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LT.-COL. McDONELL'S REPORT ON THE CAPTURE OF OGDENSBURG, N.Y., 22nd FEBRUARY, 1913.

Prescott, Feb. 25th, 1913.

To Noah Freer, Mil. Secy.

Sir—In my hasty dispatch of the 22nd inst., I was unable to detail the operations of that day. I now have the honor to acquaint you for the information of His Excellency the Commander of the Forces, that, immediately on his departure from this port on that morning, I commenced my arrangements for the demonstration he had authorized me to make, by drawing in my night pickets, and to gain time, made my disposition for the movement without waiting for the troops of the line to take off their watch coats, which I afterwards much regretted, when I found the depth of the snow on the enemy's shore. My principal column on the left consisted of about 120 men of the King's Regiment and 30 of the Newfoundland, with about 230 of the Militia.

My right column was composed of the right flank company of the Glengarry Light Infantry and 70 Militia. It was commanded by Captain Jenkins of the Glengarry Regiment. I advanced with my principal column in front of the enemy's right, as did my other corps on his left, on the signal of a gun, which I fired, with a view, principally to rouse the enemy, that I might judge from his appearance of the propriety of an assault. It was past seven o'clock when I began to cross the river. I could plainly discover with glasses that the enemy's force would prove no obstacle, compared with the advantage attending success, which the confidence I had in the gallantry of my troops convinced me would be the result. As I advanced, I conceived additional hopes of success and determined on the assault. My advance guard consisting of the company of the Newfoundland and Volunteer Light Company of the Militia, moved quickly on under the command of Staff Adjutant Ridge of the King's Regiment, and was followed by the detachment of the King's Regiment under Capt. Eustace, and the Militia under Colonel Frazer and Capt. LeBlanc of the Newfoundland Regiment. The enemy's advanced battery opened on the flank of this column,

which was soon after exposed to the direct fire of grape and canister shot from a twelve, nine, and six pounder. Here the depth of snow, and this commanding position of the enemy's line of musketry gave him a great advantage of fire. Being determined to carry everything with the bayonet, I pushed on my advance, which was gallantly led on by Staff Adjutant Ridge and nobly supported by Captain Eustace and the detachment of the King's, and well followed up by the Militia. The advance took the guns in front and the King's rushed up a parallel street to flank them, and driving the enemy's infantry carried the guns, one of which was turned upon them. Giving them in charge of a division of the Militia, the column pushed the enemy through the main street leading to the bridge over the Black River, under a galling fire from the windows, and from the guns in the old Fort, when it had gained the high bank of this river.

The men being much fatigued, and out of breath, I then halted and lined the height with the King's Regiment, keeping a reserve of Militia in column and detaching small parties on my left flank to dislodge the enemy from the houses and woods. My field pieces now came up from the bank of the St. Lawrence, where we had left them sticking in the snow, and were ably directed by Ensign Mackay of the Glengarry Light Infantry, and Ensign Kerr of the Militia, and the Royal and Militia Artillery. It required some rounds of grape and round shot to silence the musketry from the windows. I now detached my advance and a company of Militia to take a twelve pounder on the eastern battery near the large store, which they soon effected. In the interim my right column, gallantly led on by Capt. Jenkins at the head of his own company in advance in extended order, and supported by his Militia as a reserve. He kept pace with my column and moved on as rapidly as the snow, which had drifted very deep the preceding evening, would allow him. In their eagerness to reach the enemy they also lost breath, but notwithstanding pushed on bravely in face of a very heavy fire of five guns, and when he had gallantly led them on to within charging distance, he fixed bayonets and pushed forward, but had not proceeded many paces when his left arm (which he has since lost), was smashed to pieces

with a grape shot and his right was immediately after severely lacerated with canister, but he still ran on, cheering his men to the attack while his arms dangled useless before him, and becoming faint with loss of blood, he was compelled to stop. His company continued to advance, with Lieutenant Macaulay and Ensign McDonald, but the reserve, not being able to keep up with them, and being quite exhausted, they were compelled to fall back about the time that my column gained the height on the other flank. Having soon formed my storming party, I sent in a flag to the fort to require an immediate surrender on pain of being put to the bayonet. The enemy refused to comply without more fighting. I immediately ordered a charge, and Captain Eustace with Ensigns Powell and Lowrie and his men gallantly rushed on to the charge, covered by a three pounder under Ensign Kerr, but the men, cheering loudly, prevented my orders being distinctly heard, to keep the road which led to the proper declivity to descend to the river. This, however, enabled me to form them in a better manner, with the company of the Newfoundland and Glengarry Militia, under cover of a large building, and again they pushed on and entered the fort, just as the enemy had evacuated it, on the opposite side, and was returning to the woods. If Captain Skinner and the Indians had not been detached in the morning as an escort to His Excellency, I would have employed him in intercepting the enemy on his retreat, and would thus have unquestionably captured the whole garrison, which retreated that day fourteen miles, leaving officers and 70 men prisoners. The enemy's force consisted of about 500 men, including Militia. The action lasted about one hour and a half. The gallantry displayed by all ranks under my command was highly gratifying. The regular troops, including the Royal Artillery, maintained the high character of their respective corps, and their example was nobly followed by the Militia. I was well supported by Colonel Frazer of the same corps, who joined me towards the close of the action, and I am indebted to Captain LeBlanc for his active superintendence of his force to which I had attached him, and for his occasional service at the artillery. The officers of the King's Regiment have my warmest commendation. The name of Ensign Powell, who was wounded by a bayonet, was omitted in the return I had the honor of forwarding to you. I cannot sufficiently admire the heroic bravery of Captain Jenkins, who speaks in such high terms of his gallant company, that I am convinced they would themselves have carried the fort, had not been disabled. Lieutenant Gaugueben of the Royal Engineers rendered essential service in bringing up the reserve of this column after his gun had been disabled by a shot from the enemy. I must not omit to mention the brave conduct of the Newfoundland company, who had no officer of that regiment with them, and led the advance guard. Having dislodged the enemy from the houses and woods, I detached the Indians, whom the cannonade had brought back to me, to pursue him but without effect. I took the position and emptying the magazine burnt the old and new barracks, together with two schooners and the gun boats, etc., and in a few hours evacuated the town after carrying off all the ordnance, commissariat and marine stores, and a quantity of camp equipment and clothing.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your humble and obedient servant, G. McDONELL, Lieut.-Col.

LIST OF KILLED AND WOUNDED IN THE ATTACK ON OGDENSBURG, N.Y., 22nd FEBRUARY, 1913.

Royal Artillery—1 rank and file killed.
King's Regiment—1 Sergeant killed; 12 rank and file wounded.
Newfoundland Regt.—1 rank and file killed; 4 rank and file wounded.
Glengarry Light Infantry—2 rank and file killed; 1 Lt.-Col., 1 Captain, 1 Lieut., 2 Sergeants, 7 rank and file wounded.
Militia—2 rank and file killed; 1 Captain, 3 Subalterns, 1 Sergeant and 15 rank and file wounded.
Total—1 Sergeant, 6 rank and file killed; 1 Lt.-Col., 2 Captains, 4 Subalterns, 3 Sergeants and 38 rank and file wounded.

NAMES OF OFFICERS WOUNDED.

Glengarry Light Infantry—Lt.-Col. McDonald, Captain Jenkins severely, Lieut. McKay.
Militia—Capt. J. McDonald, Lieut. Emery severely, Lieut. McLean and Lieut. McDermott.
(Signed) JAMES ROWAN, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General.

Fashions and Fads.

Black-and-silver ribbon belts a fluffy frock of apple green chiffon. A novel sports skirt is of cotton mottelasse quilted like a counterpane. A frock of grey crepe de chine has panels outlined in yellow ribbon. High collars and lacy jabots will be worn with severely-cut tweed suits.
Spring will see many dresses of

spotted silk veiled with solid colored chiffon.
Satin frocks show wide girdles and large collars of some flowered material.
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ered in white jet are combined for evening gowns.
A corn-colored frock of linen has bindings of black kid hand-painted in red, green and blue.
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For sports wear a smart combination is the pleated silk or flannel skirt and a black Angora sweater.
A costume of blue duvetyne has short sleeves terminating in puffs of black satin and monkey fur.
A bolero jacket suit of beige rep is lined with blue, red and beige jersey, and embroidered to match.
The street costume may be straight from shoulders to hem in front, but

must be belted in the back.
With a pleated skirt of dark blue crepe is worn a coat of henna crepe de chine, embroidered in blue and silver.
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