

hostile savages by whom I was surrounded and who frequently threatened my life, notwithstanding which I would have effected their emancipation, as well as several soldiers of the 41st Regiment taken prisoners on the 5th of Oct., 1813, had I been allowed to return by the same route, and which was, I believe, General Harrison's principal reason for having detained me, and although I regret much having missed the opportunity of bringing those men, yet I am in a great measure compensated by the valuable information I obtained of the situation of the navy on that lake."

LeBreton on this trip also learned of the location and strength of the American Forts at Detroit and of a very large depot of supplies of every description for the Western American Army, which were unknown to the British Authorities, and which he was of opinion could be easily captured. With boyish enthusiasm he writes,—

"Should His Excellency be pleased to authorize me to raise a Company, I am very certain of being able to accomplish it in the course of three months from amongst those men before alluded to, as they are all British subjects and a great proportion of them Scotchmen. I would require for this purpose, the assistance of about five or six of the Western Indians and two non-commissioned officers, Scotchmen if possible".

In a report by Lieut.-Col. Tucker of a minor engagement in 1813, referring to LeBreton and another, he says,—

"These officers afforded me the greatest satisfaction,—their conduct was conspicuous to all".

Shortly afterwards he was appointed on the Quarter-Master General's Staff. In the Battle of Lundys Lane in July 1814, he was severely wounded. Lt.-General Drummond in his report on this battle writes,—

"Major Maule and Lieut. LeBreton of the Quarter-Master General's Department were extremely useful to me,—the latter was severely wounded".

This wound prevented LeBreton from engaging in any further operations and in 1815 he applied for leave to return to England which was granted. Before sailing he received the follow-