

lodgings up the little river, but finding the rear of the army not yet arrived, I betook myself back to my last night's lodging, where I fared exceedingly well. Col. Arnold was now in the rear of the army.

*Friday 29.*—In search of the army, I again came down to the fort, but the rear not coming up, I returned again to my hospitable lodgings. During all this time the batteaux were coming up and going over the falls. These falls are called Tacunnick. The rapid water is the distance of about half a mile, past which all our batteaux, camp equipage, &c., was carried by hand. By this time several of our batteaux began to leak profusely, made of green pine, and that in the most slight manner. Water being shoal and rocks plenty, with a very swift current most of the way, soon ground out many of the bottoms.

*Saturday 30.*—Ere this, my batteau had arrived at the fort, in such a shattered condition, that I was obliged to purchase another, or not proceed by water without destroying my medicines, stores, &c. I purchased a more portable well built one, seasoned, &c., fit for the business, for which I gave four dollars. This day I received orders to proceed as the rear of the army had arrived at the fort. I accordingly engaged Mr. Howard's team, put my bark, freight, &c., on board his cart, and carried it from his house over across the land to Cenebec.

*Sunday, Oct. 1.*—I was now seven miles above Fort Halifax, and for the first time encamped upon the ground, the last evening. Morgan's division were still forward. Here in my little rural hut I received orders this morning to tarry till Col. Enos' division came up. Col. Greene commanded one battalion and Col. Enos the other, both Lieut. Cols. Boats were now continually passing by us when I impatiently waited the coming of the last division. My boat's crew consisted of three Englishmen, sailors, one old Swiss, and a young Scotchman, a deserter from the British army at Boston; as indeed all the rest were deserters from them at different places. This day I spent in marching up and down the river to see the progress of the army passing the rapids. The river for about two miles was exceeding swift, water shoal, &c. Every batteaux crew were obliged to take to the water. Some to the painter, and others heaving at the stern. In these rapids the water was in general waistband high. With their united efforts, the stream was so violent as many times to drive them back after ten or twelve fruitless attempts in pulling and heaving with the whole boats crew.\*

*Monday 2.*—Yet was I in possession of my little hut, waiting for the rear division. When an express came from up the river about nine miles in quest of my going to see a sick soldier.

\*Henry's Campaign, p. 31.

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