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*The Declaration of James Crawford and
Edward Brooks.*

James Crawford and Edward Brooks belonging to a Company of Men employed to clear *Wood Creek* for making a free Passage from *Schenectady* to *Oswego*, declare that they left *Oswego* the 3d of *July* last, that there was about fourteen hundred Troops, and about one hundred Carpenters there at that Time, and the Garrison was very healthy, there being not more than four or five Men then ill; that there was a strong picketed Fort on the North Side of the River *Oswego* called Fort *Ontario* mounted with several Pieces of Cannon and Swivels, and was garrisoned with about three or four hundred Men; that there was likewise three Vessels in Lake *Ontario* well fitted, and two more to be launched that Day they came away; in three Days after they left *Oswego* the Snow then on the Stocks was likewise to be launched, and that at the great Carrying-place was twenty-four Cannon six Pounders for the aforesaid Vessels which was brought there the twenty-fourth of *July*, and remained there for
Colonel