

of the 18th, enclosing extracts of General Order. We are preparing a new set of abstracts for the February two-monthly period, to replace those taken by the enemy.

I now proceed to give you a short detail of our unfortunate expedition to Fort Meigs and Sandusky. We set off from Amherstburg with 300 troops and between 3,000 and 4,000 Indians, in high expectation of doing something great. On our landing at the rapids, our General's first camp was about two miles from the fort, but two days after he moved to within about a mile and a half, where he remained seven days. During these nine days the Indians wanted him to throw some shells into the fort and make use of his great guns and attempt to sap the fort, telling him at the same time that although they were starving they would second him in everything he would undertake. He, however, proposed going up to Sandusky, which the Indians opposed with all their might, saying that if he went there, they would return to their families and stand between them and danger, should the Americans sally out of the fort. He still continuing determined on his purpose, the Indians set off homewards, all but 200 of our Indians and some of Mr. Dickson's.

He then fell into a rage with me, and said that I had been guilty of treachery, for which he would report me to the Commander of the Forces, and I should be personally responsible for the failure of the expedition.

We set off accordingly to Sandusky, and in

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[A curious parchment, of which the following is a copy, was recently shewn to me by a well-known antiquarian in this city.—Ed.]

Nous, Chefs des différents Tributs Sauvages du District de Montréal, dans la Province du Bas Canada, Promettons et Jurons que nous serons fidel et que nous garderons vraiment comme bon sujèts, notre allegiance à Sa Majesté Bri-