

My order of march over from Presque Isle was as follows :

“ The boats to row two deep ; first, Major Rogers’s boat, abreast of him Capt. Croghan ; Capt. Campbell follows with his company, the Rangers next ; and lastly, Lieutenant Holmes, who commands the rear-guard, with his own boat, and that of Ensign Wait’s, so as to be ready to assist any boat that may be in distress. Boats in distress are to fire a gun, when Mr. Holmes with the other boats under his command are immediately to go to their relief, take them to the shore, or give such other assistance as he thinks may be best. When the wind blows hard, so that the boats cannot keep their order, a red flag will be hoisted in the Major’s boat ; then the boats are not to mind their order, but put after the flag as fast as possible to the place of landing, to which the flag-boat will always be a guide.

“ It is recommended to the soldiers as well as officers, not to mind the waves of the lake ; but when the surf is high to stick to their oars, and the men at helm to keep the boat quartering on the waves, and briskly follow, then no mischief will happen by any storm whatever. Ten of the best steersmen amongst the Rangers are to attend Captain Campbell and