

board their respective batteaus, eighteen men in each. The whale-boats were mann'd by the batteau men, and detachments from the different corps of Provincials; they proceeded in front, the regulars next, and the provincials followed, in the order in which they were loaded. In this manner we advanced to the Spack Bergh, about four miles from Canada Creek; which with the greatest difficulty we reach'd by sun-set, meeting with the utmost obstruction from the trees, which had fallen a-crofs the creek, and in many places entirely block'd up its passage; these we were oblig'd to cut away, to make an opening for our boats: by the addition of the waters from Canada Creek, this part of the Wood Creek has a considerable depth; its navigation will, however, always be attended with difficulties, arising from its not being above fifty yards wide, and the trees falling a-crofs from each side; unless all the woods on its banks should be cleared off; and even then, from its extream serpentine course, and the rapidity of the current, it will ever remain an unpleasant navigation:

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