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The Duke of York to Sir George Prevost.

HORSE GUARDS, 10th August, 1813.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your despatches dated the 1st, 3d, 15th and 23d of June, presented to me by the hands of your aide-de-camp, Major, now Lieut.-Col. McDouall.

I have derived great satisfaction from your report of the conduct of the troops under your command in the enterprise against Sackett's Harbor, detailed in your despatch of the 1st of June, and the judicious arrangements you adopted for the conduct of that service as a diversion in favor of the force under Major-General Vincent demand my full approbation.

It is with peculiar satisfaction also that I have received your report of the successful result of an attack made by a division of the army under the latter officer, upon the advanced camp of the enemy upon the 6th June. The judgment and talent evinced by the conception of that gallant enterprise, and the glorious conduct of the troops in carrying it into execution against a greatly superior force, are too conspicuous to fail of meeting with that approval which valor and discipline must ever receive.

I am therefore authorized by His Royal Highness the Prince Regent to desire that you will be pleased to convey to Major-General Vincent, Lt.-Col. Harvey and the officers and men composing the the brave detachment which has signalized itself upon this occasion, the thanks of His Royal Highness in my name for their judicious and gallant conduct.

In considering the limited means placed in your hands as opposed to the more immediate and efficient resources of the enemy, I cannot but feel the difficulty attending the arduous service entrusted to your guidance, and which you have so forcibly represented in your despatch of the 23d June. I have every reliance, however, in your zeal, judgment and activity, being convinced that these qualities, aided by the superior discipline and gallantry of His Majesty's troops, will not