

battle which took place, on the 18th of August, between the islands of Sudzala and Worzella, he was the chief cause of the victory over the enemy, whom they accidentally met with, and whose force was thrice as great as their's, as may be seen in the printed account of this battle; in which among other things, it is stated, " Captain Seliwanow reports to the commander-in-chief, with particular gratitude, the courage of the whole division, and bestows the highest commendations on Lieutenant Chwostoff, who is a model of incredible bravery. Regardless of the shower of grape shot, and not deterred by seeing four gun-boats sink under him, and of six rowers only one left, he continued to advance, and defeated the enemy. The same praises are bestowed on his courage by the commanders of the land forces. All those under his command extol him, and wherever he shewed himself his presence inspired every one with fresh courage."

It is well known that when the commander-in-chief heard the cannonade, and was thus informed of the approach of the superior force of the enemy, who was not thought to be so near, he gave up all our gun-boats for lost; but when the division returned, and Chwostoff brought the account of the victory, his joy went so far, that passing, just at the moment, by the principal guard, which turned out to present arms, he exclaimed,