

To Mr. Hackett, acting Staff Surgeon to this army, I feel myself particularly indebted for his judicious arrangement by which the wounded have received every attention, and are, most of them, likely to be restored to the service.

It would be an act of injustice, were I to omit assuring your Excellency, that gallantry and discipline were never more conspicuous than during our late short service, and I feel the greatest satisfaction in assuring you that every officer and individual seemed anxious to rival each other in his efforts to support the honour of His Majesty's arms and to maintain the high character of British troops.

On leaving this position to march against the enemy, it was immediately occupied by Lt.-Col. Bisschopp, with detachments of the 41st Regt., Glengarry and Newfoundland, and militia and the artillery under Major Holcroft, who were in a situation to move towards my support, or to either flank, as circumstances might require.

I directed Capt. Fowler, the Dept. A.Q.M.G., to remain in the rear, with a view of reconnoitring the country, collecting the resources and keeping open the communication.

I am happy to assure your Excellency that had any extreme case happened, I felt the fullest confidence in the zeal and exertions of those officers for making the most judicious arrangements.

I beg leave to refer your Excellency to the enclosed reports for particulars respecting our loss, which I regret to say has been very severe.

I have the honour, &c.,

JOHN VINCENT,
Brig.-Gen.

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