

in great numbers against the boats of Columbia that were upon the waters of the lakes about the city.*

12 Now these small vessels of Columbia were commanded by Thomas, a brave man, whose sir-name was Jones, and he gave them hindrance.

13 Nevertheless, in the space of about two hours, the boats of Columbia were captured by the vessels of Britain, one after another, until they were all taken: however, the mariners of Columbia fought well, and gained great praise; and the loss of the king was about three hundred.

14 Now the capture of the gun-boats of the United States upon these waters encouraged the servants of the king, so they began to land their mighty army upon the shores of Columbia in great multitudes from their boats:

15 And they pitched their tents, and cast up fortifications, and prepared to assail the strong hold of Jackson, the chief captain.

16 And, that the host of Britain might be discomfited at the onset, Jackson went out with his army against them; but the men of war of the king were twofold greater than the men of Columbia, so Jackson was unable to drive them away.

17 However, he fought bravely against them, and slew numbers of them; albeit, the slain and maimed of Columbia were about two hundred; so Jackson drew back to his entrenchments, and strengthened himself there.

* *Lakes Borgne and Ponchartrain.*