

Benedict Arnold's Regimental Memorandum Book.

ing the Kings troops, and that there was 300 Regulars at St. Johns ——— &c at 7. P. M. anchored opposite point Aroach.¹

Tuesday June 6th. At 4. A. M. weighed Anchor, at 8 passed Point Asen,² at 10. AM. Anchored off Hospital Island 62 Leagues from St. Johns, sent a Battoe, 20 men, in search one swivei, &c &c Cannon 8 men, the two latter as advanced Guard to the Aux Noix with directions to get all possible intelligence, and in the night to proceed within two miles of St. Johns, and, if possible to take any party sent out from there. Employed a number of hands on shore baking bread at night, but of Capt. Varnums with 4 men to go on the east side of the Lake opposite St. Johns and discover the ——— town of ———³

1775. *Wednesday June 7.* Motions of the enemy at 4. P. M. The large Battoes returned from there, the small canoes having proceeded within one mile of St. Johns. Was informed there was 300 Regulars and soon after they were chased by a Battoe and obliged to return. And they also informed us that the Regulars were determined to pay us a visit the next day, sent out 3 small boats, different scouts, for intelligence and put ourselves in the best position of defence.

Friday⁴ June 8th. At 8 A. M. our small yawl came in from St. Johns and informed us that they lay three hours opposite the barracks, where the Regulars to the number of 300. men were entrenching. Our people fired two shot at them which was returned by the whole body.

N. B. Wind has been strong to southward for three days.

All hands employed baking Bread, getting Timber for Oars, &c, N. B. Gave one bbl: of Flour to Monsieur Conderet who brought a party of our men to C'n Point, who had their boat taken away.

Friday June 9th. At 5. A. M. weighed anchor for C'n Point, Schooner & two large Battoes. Left one battoe with one sergeant and two men to bring off a French Family. At 9. met Capt. Brown from the Congress, Lt. John Graham with 12. men from Saratoga, the remainder of his party left

¹ de Roche Fendu.

² Possibly Isle Ash in the river St. Johns.

³ End of page 3 of manuscript.

⁴ Thursday.