

fortified and secured the Pass at *Oneida* as 1756.
strongly as was possible.

It has been before observed, that on the 12th of *August* General *Webb* marched from *Schenectada* with the 44th Regiment, Battomen, &c. destined for *Oswego*.

The * Commanding Officer at the *Great* Aug. 17.
Carrying-place received the first News of *Oswego's* being taken, and immediately dispatch'd an Account of it by Express to General *Webb*, who was then advanced as far as the *German Flats*, and in the mean time made what Preparations he could for defending that Pass at *Oneida*, where there then was about 500 Troops posted.

He received Orders from General *Webb*, in Aug. 19.
Answer to his Letter, to employ as large a Party as he could spare in obstructing the Passage of the *Wood Creek* for 24 Miles, by felling of Trees across it.

Some *Indians* complained to the Command- Aug. 20.
ing Officer at the *Carrying-place* of this Proceeding; which they observed was stopping the Communication between them and their Brethren of the Five Nations, and asked, whether the *English* intended to forsake them, and give them up to the *French*.

On the same Day, a few Hours after this Complaint was made, General *Webb* arrived at the *Oneida Carrying-place*, with the 44th Regiment, and Part of the three Independent

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