

gallant style. Colonel Pearson, commanding the right of the British line, ordered two flank companies of the Royals and 100th regiment to join the militia under the command of the brave Major Secord ; they immediately attacked General Porter's volunteers and drove them back to the American line, notwithstanding they contested the ground in a most gallant manner : the British militia and flank companies fell back and joined the right of their own army. The action now commenced in general in a most determined manner on both sides, and continued for about two hours. The British Artillery annoying the Americans very much, their troops were ordered to charge the artillery, but the 19th Light Dragoons were also ordered to charge for the purpose of covering the artillery, and they did so and drove the Americans back. The limber of one of the British guns—a brass 24 pounder—was shot off. The action became desperate on both sides and the 100th and Royals were ordered to charge ; they did so, but the American army being so many more in number the British had to give way. General Riall came up with the 8th regiment which he had kept in reserve, but finding it impossible to stand his ground he ordered a retreat, and covered it in the most gallant manner with the assistance of the 19th Light Dragoons. The British retreated to Chippawa, and crossing