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DIARY OF EPHRAIM SQUIER

SERGEANT IN THE CONNECTICUT LINE
OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY

*From the Original MS. in the Pension Office at
Washington*

Communicated by Frank Squier

PRELIMINARY NOTE.—Sundry declarations and documents filed in the Pension Office at Washington in the year 1832, in compliance with the Act of Congress regulating pensions, passed June 7th of that year, give the following particulars of the revolutionary services of the author of this diary :

Ephraim Squier, son of Philip Squier and Elizabeth his wife, was born at Ashford, in the county of Windham, Connecticut, on the 9th February, 1847-8. On the 20th or 21st of April, 1775, he volunteered in Ashford in the alarm of Lexington, in the company under the command of Captain Thomas Knowlton. This marched to Charlestown, where in May Captain Knowlton had a Captain's commission from the Connecticut Assembly sent him ; he enlisted under him and served until some time in June, when he enlisted into one artillery company, commanded by Captain Collander, and was in the battle of Bunker Hill. Sometime after the battle he returned to the Ashford company again, and served until July, when, by agreement, he went into a company at Roxbury, under Captain Pomeroy, in Colonel Fellows' regiment, in which he served until the 7th of September, when he signed to go under Lieut. James Sprague, of Capt. Scott's company, to Quebec in the expedition of Colonel Benedict Arnold, up the Kennebec river.

The rear detachment, under Col. Eno, was obliged to return back to Cambridge, where it arrived the 25th of November. He then returned to Capt. Pomeroy's company, at Preston's Point, where he served until the 25th of March, 1776, a period of eleven months.

The 1st of April, 1776, he volunteered in the Militia, and went to New London and Groton in Capt. Hendee's company, and served three months. On the 15th of August the militia was ordered thence to New York, where he served, at White Plains, Northcastle and the vicinity, in Capt. Hindee's company, three months. About the last of November Capt. Hindee's company was ordered to march to Providence, Rhode Island, where he served three months, into the year 1777.

The 4th December, 1777, he marched for Albany with Capt. Isaac Stone, of Col. Jonathan Latimore's regiment, and joined the Northern army at Stillwater, where he served in Gen. Poor's brigade, of Gen. Arnold's division, at the capture of Gen. Burgoyne ; at this time he served two months.

In his declaration, from which the preceding is almost textually copied, he says that the journal of the two campaigns from which the diary is extracted was kept at the time.

He was invited to be present at the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the Bunker Hill monument in 1825. He died August 19th, 1841.

EDITOR

I

THE QUEBEC EXPEDITION

September the 7th, Anno Domini 1775
This instant set out for Cambridge.

Went and signed to go under Lieut. James Sprague, for Quebec, and returned to Dorchester, the same day.

8th.—Went to Cambridge, to join our Company, stayed all this day and over night.

9th.—To-day we paraded in order to draw clothing, and returned again to Dorchester.

10th.—Sunday. This morning early set out for Cambridge, in order to march for Quebec, paraded on Cambridge Common. Being not ready to-day, tarried at Cambridge.

11th.—This morning paraded on the old spot, in order to march for Quebec, but refused to march till we had a month's pay, so we stayed still in Cambridge, to-day.

12th.—Early this morning, paraded again in order to march, but still not ready, we pitched our tents on Cambridge Commons.

13th.—To-day, the sun about two hours high, in the afternoon, set out for Quebec. Marched to Mystick, lodged in the Meeting House, three miles from Cambridge.

14th.—This morning set out for Mistick. Went through Malden, Lynn, into Danvers, sixteen miles from Mistick.

15th.—This morning early set out from Danvers, went to Beverly, there eat breakfast, then marched through Wenham, Ipswich, into Rowley, there staid.

16th.—Marched this morning to Newburyport, there we pitched our tents.

17th.—Sunday. Our Regiment marched to Meeting.

18th.—To-day, towards night, went on board the Schooner "Swallow."

19th.—This morning about 8 o'clock, hoisted Anchor, made sail, run aground in the harbor. We then got into Boats, went aboard the Schooner "Hannah," then set out for Kennebec, the wind fair, soon blew up a storm, which made the most of us very sea sick. Run 'till 10 o'clock, at night. Hove too against the mouth of the ———

20th.—Early this morning, went into the mouth of the river, cast anchor, lay 'till just night, then hoisted anchor, went up the river 3 miles, cast anchor.

21st.—Hoisted Anchor, went up the river to Swan Island, run aground, lay 'till nine o'clock at night, got off, went up about a mile, cast anchor.

22^d.—Weighed Anchor, went up to Capt. Cabens, nine miles below Fort Western, then took Battooes along up to Fort Western. Went two miles, staid at one Nan Crosses, a private house.

23^d.—Set out this morning, went up to Fort Western, there made us a Board Camp, wood cut very handy.

24th.—Sunday. Last night a man was shot at a Public house, about half a mile above here. One Rydre is taken on suspicion, confined 'till night, then set at liberty, then taken a man belonging to Capt. Gutteridge's Company and confined.

25th.—To-day the General Court Marshall set, Examined the man and evidence. He confessed he shot the gun; saith he was in liquor. The man that was buried to-day, died yesterday, he belonged to Norwich, in Connecticut, his name was Bishop. Lieut. Gray arrived here to-day with an express from Cambridge, for us to push forward with all speed.

26th.—To-day the Criminal was took to the gallows, Conducted by a strong Guard, with a Halter about his neck, placed on the stage, under the gallows, was reprieved 'till General Washington could see him, put him in irons and ordered to be sent to Cambridge.

27th.—This day was whipped and drummed out for stealing, One Love belonging to Capt. Scott's Company. Three more was whipped; all fresh men. One more stripped for letting a prisoner go, that was sentenced to be whipped, 33 for stealing, an Irishman.

28th.—To-day paraded in order to march. Being not ready taried. To-day was severely whipped for theft, 33 lashes, an Irishman, that run from the Century the night before last.

29th.—This day set out with our Battooes, up the river. I went alone in one. We went seven miles and camped.

30th.—Went up the river six miles. I went by land, and camped by the bank of the river. So this month we ended.

October 1st, or now Sunday, the first day we marched five miles to Fort Halifax. I went by land cross Sebesticook river to Fort Halifax, went $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile up the river to the carrying place, carried by; this was the first carrying place. We carried about 50 rods.

2d.—Went up the river five miles above the five miles Rips. Camped on the Bank of the river. Our Battooes not up. I went over to Sebesticook, stayed over night.

3d.—This morning early, set out went back to our Camp, went up six miles and camped. I went by land to-day.

4th.—This morning early, set out went up the river, six miles to Scowheganfalls,

carried by, camped. I went by land to-day.

5th.—This morning set out early, went up the river six miles. Camped just above Bumbezee Rips. I went by land to-day.

6th.—This Morning early, set out, went up to Noridgewalk, 7 miles, the last mile rapid. I went by water, to-day took out, carried some of our loading by this carrying place. Was a mile and a half.

7th.—To-day we finished carrying by the falls. Moved to the upper end and camped.

8th.—Sunday. A very rainy day and we no shelter. We are now beyond all inhabitants. To-night it ceases raining.

9th.—This Morning early, embarked aboard our Battooes, set out from Noridgewalk falls, went nine miles, the land appeared to be very good. Water very rapid. I went by water to-day. Camped on the Bank of the river.

10th.—Early this morning embarked aboard our Battooes. Went nine miles up to the Divell's Falls, carried by and camped. This carrying place is about 40 Rods. I went by water.

11th.—This morning set out. I went by land. Marched 18 or 19 miles and camped, two miles below the great carrying place. Our Battooes, behind, some miles behind. We drew provisions out of Capt. McCobb's Battooes, for to-night.

12th.—This morning went up to the great carrying place, drew provisions, two of our Battooes came up to-day.

13th.—This morning a large Cow Moose came within two rods of our camp. Cold squalls of snow to-day, one of our Battooes came up to-day. Carried

over to the Pond, three of our Battooes, to-day 3 miles and $\frac{1}{2}$.

14th.—Last night a man was wounded by the fall of a tree they had made a fire against, one Buck, belonging to Capt. McCobb's company.

14th.—To-day the man that was wounded, by the fall of tree last night, died of the wounds he received. Something rainy, and we in the woods and no shelter.

15th.—Sunday. Ceases raining. Our company are called together to carry over our provisions and Battooes. Carried over the greater part to-night. It is very rainy and we no shelter but the Heavens. We carried seven Battooes to the Pond.

16th.—To-day we finished carrying over to the first Pond, and carried across to the other side half a mile and carried to the 2d Pond $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile. Dark and cold, when we came there and short on it for wood, so we camped and but little fire.

17th.—This morning we finished carrying across and crossed the 2d Pond half a mile. Carried across to the 3d Pond, three miles and very bad way as ever I see, camped by the side of the Pond.

18th.—Crossed the 3d Pond this morning, which is a mile and a half across. Carried part of our loading over to the creek that leads into Dead River five miles; 3 and a half very bad way and a mile and a half a hundred times worse, this last mile and a half a sunken mire hole.

19th.—This morning early it begins to rain and we no shelter, and are obliged to go to carry over our Battooes, and

Barrells, the way muddy and slippery, hard for poor soldiers, that have to work hard in the rains and cold, and to wade a mile and a half knee deep in water and mud, cold enough and after night, to camp in the rain without any shelter.

20th.—Last night it was very rainy and continues raining hard all day, however we got all our loading over to the brook that leads into Dead River, and put into the brook half a mile from Dead River, and went up Dead River 3 miles and camped on the bank of the river. Continues raining hard all this day. I went by land to-day, the river very dead as far as we went to-day.

21st.—Last night likewise was very rainy and continues raining exceedingly hard all day. I went by water to-day. Went 18 miles, we had one carrying place of 5 rods, the first in Dead River. The river not so rapid as Kennebec, and the wind in our favor, and a windier nor a rainier day I never see. We went 'till almost night, then went ashore to camp, and at length with utmost difficulty kindled us a fire, but could not take much comfort, the wind blowed so high and rained so hard 'till bout 10 or 11 o'clock at night, when the river raises so high that it obliged us to retreat from our fire, the water next morning 4 feet deep where we made our fire, the river raised, we judge, 12 feet, so windy that it was dangerous being in the woods.

22^d.—Sunday. Continued raining 'till 12 o'clock last night, then some stars appeared. We very glad to see them as we had not seen sun, moon or stars for some days. Early this morn-

ing embarked on board our Battooes. Set out up the river, the sun appears this morning. Looks warm, I went by water to-day, went 10 miles and camped, the river high and rapid, the water so high we went over one carrying place; we staid behind the rest of our company, except Lieut. Sprague, with his Battooe and hands.

23^d.—This morning early, embarked a board our Battooes, went up to the carrying place, 3 miles carried by 60 rods. Went half a mile and camped. The water very rapid, so that we were obliged to hawl up by the Brush along shore, as we did yesterday. The water still appears to be rapid, the land poor, timber green Balsome, fare plenty here.

24th.—This morning I set out by land, went up to the carrying place, one mile carried by 50 rods, then I went on Board, went up to the falls, 2 miles carried by half a mile, put into the river. Went forty rods by water to the next carrying place, carried by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, put into the river again. Went up two miles. Camped with Lieut. Sprague, and 8 more, 2 Battooes. Capt. Scott and the rest of our company encamped $4\frac{1}{2}$ forward. To night something snowy and cold.

25th.—This morning by a little after Break of day, went up to the rest of our company, there stopped till Capt. Scott, and Lieut. Sprague, went up to the Lieut.-Colonel Enos, a mile forward and we marched on, I went by land, we marched 'till 2 o'clock in the afternoon, then was ordered to march back to our camp, where we camped last night and so make the best of our way back after those that was sent off this morning.

The Colonel gave orders this morning, that as many as had a mind to return, might return, and seven out of a company must return.

26th.—This morning early embarked a board, set out down ye river, ordered to go down as far as where we encamped, the night of the 21st of this month. Not able to get so far, good part of our company staid by the way. I came by water, we had 4 or 5 carrying places to day. We run our battooes with the loading, except our pack and guns, two of us run it over all but about a rod and a half. We drawed over the rest of the fall. We carried by. One Battooe, attempting to run the first falls was stove, the men happily saved, part of a barrel of flour lost, and a box of lead. The loss of the flour much lamented, we being short of provisions. Capt. Scott went with part of the Battooes to the place. Lieut. Sprague, with his battooes stopped two miles back and we stopped with ours, it being in the night we run our Battooe against a rock and stove her so that we were obliged to put ashore and onload and there camped on the bank of the river. Very cold and frosty.

27th.—This morning early embarked on board our Battooes, went down to Capt. Scott, Lieut. Sprague stopped with two of us and a Battooe. Capt. Scott with ye rest of the company went on, we waited until about a 11 o'clock, then the two that was behind, Simeon Tyler and Asa Davisson, came up to us, we then pushed forward after the rest of our company, who were ordered to go as far as the Brook, where we put into Dead River. We had one carrying place to

day of about 5 rods, while we were carrying by. Lieut. Sprague pushed off a Battooe that was lying on the falls, he then spied two guns that was lying on the bottom of the river and we got them both out, and went on until about sun down, we came up with our foot party camp at dusk, a mile and a half behind Capt. Scott.

28th.—This morning early embarked on board our Battooes. Went to Capt. Scott, at the Brook, there went on shore and took two days provisions for each man, those that went by water took the same provisions with them.

28th.—Lieut. Sprague set out to go round with our Battooes, and about 10 or 12 more with him, said to be 45 miles round and rapid water, and about 18 or 20 across by land. I went by land, we had not marched but about 60 rods before we had to wade about a mile and a half, the water about waist high and very cold, we were obliged to break the ice the whole of the way, and had to wade a mile more where the water was over shoes, however I made out to get over to Kennebec River, to day by about dusk and Camped.

29th.—Sunday. This morning early our company was called together to go back to the creek after flour, that they intended to run round, but finding the river so rapid, was obliged to send it back. 20 of our company went back, the rest of us was ordered by the Colonel to make the best of the way to where we could get provisions, some to go by land as many could not go by water. I came by water on a Battooe, with some sick and lame to steer them down, we came down to the Divel's falls, 20 miles, carried by and camped.

30th.—This morning early embarked on board our battooes, and made the best of our way down to Noridgewalk falls, 20 miles; got there about 12 o'clock in the after Noon; carried by falls, put into the river, run the Rips to the inhabitants; one hour with me; run them very rocky and hard. We got to the inhabitants about 3 o'clock in ye afternoon, went up Sandy river a mile and a half to one James Waugh's, where there was some bread and flour sent after us and lay there. Stayed all night.

31st.—This morning I went back to the river to flings and carried some bread to those of our company that came down with us. So they set out for Fort Halifax, and I returned to Waugh's. Staid all night.

November 1st.—To day we went and carried the bread and flour to flings, returned to Waugh. Staid all night.

2^d.—This morning early set out for Fort Halifax, went down the river by water six miles, good going till we come Bumblezee Rips, here we took out and carried by, 2 men last night, attempting to run them, run on a rock and stove their Battooe, and left them both in the middle of the river, one of them made shift to get ashore, the other was drowned. One Seabrid Fitch, of Connecticut in our company. We went to Scowhegan Falls, carried by, then 2 of us run the Rips 4 miles, then the rest of our men got in and went down to one Blackden's. Staid over night.

3^d.—This morning set out, went down to the Five Mile Rips. Went over to Sebesticook, staid here over night, to day it was very snowy and rainey.

4th.—This morning set out, went down to Fort Halifax, 5 miles, drawed

provisions for 4 days to go down to Brunswick, 50 miles, went 6 miles to day. Staid at a private House.

5th.—To day went down to Fort Western, by land, here went a board with some of our company, went 3 miles. Staid at a private house. To day was Sunday.

6th.—Set out this morning early, went down to Swan Island, went by water to day, it looks very much like a storm.

7th.—This morning early embarked a Board and set out down the river, storm very hard, snow and rain, cold plenty. Went in about six miles of Brunswick, went ashore and went by land to Brunswick to Stones. Stormed hard all day, went to Capt. Dulap's about 40 rods from Stones, there staid.

8th.—To day drawed provisions here, staid at the old spot at Capt. Dulap's. None might go forward.

9th.—Staid still at Brunswick, begins to rain a little before night, looks like a storm.

10th.—This morning early, it begins to snow, and snows very hard, the snow by night about mid leg.

11th.—Cleared off to day, very cold, we are called together to draw provision to carry us to Cambridge, and drawed for five days bread and two days meat and ordered to march to morrow for Cambridge.

12th.—Sunday. This morning marched, went through North Yarmouth woods, 9 miles to any house, and very bad way, snow almost garter deep, besides very muddy, went almost to North Yarmouth meeting house, 16 miles.

13th.—Very cold to day, went as far as old Casco Bay, 16 miles, staid here

over night in houses that were forsaken by the inhabitants, here drawed provision for one day.

14th.—Marched to Stout Water Bridge, there had a team to carry our packs, went to Scarborough, 17 miles, staid at Capt. Ruisse's.

15th.—Set out to day, went to Saco, 7 or 8 miles, very stormy all this day and wet walking, and snowy. Before night a tedious storm for its time.

16th.—Set out this morning, very bad walking, snow almost knee deep here, went to day to Wells, 17 miles, here we got cider and apples plenty.

17th.—Cold and dry walking to day. I went through Cape Natic, old York into Kittere, 21 miles.

18th.—Very cold to day, I went to Piscataway, 5 M. Ordered to wait 'till the rear came up so crossed not the river to day, part went across.

19th.—Sunday, this morning crossed the river into Portsmouth, marched to Merrimack river, across into New Buryport, 24 miles.

20th.—To day drawed provisions for to carry us to Cambridge. Marched a little before night, went to Rowley, 8 miles.

21st.—This morning set out went to Lynn.

22^d.—This morning early marched to Mistic, there tarried for our Officers.

23^d.—This morning early marched to Cambridge province. Thanksgiving to day. We were dismissed. Ordered to return to our camp.

24th.—Staid at Cambridge to-day.

25th.—To day went to company at Dorchester, having taken a long and wearisome journey, returned abundantly satisfied.

II

THE NORTHERN CAMPAIGN

September the 4th, Anno Domini 1777.
—Then marched for Albany, went to Coventry to Capt. Russts.

5th.—To day marched to Hartford. Lodged in the Court House.

6th.—To day after draughting provisions, marched to Limesbury.

7th.—Sunday, marched to New Hartford, near Green Woods.

8th.—To-day marched to Cold Brook.

9th.—This day marched to Sheffield.

10th.—To day marched to Nobletown.

11th.—To day marched to Kender Hook mills.

12th.—To day marched to Greenbush to the Ferry.

13th.—To day crossed into Albany, drew ammuniton, marched to the Flates.

14th.—Sunday. To day marched to Stillwater.

15th.—To day marched and joined the army at Stillwater.

16th.—We are now in about 7 or 8 miles of the enemy and expect an engagement.

17th.—We are still kept ready for a march.

18th.—To day ordered to strike our tents at 3 o'clock P. M., and leave them and our packs and ordered to march this morning before sunrise, towards the enemy's encampment through the woods, said that the enemy are advancing upon us, however, this was not the case. We were marched in order to force the enemy's lines, but we alarmed them by some of our Riflemen firing on some of the enemy at a small distance

from their camp, took two of the enemy and wounded one.

19th.—To day ordered to strike our tents, ready for a march and kept on our arms, 'till about one o'clock in the afternoon, then a smart fire began between the enemy and our men, in about a mile and a half of our encampment. Our men overpowered them and took 250 of the enemy and they retreated, the firing ceased for about $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour, then the enemy had a reinforcement sent them and the fire began again smarter than ever, our reinforcing our party as well as they, both kept reinforcing 'till night. Our Regiment went out, the sun about an hour high. Marched 'till the sun half an hour high, when the enemy fired on us, we lost out of our Regiment 8 or nine killed and 30 wounded.

20th.—To day ordered to strike our tents at 3 o'clock P.M. hourly expecting the enemy to force our lines.

21st.—Sunday. Much expecting the enemy, struck tents ready to march.

22d.—We still expect the enemy.

23d.—To day about 12 P. M. we are alarmed by the enemy's firing.

24th.—To day ordered to strike our tents.

25th.—This morning early, a fire of small arms began alarm, but soon ceased.

26th.—Nothing remarkable happened to-day.

27th.—Ditto.

28th.—Sunday. This morning alarm, then calm, the Regt. of the day.

29th.—Nothing remarkable to day.

30th.—This morning alarm, then calm.

October 1st.—Nothing remarkable to day happened.

2*d.*—Nothing special to day.

3*d.*—Nothing remarkable to day.

4*th.*—Alarm to day. Nobody hurt.

5*th.* Sunday, this afternoon marched to meeting, heard a sermon preached from the words, viz: "Return to the stronghold ye prisoners of hope."

6*th.*—This morning ordered to march for a covering party, before breakfast, marched to Salatoga, about a 1000 men to [] No provisions with us, got lost, staid out all night. Rain and cold. No sleep to day and night. Obligated to be still, being just by the enemy.

7*th.*—This morning early marched to our camp, got in about 10 o'clock, about 2 o'clock in the afternoon alarm, about 3 a fire began within a mile of our loins, the enemy soon retreated, our men pursuing, drove them from their out side loins, took from them 8 pieces of Brass Cannon and field pieces, 2 of 12 pounders, 6 of 6 pounders with ammunition, so left them after dark.

8*th.*—This morning early our men marched out in order to cut off the retreat of enemy, but they lay still in their camp to day, and our men returned to camp.

9*th.*—To day I went on the Picket. Rained to day, last night the enemy left their camp, sick and wounded.

10*th.*—To day our people marched after the enemy.

11*th.*—To day struck our tents to march up to our army. Marched to Salatoga.

12*th.*—Staid by our Baggage, near the Meeting House. Sunday.

13*th.*—To day went over to the left wing of our army, about 3 miles.

14*th.*—Orders to-day that there shall

be no firing, 'till after sundown. Our people and the enemy's covers together, flaggs pass to and from the enemy, the contents unknown to us at present.

15*th.*—Orders this morning again not to fire on the enemy, 'till farther orders, at 12 o'clock orders to parade under arms and to rest on their arms 'till farther orders. At about 4 o'clock, the agreeable news came so that it was credited, that the enemy had resigned themselves into our hands, and that our people was bringing out their baggage, 'tis now said they are not more than 3500, rank and file.

16*th.*—Very calm this morning 'till about nine or ten o'clock, then all ordered under arms immediately, said that Burgoyne, refused to sign articles according to agreement, and ground his arms at 8 o'clock. Genl. Gates, therefore saith, if he did not comply in one hour, he would wait on him no longer, but force him to terms, thinking, I believe, that Genl. Burgoyne meant to baffle him. News came before night, that articles was signed and sealed and that the enemy are to lay down their arms tomorrow at 10 o'clock. The Genl. saith, that he fears there is treachery among them, orders to-night to lay on our arms and parade at 3 o'clock in the morning.

17*th.*—This morning at 4 o'clock paraded, then about 8 o'clock paraded again, ground our arms at about a 11 o'clock, orders to strike our tents and load them and march to head quarters immediately, which we did as soon as possible and paraded by the road just north of the Meeting House, so as to see the prisoners march by towards

Head Quarters, a very agreeable sight, I thought for some time, but was weary before they had all passed by though they marched brisk, yet they had hardly all passed us by the sun half an hour high. They was more than three hours in passing.

18th.—This morning early ordered to parade on the same ground we marched of on last night, and then marched towards Albany, and marched in great haste, the whole Brigade ordered to march to Albany before they halted, which was near 40 miles. No time allowed us to cook any provisions. At about 10 o'clock at night, we got down to the Sprouts, and obliged to wade them. As it was we found the enemy had burned Esopus, and it was thought they intended to come to Albany, and we intended to get there before them, if possible.

19th. Sunday. This morning ordered to be ready to march at 8 o'clock. I was draughted for a guard to guard our Cannon on the march, but hearing that the enemy had retreated, we were marched only on to the hill, just above the city and ordered to pitch our tents, I was kept on guard.

20th.—This morning relieved from guard.

21st.—Last night a cold storm of rain and snow and cold squalls of snow to-day.

22^d.—Last night orders to be ready to march at an hours warning. To-day the Lt.-Col. went to the General to get a discharge, but could not.

23^d.—This morning struck tents to march down the river. Crossed into Greenbush, went down three or four miles camped in the woods.

24th.—To day marched to Thunder Hook.

25th.—To day marched to Cloviric.

26th.—Sunday. To day marched to Livingston Manor.

27th.—Rained this morning and Continued all this day so that we don't march.

28th.—Rainey this morning continues hard all this day.

29th.—Marched to Rhinebeck to day, something rainey to day and we marched but 5 or 6 miles.

30th.—This morning our regiment was discharged. I marched to Oblong.

31st.—This morning set out early, went to Herrington.

November 1st.—To day marched to Hartford, staid at Olmstead's.

2^d.—Sunday. To day marched home.

NOTES

RHODE ISLAND COAST GUARD.—Head-quarters, June 1, 1778. *General Orders.* Watch Boats being ordered constantly to pattrole near the shore to prevent a surprize, the following Distinctions are to be attended to (viz.) The Boat from Tiverstown is to cruize between Frogland Point and Common Fence Point; That from Bristol, between Common Fence Point and Pappasquash Point; That from Warren to Pattrole between Pappasquash Point and the North Shore at the Entrance of Warren River; them from Providence down to Patuxet; that from Patuxet down to Warwick neck; that from Warwick down below Greenwich; those from Greenwich and the several points below, to receive their Destinations from Colo. Green, who will be very careful to see that the several boats