

forward with the advance to Larrah
 them on their retreat was attacked
 by their whole force on the evening
 of that day, and General Drummond
 shortly afterwards coming up
 with the remainder of our disposable
 troops in that quarter, a general
 action ensued which terminated
 at midnight by the total discomfiture
 of the Enemy. I have not yet received
 the official details of the action, but
 the enclosed will give you the
 substance of the information which
 has reached me respecting it.

You will observe by it that the
 Enemy in the last moment of retreating
 added another act of wanton outrage
 to those before committed by the destruction
 of Messrs. Clarke and Streets Mills, the
 most useful and valuable in the
 country, and the loss of which will
 be long and severely felt by the
 peaceable and unoffending

Inhabitants who were accustomed
 to resort to them with their Grain.

These events so dishonorable
 to the American Character, and so
 little merited by the forbearance I
 have practised, I deem it my duty
 to bring under your consideration

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