

cooperate with me to detach men to my right and
my left and make such disposition of
their forces as would effectually protect me in
rear in the event of the Enemies landing. The
positions they were to occupy were also ^{by mutual agreement} ~~stated~~ ^{allotted} to
them when the Enemy should make his attempt
to pass, as it was believed that concealed by
the thick woods on the high bank they would
be enabled to clear the Enemies decks with their
Musketry and in a great measure divert his
fire from our battery - at the moment of
my arrival one of the Enemies Vessels of War
A Brig of Eighteen Guns was seen coming up
General Hungerford and his men took their
position in the woods, and two small four
pounders that instant arriving I caused them
to be planted on the edge of the bank and
on the Enemy arriving abreast of us we opened
a brisk fire on him, having a fine breeze he
was enabled to pass us but could fire only
one broadside as he crossed the fire of our
field pieces and Musketry - The Militia
continued following him up along the bank
and greatly annoyed him by their well directed
fire. In this affair we had only one man wounded
and we believed our elevated position rendered
breast works useless as it was remarked that
none but the Enemies Grapes passed over us,
the round shot went into the bank below.