

who without regard to the Enemies Rockets and Shells maintained their position with firmness in the Passage between Fort Mifflin and the Luzerne.

Sailing Master Rodman stationed in the Water Battery of Fort Mifflin with his team of the *Shutilla*, did his duty in a manner worthy of the service to which he belongs.

To Master Matt Blackton my Aid, I am greatly indebted for the zeal and promptitude with which he conveyed my orders from Fort ^{to Fort} and wherever I had ^{occasions} to communicate, altho' in some instances he had to pass through showers of Shells and Rockets.

To Mr. Allen brother of the late gallant Capt. Allen of the Navy, who acted as my Aid and remained near my person, I am much indebted for the essential assistance he rendered in the capacity of Aids and conveying my orders whenever I found the same necessary.

It now becomes a duty to notice the services of that gallant and meritorious Officer Capt. Spruce of the Navy by whose exertions, assisted by Lt. Butler with the Barges, the entrance into