

Adjutant in the Field. I am happy in being able to add my testimony to his favorable report of the good conduct of the Officers on all occasions, and nothing could exceed the gallantry of the Troops when marching to attack the Enemy, but I am sorry to observe several of the Marines and Soldiers so far forgot themselves (as in spite of every exertion of the Officers) to get beastly Drunk, twelve of them were in consequence lost in the Wood and left behind.

I feel much obliged for the ^{able} assistance I received from Captain Hamilton who accompanied me in this affair, and great praise is also due to Lieutenant Fitzmaurice of the Dragon, Lieut^t Reece of the Havannah, Lieut^t Moore of the Royal Marine Artillery, and the Seamen under their Orders for the indefatigable exertions used in dragging the Field Pieces (sic) from the Church to the boats.

I am happy in this opportunity of expressing my obligation to Lieut^t Col^l Malcolm and the Officers of Royal Marines under my Orders, their gallantry and zeal have been uniformly conspicuous, but I am sensible no encomium of mine can add to the renommée already established for my friend Col^l Malcolm.

While I landed with the Troops on the left bank of the River, I directed Captain Sheridan of the Terror to attack a party of the Enemy ~~which~~ which were assembled on the opposite side of the River.

The enclosed letter from Captain Sheridan will explain how well and effectually he performed this Service, and I cannot too strongly express my sense of the gallant and uniformly good conduct of this zealous Officer.

I have the honor to be etc etc

Robert Barrie Captain

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See Cockburn letter sent to Capt. Hamilton Dec 14, 1814 requesting a court martial for Lt Robert Duce for having disobeyed orders and been captured.