

The 30th at Night some Firing at Kennington-Cove: The Marines thought they saw Indians: The Frigate fired all Night at the Epaulement, as the Men worked in the Night-time.

The 1st of July the Enemy crept out in the Morning to get some old Palisades and Wood: Brigadier Wolfe and Major Scott's Light Infantry pushed them in with a very brisk Fire; and the Brigadier took Posts on the Hills, from whence it was intended to try to demolish the Shipping; we marched forward on the Right; forced the Enemy back to Cape Noir with a smart Fire.

The 2d the Epaulement and Road went on heavily, from the extreme Badness of the Ground: The Enemy continued their Cannonading, and threw some Shells; we skirmished all Day with Parties out of the Town.

The 3d a great Cannonading from the Town and Shipping on the Batteries. Brigadier Wolfe was making an advanced Work on the Right, thrown up at 650 Yards from the Cover'd Way, with an Intention of erecting a Battery to destroy the Defences of the Place, it being pretty well on the Capital of the Citadel Bastion; and the Falling of the Ground from this Place, towards the Works, would hinder discovering as much of the Works as would be necessary to do them any considerable Damage. In the Evening the Sea Officers thought some of the Ships would try to get out of the Harbour. The Batteries on the Left immediately played on them, but it grew so dark they could not continue.

The 4th a great Fog; when there were Glares of Light, the Cannonading began; 500 Men kept continually making Fascines.

The 5th very bad Weather; the Epaulement was hastened on as much as possible, it swallowed up an immense Number of Fascines, cost some Men, as the Frigate cannonaded on it without ceasing.

The 6th a Sloop sailed out of the Harbour with a Flag of Truce to Sir Charles Hardy, to carry some Things to their wounded Officers and Prisoners.

The many Difficulties of landing every Thing in almost a continual Surf, the making of Roads, draining and passing of Bogs, and putting ourselves under Cover, render our Approach to the Place much longer than I could wish.

On the 7th we had very foggy Weather; Cannonading continued all Day, and a good deal of popping Shots from the advanced Posts.

The 8th I intended an Attack on some advanced Posts at Cape Noir, but it did not take Place. Col. Bastide got a Contusion by a Musket Ball on his Boot, which laid him up in the Goat.

The 9th, in the Night, the Enemy made a Sortie where Brigadier Lawrence commanded; they came from Cape Noir, and tho' drunk, I am afraid rather surpris'd a Company of Grenadiers of Forbes's, commanded by Lord Dundonald, who were posted in a Fleecke on the Right. Major Murray, who commanded three Companies of Grenadiers, immediately detached one, and drove the Enemy back very easily. Whitmore's and Bragg's Grenadiers behaved very well on this Occasion. Lord Dundonald was killed, Lieutenant Tew wounded and taken Prisoner, Captain Bontain of the Engineers taken Prisoner: 1 Corporal, 3 Men killed, 1 Serjeant, 11 Men missing; 17 Men wounded: The Sortie was of five Picquets, supported by 600 Men; a Captain, Chevalier de Chauvelin, was killed, a Lieutenant wounded and taken Prisoner, 17 Men killed, 4 wounded and brought off Prisoners, besides what Wounded they carried into the Town, one of which, a Captain, died immediately. The Enemy sent out a Flag of Truce to bury their Dead, which when over, the Cannonading began again. The Frigate was so hurt, she hauled close to the Town; the Ships fired very much against Brigadier Wolfe's Batteries.

The 10th the Road at the Epaulement went on a little better; the Enemy fired a great deal, and threw many Shells.

The 11th a Waggoner was taken off by some Indians between the Block-house and the Left of the North-East Harbour.

The 12th it rained very hard all Night; not a Man in Detachment could have a dry Thread on; we made an advanced Work to Green-Hill; at Night the Waggoner who had been taken luckily made his

Escape, said, they were 230 Canadians. The Citadel Bastion fired very smartly.

The 13th the Enemy threw a great many Shells; we perfected our Works as fast as we could; bad rainy Weather; the Enemy was at Work at Cape Noir to hinder us taking Possession near that Point, which is of no Consequence; some Defectors came in, said a Sloop from Miray got in three Days ago.

The 14th the Batteries were traced out last Night with an Intention to place twenty 24 Pounders, divided in four different Batteries, to destroy the Defences, and a Battery of 7 Mortars, with some 12 Pounders to ricochet the Works and the Town.

The 15th the Cannonading and Firing continued; the Enemy tried to throw some Shells into Camp, supposed to be intended against our Powder Magazine: At Ten at Night the Light-house Battery fired some Rockets as a Signal of Ships sailing out of the Harbour; Sir Charles Hardy answered it; the Frigate got out, and Sir Charles Hardy's Fleet got under Sail and went to Sea. Before Day-break, Captain Sutherland, posted at the End of the North-East Harbour, was attacked, and there was a great deal of Firing; the Grenadiers of Brigadier Wolfe's Corps marched to sustain him, and all the Light Infantry; it was over before they could get up, and, by a Defector from the Enemy, they were only 100 Men come from Miray, where they left Monsieur de Boisbere, who had, on the other Side the Water, 300 Men with Boats to pass. Major Scott, with the Light Infantry, pursued, but could not get up with them. I encamped a Corps forward.

The 16th, towards Night, Brigadier Wolfe pushed on a Corps and took Possession of the Hills in the Front of the Barafoy, where we made a Lodgment; the Enemy fired very briskly from the Town and Shipping.

The 17th a great Fire continued from the Town and Shipping; we resolved to extend the Parallel from the Right to the Left. The fleet remained.

The 18th, all last Night the Enemy fired Mucketry from the Covert-Way, and tried to throw Shells into the Camp.

The 19th I relieved the Trenches by Battalions, the 14 Battalions forming 3 Brigades; a smart Fire from the Covert-Way; the Batteries on the Left fired against the Bastion Dauphine with great Success.

The 21st one of the Ships in the Harbour had some Powder blown up in her, made a great Explosion, and set the Ship on Fire, which soon caught the Sails of two more; they burned very fast, and we kept firing on them the whole Time, to try to hinder the Boats and People from the Town to get to their Assistance; the Entreprenant, Capricieux, and Suberp were the three burned Ships; the Prudent and Bienfaisant remained.

The 22d two Batteries on the Right opened with thirteen 24 Pounders, and another of 7 Mortars, and fired with great Success; the Enemy fired very well from the Town for some Time, and threw their Shells into our Works. Our Shells put the Citadel in Flames. I ordered Colonel Williamson to confine his Fire as much as he could to the Defences of the Place, that we might not destroy the Houses. A Lieutenant of the Royal Americans, going his Rounds on an advanced Post, lost his Way, and was taken Prisoner near Cape Noir. A Battery was begun on the Left for four 24 Pounders.

The 23d the Cohorns were used at Night, and the French Mortars sent to throw Stones from the Trenches. The Enemy fired all Sorts of old Iron, and any Stuff they could pick up. Colonel Bastide was out to Day for the first Time since he received the Contusion. Our Batteries fired with great Success. This Night the Shells set fire to the Barracks, and they burnt with great Violence.

On the 24th the Fire was very brisk on our Side, and the Enemy's decreased. The Admiral gave me 400 Seamen to help work at the Batteries, &c. and 200 Miners added to a Corps of 100 already established, that we might make quick Work of it, and they were immediately employed. The 4 Gun Battery opened, and another of 5 erecting. One of the Men of War in the Harbour, the Bienfaisant, fired at our Trenches at High Water, and the Citadel and Bastion Dauphine fired against the 4 Gun Battery; but our Men firing Small Arms into the Embrazures, beat the Enemy off their Guns. The