

Fif. Subj.
Killed—1 private, wounded; 1 captured, 1 sergeant, 9 privates.

Second Subj.
Killed—2 privates, wounded, 6 privates.

Third Subj.
Killed—1 sergeant, 6 privates, wounded, 1 sergeant, 2 corporals, 2 musicians, 27 privates.

Fourth Subj.

Killed—1 lieutenant, 1 sergeant, 12 privates, wounded, 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 1 sergeant, 1 corporal, 23 privates.

Kentucky volunteers.

Killed—7 privates, wounded, 1 captain, 1 first-nan, 1 enigne, 1 privates.

Total—killed, 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 3 serjeants, 28 privates, wounded, 4 captains, 3 lieutenants, 1 enigne, 1 corporal, 3 corporals, 2 musicians, 84 privates.

Names of Officers Killed.

Captain Robert Mis Campbell of dragoons, Lieutenant Henry B. Tonnes 4th Legion.

Names of Officers Wounded.

Captain Solomon Van Resenber of dragoons, Captain Abner Prior of dragoon.

Captain Jacob Slough 4th Legion.

Lieutenant Campbell Smith, 4th Legion, acting as an extra aid to Brigadier Gen. Wilkinson.

Capt. Rowlett, Lieut. McKenney and Ensign Duncan of the Kentucky Volunteers.

(Signed) John M. Major of Infantry, and Adjutant General.

No. I.

At arms of the United States of America, said to be under your command, having taken post on the banks of the Miami, for upwards of the last twelve hours, stood within the reach of the guns of this fort, being a post belonging to his Maj. the King of Great Britain, occupied by his Majesty's troops, and which I have the honor to command, it becomes me to inform you, at present, as far as possible, in what light I am to view your making such near approaches to this garrison.

I have no inclination on my part to say, that I know of no war existing between Great Britain and America.

I have the honor to be, Sir, with great respect, Your most obedient and very humble servant,

WILLIAM CAMPBELL, Major 24th Regt, commanding a British post on the banks of the Miami.

Miamis River, August 21, 1794.

To Major General Wayne, &c. &c.

No. II.

SIR,
I have received your letter of this date, requiring from me the motives which have moved the army under my command to the position they at present occupy, for within the acknowledged jurisdiction of the United States of America.

Without withholding the authority, or propriety, of your interrogatory, I think I may without breach of decorum observe, to you, that were you entitled to an answer, the most full and satisfactory one was afforded to you from the muzzle of my final gun yesterday morning, in the action against the border of France, in the vicinity of your post; which terminated gloriously to the American army; but had it continued until the Indians, &c. were drove under the influence of the post and guns you mention, they would not have much impeded the progress of the victorious army under my command; as no such posts were established at the commencement of the present war between the Indians and the United States.

I have the honor to be, Sir, with great respect, your most obedient and very humble servant,

(Signed) ANTHONY WAYNE, Major General, and commander in Chief of the Federal army.

Camp on the Bank of the Miami, 21st August, 1794.

To Major William Campbell, &c. &c.

No. III.

SIR,
Although your letter of yesterday's date fully authorizes me to any act of hostility against the army of the United States of America in this neighbourhood under your command, yet still anxious to prevent that dreadful decision, which perhaps is not intended to be appealed to by either of our countries, I have, forborne for these two days past to refer to those insults which you have offered to the British flag flying at this Fort by approaching it within pistol shot of my works, not only singly, but in numbers with arms in their hands.

Neither is it my wish to wage war with individuals; but should you after this continue to approach my post in the threatening

manner you are at this moment doing, my indefensible duty to my king and country, and the honor of my profession, will oblige me to have recourse to these measures, which thousands of either nation may hereafter have cause to regret, and which I solemnly appeal to God I have used my utmost endeavor to avert.

I have the honor to be, Sir, with much respect, your most obedient and very humble servant,

(Signed) WILLIAM CAMPBELL, Major 24th Regt, commanding a British post on the Miami, Augt 22, 1794.

[No notice was taken of this letter than what is expressed in the following letter. The fort and works were now well reconnoitred within pistol shot. It was found to be a regular strong work, the front covered by a wide river with four guns mounted on that face. The rear which was most susceptible of approach had two regular batteries furnished with eight pieces of artillery, the whole surrounded by a wide ditch with horizontal pickets projecting from the bottom of the parapet over the ditch. From the bottom of the ditch to the top of the parapet was about twenty feet perpendicular, the works were also surrounded by an abatis and furnished with a strong garrison.]

No. IV.

Camp Banks of the Miami, Augt 22.

SIR,
In your letter of the 21st inst, you declare, "I have no inclination on my part to say that I know of no war existing between Great Britain and America."

I, on my part declare the same, and that the only cause I have to entertain a contrary idea at present is, the hostile act you are now in commission of, &c. &c. recently taking post within the well known and acknowledged limits of the United States, and exciting a tumultuous in the heart of the settlements of the Indian tribes, now at war with the United States.

This act, appears to be an act of the highest aggression, & destructive to the peace and interest of the Union—hence it becomes my duty to desire, and I do hereby desire and demand, in the name of the President of the United States, that you immediately desist from any act of hostility or aggression, by forbearing to fortify and withdraw the troops, artillery and stores under your orders and direction, forthwith, and removing to the nearest post occupied by his Britannic Majesty's troops at the peace of 1783, and which you will be permitted to do, unopposed by the troops under my command.

I am, with very great respect, for you, your most obedient, and very humble servant,

ANTHONY WAYNE,

Major Wm. Campbell, &c. &c. &c.

No. V.

SIR,
I have this moment the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date. In answer to which, I have only to say, that being placed here in the command of a British post, and acting in a military capacity only, I cannot enter into any discussion either on the right or importance of my occupying my present position—these are matters that I conceive will be left to the judgment of our different nations.

Having said this much, permit me to inform you, that I certainly will not abandon this post, at the summons of any governor whatever, until I receive orders to that purpose from those I have the honor to serve under, or the fortune of war should oblige me.

I will still adhere, Sir, to the purport of my letter this morning, to desire that your army or individuals belonging to it, will not approach within reach of my canon without expecting the consequences at residing it.

Although I have said in the former part of my letter that my situation here is totally military, yet let me add, sir, that I am much deceived if his Majesty the King of Great Britain had not a post on this river, and prior to the period you mention.

I have the honor to be, Sir, with the greatest respect, your most obedient, and very humble servant,

WILLIAM CAMPBELL, Major 24th Regt, commanding at Fort Miami, Augt 22, 1794.

To Major General Wayne, &c. &c. &c.

[The only notice taken of this letter was immediately letting fire to and destroying every thing within view of the fort and even under the muzzles of the guns. Had Mr. Campbell carried his threats to execution, it is more than probable he would have experienced a storm.]

August 22, 1794.

Examination of a Shawnee prisoner, taken by captain Wells on the evening of

the 18th Augt 1794, test the foot of the Miami.

Q. When did the Indians receive information of the advance of the army?

A. The first information was from a white man, who came in of his own accord about ten days since.

Q. Where are the Indians at this time?

A. At Colonel M'Kee's.

Q. Where are the British, and what are their numbers?

A. In a fort about one mile below Col. M'Kee's, on the north side of the river, situated on a hill or bank close to the margin, where there are about 200 men—they are now at work at the fort.

Q. What number of great guns have they in their fort?

A. Four or five.

Q. What number of warriors are at M'Kee's, and what nations do they belong to?

A. There are six hundred who abandoned this place on the approach of the army. Shawnees about 200 but not more.

Delawares

Warriors of other tribes 100

700 total.

Q. What number are expected to assemble in addition to those at the foot of the rapids?

A. In all about 400 men, Wyandots

Tawas

300

500

Q. What numbers of white men are to join and when?

A. Mr. captain Elliot, set our for Detroit 6 days hence, and was to be back as yesterday with all the militia and an additional number of regular troops, which with those already there would amount to 1000 men—this is the general conversation among the Indians, and Captain Elliot promised to bring that number—Col. M'Kee's force went with Elliot, as also the men who deserted from the army on its march.

Q. When and where do the Indians mean to fight this army?

A. At the foot of the Rapids, the white man who came in told the Indians and Col. M'Kee that the army was destined for that place.

August 23.

Examination of Antoine Laffel, a native of Canada, and a volunteer in Captain Caldwell's company of refugees, friends and allies of the hostile Indians, captured in the action of the 20th inst.

Who says that he has resided for 20 years in Upper Canada—of which he has passed at Detroit and on this river—and that he has constantly traded with the Indians all that time, that he resided at the Miami village for 10 years before the

beginning of his expedition, when he left that place and used to supply other traders with goods—that he has since lived chiefly at Bear Creek or Little Glazier—at the latter end of the 20th inst.

That having lived so long among the hostile Indians he is perfectly acquainted with their names and numbers.

That the Delawares have about 500 men including those who live on both rivers, the White river and Bear Creek—that the Miami are about 200 warriors, part of them live on the St. Joseph—800 warriors from this place; that the men were all to the action but that the women are yet at this place or Pieppens village—it is a road leads from this place directly to it, that the number of warriors belonging to that place when all together amounts to about 1000 men.

That the Shawnees have about 300 war-

riors that the Tawas on this river are about 250.

That the Wyandots are about 300.

That these Indians were generally in the action of the 20th inst, except some hunting parties.

That a reinforcement of regular troops and 200 militia arrived at Post Miami a few days before the army appeared—that the regular troops in the fort amounted to 250, exclusive of the militia.

That about 700 of the militia, including Capt. Caldwell's corps, were in the action.

That Col. M'Kee, Capt. Elliot, and Simon Galt were in the field, but at a respectable distance and near the river.

That Colonel M'Kee's exactions now depend upon the exertions he can make to retrieve the loss and disgrace of the Indians—that he will use every influence & means in his power to raise the distant nations to come forward immediately and assist in this.

That should they not be able to collect in force sufficient to fight this army—their intention is to move on the Spanish side of the Mississipi, where part of their nations now live, that Blue Jack told him, I sell, that he intended to move immediately to Chicago, on the Illinois.

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