

The next day, the city was again the first to open, and the English fire was not as brisk as it had been the day before. After some time the Rear-Admiral found himself so cut up by the Sault au Matelot batteries, and by that lower down on the left, that he was compelled to draw off. The Admiral soon followed him with precipitation. He was pierced in several places¹ at the water line, had more than twenty balls in his hull, almost all his rigging cut, his mainmast nearly severed, and a great number of his sailors and soldiers killed and wounded. The two other vessels held out a little while longer, but at noon they ceased firing, and at five in the afternoon ran into the Anse des Mères, behind Cape Diamond, to be out of reach of our cannon. Nor did they remain long there, for they were exposed to a sharp fire of musketry, which killed many, and forced them to draw off still further.²

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They are compelled to draw off in great disorder.

All that day, the troops who had landed near Beauport, remained quietly in their camp, and the French contented themselves with watching them. Early on the twentieth, they beat to arms, and drew up in line. In this posture they remained till two o'clock in the afternoon, constantly shouting: "Hurrah for King William!" Then they advanced, and from their movements seemed to intend marching on the city, having platoons on the wings and Indians in the van.³

Second repulse of the landed troops.

For some time they marched along the little river in very good order; but Messrs. de Longueil and de Sainte Helene, at the head of 200 volunteers, intercepted them,

¹ Oct. 9 O. S., 19 N. S.

² Cotton Mather, *Life of Phips*, (*Magnalia*, II., p. 50.) and *Some Few Remarks*, p. 51, says his ship was shot through in an hundred places: though Robert Calef, *More Wonders*, p. 146, says only in seven.

³ De Monseignat, *Relation*, N. Y. Col. Doc., ix., p. 488. De la Potherie, *Histoire de l'Amérique Septentrionale*, iii., p. 119.

Le Clercq mentions at this point

the loss of the Admiral's flag, p. 434. See *Ante*, p. 174. Walley, *Journal*, p. 473-4, admits that Sir William's ship returned very much disabled. Mgr. de Laval, *Letter*, Nov. 20, 1690, estimates that they fired 2000 balls at the town.

⁴ Account sent by the Fleur de Mai. N. Y. Col. Doc., ix., p. 457. Walley, *Journal* in *Hutchinson's Massachusetts*, i., p. 475, says, 11, O. S.