

Saturday Aug^t 1st The Detachment left Oxford with the Dragoons & ab^t 70 Oxford Militia. I was unwell & had to stay behind. Sunday I Left Fuller's with Doct^r Sumner and went to Yeighs. the fatigue of riding put me in a fever. the Doct^r Left me here and went to Join the Detachment which had marched to Long P^t in the Morn^g. Monday 3^d I was so unwell that I was confined to bed most all day.

Tuesday 4th Felt much better & heard that a few Light horse from York and about 100 of the York Militia were on their way to Long P^t saw 3 Canadians today who are just from Amherstburgh on their way to Montreal. They mentioned that the Indians had had some skirmishes with the Americans near River Canard and had driven them over it twice. Got a note in the Evening from M^r Hamilton from L^s P^t advising me to join immediately. had a horse press'd in harness and rode [to] Long P^t through a most beautiful [coun]try and very good roads arrived at Dover ab^t 3 OClock in the after-noon saw a great many men there, Norfolk Militia, York Militia Oxford Militia Dragoons & the troop of Hussars also some Artillery with a 6 pounder which was sent up from Niagara. heard on my way up that the General was coming, Wednesday 5th heard that the *Nancy* had been to Fort Erie & had brought up about 60 of the 41^t Reg^t. Was so weak that I could not drill with the men. Wednesday Morning and today the Militia was drill'd by Captain Chambers

Friday 7th Nothing remarkable occured to day. in the Evening General Brock arriv'd M^r William Hamilton & myself left M^r Nichols where we had [been] staying, and went to M^r Williams where Cap^t Henry [?] & other Officers of the York Militia were. here we staid all night Cap^t [?] Jarvis arrived in the Middle of the night he came with a small party of Indians. Saturday 8^h we all embarked in boats, for Amherstburgh Exce[pt] the Norfolk Militia, under Major Salmon¹⁵ & about 14 or 16 Oxford Do. who embarked in the *Chippewa* and some of the Oxf^d & Norfolk militia were left behind for want of boats. I embarked on board the largest boat with the 41st Major Chambers was

¹⁵ Major George C. Salmon, Second Norfolk Militia Regiment. See Irving, *op. cit.*, Casselman, *op. cit.*, 60.