

fort and the General was Down at Johnsons Landing four Miles from the acting Part of the army.<sup>45</sup> I was forced to Run Back & forth four miles Nite and Day til I Could not Sarve Eney Longer. I sent to Mr. Bull to Releave me by Sending another Sargint in my Plase which was Dun & I Gind my friends agane and fought In the trenches aganst the fort. Befoar we had Capterd the fort the Gennarel had gind the arme & himself & my frend Col Johnson ware Both Kilt in One Day and Col Shaday [Thodey]<sup>46</sup> of the New York troops shot threw the Leag. This was a Loss to Our Small army—three Brave Offesars in One Day. We Continued the Seage with Spereat under the Command of Sir William Johnson who it fell to after the Death of Braduck [Prideaux]. I was faverd—I Got but One Slite wound Dureing the Seage. At the End of Twenty five Days the fort Capatalated to leave the Works with the honners of war & lay down thare Armes on the Beach whare thay ware to Imbark in Boates for Schanactady under an escort. After apointing troops to Garsen the fort we Returnd to Oswago and Bilt a fort Cald fort Erey.<sup>47</sup> At the Close of the Campain what was alive returned Home to thare Native plases But we had left a number Behind who was in thare Life Brave Men. On my

<sup>45</sup> Probably the Capt. Vanvater whom Pond mentions, was Capt. Dirck Van Veghte of New Brunswick, N. J.

Johnson's Landing was on Lake Ontario, four miles from the mouth of the river where the fort stood. The Buffalo Historical Society proposes to mark the site.—ED.

<sup>46</sup> Col. Michael Thodey of New York city was a prominent merchant thereof, whose father settled there about 1732. His brother Francis commanded a company on this same campaign. Thodey entered the provincial troops as lieutenant in 1755, serving as captain in the latter half of the year. In 1759 he was lieutenant-colonel of the second battalion. His wound did not disable him for service, for he was colonel of the New York regiment (1761-63). He was married (1760) in New York city to Elizabeth Jones.—ED.

<sup>47</sup>The fort rebuilt on the site of Fort Ontario, which was destroyed by Montcalm in 1756, was finished in 1760. Pond must have mistaken the name; it was, like the former fort, known as Ontario not Erie.—ED.