

3 At this place the main Army commanded by General Scott remained for some time, and was marched away leaving him with others behind. When he was placed under the command of Col. Heath. Who remained for some time, but left them before he did, when he was placed under the command of Col. Blefard. Who remained as near as he now recollects until Spring he thinks April. When we left Petersburg and took up the line of march for Charlestown. But upon arriving at a place then known by the name of the name of the pine tree - but now better known by Camden we rec<sup>d</sup> information that Charlestown was so surrounded by the enemy that we could not enter. When we turned our direction, and marched over the high hills an Santee River to Lanew<sup>s</sup> Ferry an said River. Where we remained until we rec<sup>d</sup> information that Charlestown was surrendered to the British.

While at this place Colonels. Washington and White took a number of the British Soldiers prisoner and brought them to said Ferry on the opposite side of the River from where we were. and Col. Blefard detached about a hundred and fifty of his men to aid in bringing the prisoners over to the side of the River upon which he was stationed. But before the prisoners could be brought over, Col. Fortson who was in close pursuit came upon them, he took his men and forced the American party to retreat. Washington crossed the River and made good his retreat to Col. Blefard's Marker - and they declared saw him. when he reached the shore.