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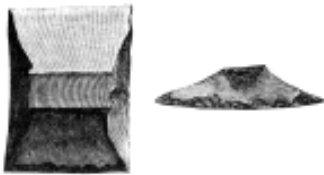
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This new printing will be of considerable use to the historian, the archaeologist and all who must identify gunflints, and the muzzle loading gun user.

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Research Report No. 15

ARTILLERY FROM IVEROGNE, 1794

The Simcoe Papers, Wolford Hall

The information which follows probably records guns temporarily stored on an island in the St. Lawrence River pending settlement of the border between United States and Canada, following the American Revolution. Point Iverogne has not been located but may have been the local name for a point on one of the many islands flooded when the St. Lawrence Seaway was built in the early 1960s. The information is from a document transcribed for the National Archives – Canada from the Lieut. Governor Simcoe papers, Wolford Hall, Devonshire, England.

ARTILLERY FROM IVEROGNE

Return of Artillery brought from Point Iverogne to Kingston by order of His Excellency Governor Simcoe including also the remainder at Point Iverogne both serviceable and unserviceable.

25th November, 1794.

No. of piece and Marks	weight of Metal	State
623	12 Pounder	Serviceable
650	Do.	Do.
12	Do.	Do.
3	Do.	Do.

No. of piece and Marks	weight of Metal	State
804	Do.	Serviceable
9	Do.	Do.
5	Do.	Do.
22	Do.	Do.
797	Do.	Do.
631	Do.	Do.
W.P.	Do.	Do.
16	Do.	Do.
7	Do.	Do.
Total	13	

Remaining at Point Iverogne

126	Do.	Do.	
345	Do.	Do.	
10	Do.	Do.	
F.P.	Dp.	Do.	
No Number	Do.	Do.	
811	Do.	Do.	“
Total	6		

Remaining at Point Iverogne Unserviceable

No. of the Piece and Marks	Weight of Metal	Remarks
794	12 Pounders	Honey-combed in 3 places
W.P.		Do. Cascabel broken off.
14	Do.	Honey-combed and damaged in the Muzzle.
4,028	Do.	Honey-combed in 3 places.
402	Do.	Muzzle and Cascabel damaged and spiked.
4,048	Do.	Honey-combed in 5 places.
No Number	Do.	Damaged in the Muzzle and spiked
Do.	Do.	The length of two feet broken off the Muzzle.
Do	6 Pounder	One Trunnion broken off.
Do.	Do.	Do.
Do.	Do.	Ten Inches length broken off the Muzzle.
Total	11	

(Signed) George McLaran,
Kingston, Dec. 5th, 1794. Acting Bomb'r Royal Artillery.
(Signed) Richard Porter,
Captain 60th Reg't Commanding.