

PLACE: Kinsale

LOCATION: Town of Kinsale, Westmoreland County

SIGNIFICANCE: On 3 August 1814, Admiral Cockburn and several hundred Royal Marines landed here and captured the town of Kinsale. Many of the town's wharves and shops along the waterfront were burned and otherwise destroyed. Opposing this force were Virginia militia from several counties under the immediate command of Brig. Gen. John Hungerford of Westmoreland. During the resulting battle, General Hungerford and his superior, Maj. Gen. Thomas Parker, were nearly captured, Parker's horse shot beneath him. When Virginia militia began to reform to push the enemy out of town, British tenders with superior fire power protected the slowly retreating Royal marines on their return to their ships at the mouth of the Yeocomico River.

POSSIBLE LOCATION OF MARKER: In the town of Kinsale near the waterfront.