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post on Penobscot River.

New York, April 13th 1779.

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Description: Instructions for the officer taking command of British troops sent to the Penobscot River area to erect a fort and protect the area from the colonists.