

1st Disobedience of Orders, & unmititary
conduct, on the march from Tappan to
the Liberty Pole, in halting the Brigade
under his Command without any order there-
for, from the General commanding the Div-
ision, and thereby occasioning a vacancy
of near half a mile in the Centre of the
Left Column, & for unofficer, & ungentleman-
like behaviour, in falsely asserting he had
received such orders from Genl. Stark; The
Court are of opinion that on the march from
Tappan to the Liberty Pole Col^o Hazen
halted the Brigade under his command, &
occasioned a vacancy in the Left Column
of near half a mile, but as it appears to
them that he had orders from the General
commanding the Division to halt, they do
therefore Honorably acquit him, of Dis-
obedience of orders, & unmititary conduct, in
the instance contained in this charge; The
Court do also acquit Col^o Hazen of unoffi-
-cious ungentlemanlike behaviour, in ^{falsely} as-
-serting that he had orders from Genl. Stark to
halt which this charge says he had not; ~~The~~

The Commander in Chief ap-
-proves the Sentence, but as it appears to
have been a matter of question whether a
Brigadier, or Officer commanding a Brigade
in a line of march has a discretionary power
to order a halt, The General thinks it neces-
-sary to declare that it is highly improper
for him to do so, but in case of extream ne-
-cessity when the halt or the cause of it should
immediatly be reported to the Officer command-
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