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Image of a Fraser Fencible fighting against the French in the Irish town of Castlebar - on August 27, 1798 - by George Cruikshank (1792-1878). The engraving is included in William Maxwell's <u>History of the Irish Rebellion in</u> <u>1798</u>.

This picture - entitled "Heroic Conduct of the Highland Sentinel" - illustrates the following passage from Maxwell's text:

The French approached the new gaol [jail] to break it open. It was guarded by a highland Fraser sentinel, whom his friends had desired to retreat with them; but he heroically refused to quit his post, which was elevated, with some steps leading to it. He charged and fired five times successively, and killed a Frenchman at every shot, but before he could charge the sixth time, they rushed on him, beat out his brains, and threw him down the steps, with the sentry-box on his body. (See Maxwell at page 236.)

The drawing appears <u>next to page 236</u> in the fourth edition (published in 1854).

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