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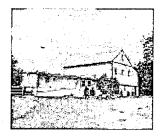
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This post begins a special installment of the Swain Report series: while most of David Swain's reports have provided a general finding aid to the collections they cover, this series constitutes a full catalog of all items in the War Office 28 microfilm rolls held by DLAR. The miscellaneous nature of the documents, which seem to be leftover returns and correspondence from British and Royal Provincial regiments in Canada, make composing a standard finding aid difficult. A full catalog is necessary for fully realizing the importance of these documents, which help to fill in the gaps left by other collections and provide important insights into the daily minutiae of military life, and to make them more user-friendly for researchers. We are very thankful that David has undertaken this intensive task, which has already revealed a number of interesting documents that might otherwise have been lost in the shuffle.

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British War Office 28—American Headquarters Records

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by David Swain

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"Letterbooks" among these documents are not actually bound books but are folders of separate-page letters kept at the time by regiments. The microfilm copies of these letters are mostly in chronological order, with a few exceptions. Apparently at a later time, archivists added consecutive printed numbers to the letter pages within each part. These printed numbers are noted in this list for each letterbook.

28.2. Letterbooks (Reel 1)

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34th Regiment of Foot field officer letters 1782-1783: 46 letters with dates from January 23, 1782 through

December 22, 1783 (printed page numbers 1 through 86)

1. January 23, 1782

From Colonel Barry St. Leger, at Montreal, to Major R. B. Lernoult, at Quebec, adjutant general to Lord Frederick Cavendish, in London Concerning a commission for Mr. John Gethen Crone

2. February 14, 1782

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning appointments, including Crone's

3. March 15, 1782

From Captain D. Forbes at St. Johns to [probably St. Leger] Concerning deputy chaplain Mr. Scott's irregular behavior and recommendation of subaltern officers that he be dismissed

4. April 3, 1782

From Cavendish in London to [?]

Extract from a letter concerning the deputy chaplain's conduct

5. April 21, 1782

From St. Leger at St. Johns, by now commander there, to Lernoult at

Concerning the succession of Lieutenant Hamilton to Captain Nodder's position

6. April 23, 1782

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult Concerning Lieutenant Hamilton's status

7. June 21, 1782

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Cavendish

Concerning request by Lieutenant Atkins to go to Europe for medical attention to his leg

8. June 15, 1782

From Dr. H. A. Kennedy concerning the lame leg of Lieutenant Atkins, recommending that he go to baths in England or Germany for treatment

9. July 23, 1782

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning filling a vacant position with Lieutenant Aldworth

10. October 2, 1782

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult

Concerning Lieutenant Wingrove's request to be relieved of his command

11. October 2, 1782

From St. Leger to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning replacing Lieutenant Ireland who had died in Ireland with St. Leger's son

12. September 25, 1782

From W. Dantus or Santus [?] at La Chine, Canada to St. Leger Confirming Lieutenant Ireland's death, with attached death notice from a newspaper in Limerick, Ireland dated September 3, 1781

13. October 13, 1782

From St. Leger to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning Lieutenant Crofts and Lieutenant Wingrove

14. November 7, 1782

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult

Report that the 34th Regiment passed La Chine on its way to Niagara; since the weather had been tough on the men, St. Leger had loosened the general order against rum; if not consented to by His Excellency (Cavendish), the regiment would recompense the Crown for the cost of the rum

15. November 11, 1782

From Major Charles Green to Lernoult

Concerning delay in submitting regimental returns because the regiment had been on the march; written at St. Leger's request

16. November 18, 1782

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Informing His Excellency that four POWs had arrived from Niagara

17. November 25, 1782

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning the prisoners of war

18. November 28, 1782

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning the attached return for the prisoners [not microfilmed]

19. December 2, 1782

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Concerning a German recruit named Pyper [?] who had deserted to the Mohawks, married, and become part of the tribe; Mohawks wanted him to become a "free man"; St. Leger expressed little hope of bringing him back to military justice but awaited His Excellency's decision

20. December 19, 1782

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Concerning prisoners, including a deserter from the 29th regiment and a hospital mate, Mr. Connor

21. January 2, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Concerning apprehension of a deserter from the 24th regiment

22. January 6, 1783

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning prisoner Hudman, who had been taken by civil authorities from military custody to be tried in civil court; also recommending pardon for deserter John Clark of the 34th Regiment

23. January 13, 1783

From Major Charles Green at Montreal to Lernoult

Showing that by now, St. Leger had been promoted to brigadier general and was in command at Montreal; concerning British soldier prisoners being escorted to Quebec for court martial

24. March 20, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Concerning deserters

25. May 9, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Concerning Quartermaster Bullers [?], a prisoner for murder; attached list of prisoners sent from Niagara and Oswego [not microfilmed]; other

prisoner matters

26. June 2, 1783 From St. Leger to Lernoult Concerning prisoners

27. June 9, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Concerning prisoner problems; belief that some German guards were conspiring with British soldier prisoners to escape together; plan to replace these guards with "confidential men"; desire to put prisoner Bullers under civil law for trial

28. June 26, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Reporting that 52 prisoners of war arrived from Niagara, including men, women, and children; problems with "insolent" civil jailor; problems with differing conditions between civil jail and provost (military) jail

29. July 7, 1783

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning prisoners of war; request orders about what to do with "rebel" Canadians still incarcerated in the Provost, along with one Negro slave who had run away from his master in Detroit and really didn't belong in the Provost at all and should probably be sent back to his master; expectation that with most prisoners leaving, the number of guards can be reduced

30. July 21, 1783

From James Hughes to Lernoult

Concerning a grievance against St. Leger about being ordered to be commanded by a militia captain, with a copy of St. Leger's order attached [not microfilmed]

31. August 2, 1783

From James Hughes to Lernoult at Quebec Sending a garrison return to Lernoult

32. August 11, 1783

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning Brigadier General McLean, who felt he had been rebuked by headquarters and, in consequence, had engaged in inappropriate behavior; St. Leger's opinion that he was not really a bad soldier but misinformed

33. August 22, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning arrival of a detachment under Lieutenant Warburton

34. September 7, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting arrival and arrest of hospital mate Mr. Connor

35. September 13, 1783

From Major Robert Hayes at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning a request from Captain Steele to be approved for leave back to England because of bad health; also leave requests of Lieutenant Arden and Lieutenant Crofts

36. August 10, 1783

From Dr. Charles Blake Simpson at Montreal to [?]

Certifying the health condition of Captain Steele

37. September 18, 1783 From St. Leger to [?]

Concerning prisoner problems with attachment of a "German discharge" paper in German; the man in question, a member of the "Brunswick Troops" had been placed in the Provost prison; request for orders on what to do with him

38. May 6, 1783

The discharge paper in German, dated with the above date, attached to the previous letter

39. [no date]; received October 1, 1783

From St. leger to Lernoult

Concerning the German soldier, whose discharge paper was a forgery, with the man's name inserted over a previous name; concerning Captain Steele

40. October 6, 1783

From St. Leger to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning an artillery group coming through Montreal

41. October 16, 1783

From St. Leger at Montreal to Lernoult

Reporting that prisoners of the 24th Regiment were under guard of thee 84th Regiment; some of these military prisoners were expected to be transferred to civil authority soon

42. October 21, 1783

From Major Hayes at Niagara to General Federick Haldamend, governor

Concerning Ensign Walsingham Gresley's hardship in purchasing his ensigncy

43. October 21, 1783

From Ensign Gresley to "Lieutenant Colonel" Hayes explaining his situation in relation to his ensigncy

44. December 15, 1783

From St. Leger at Montreal to Major Matthews Concerning the status of the 34th Regiment; requesting orders

45. November 30, 1783

From Hayes at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning sending soldier John Steward to Montreal; supporting Ensign Gresley's cause

46. December 22, 1783

From St. Leger to [?]

Concerning plans for reduction of the provincial corps at Montreal

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47. [no date; probably early January 1778]

From Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger to Captain Francis Le Maistre,

deputy adjutant general

Concerning Captain Churchill's petition, who was improperly imprisoned, with Churchill's letter attached

48. December 20, 1777

From Captain George Churchill at Nouvelle Beauce to the Commanding Officer, 34th Regt at Quebec

Churchill's petition concerning his improper imprisonment

49. July 14, 1778

From St. Leger to Le Maistre

Request for "things wanted" by the regiment with report attached

50. July 14, 1778

From Quarter Master William Wood at Quebec to [?]

Report concerning need for implements to remove "nusances and rubbish that Surrounds the Barracks."

51. August 27, 1778

From Major A. Dundas at Quebec to Le Maistre at Montreal Concerning execution of general marching orders of August 24

52. November 30, 1779

From St. Leger at Quebec to Le Maistre

Concerning a memorial in the case of Mr. Blake, supporting promotion of Henry Stiles to surgeon, Stiles' memorial attached

53. October 20, 1779

From Surgeon's Mate Henry Stiles at Sorel to General Frederick

Haldimand, governor of Quebec

Memorial for promotion to surgeon

54. November 15, 1779

From Dundas at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning movements of troops and ships to Sorel; delays due to "bad weather and contrary winds"

55. December 2, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning returns and Surgeon Blake who was living "in idleness" but not reported as absent without leave

56. June 21, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre

Recommendation and request for permission to drum Moses Livermore out of the regiment for being a "notorious villain"

57. June 22, 1780

From Captain David Forbes, adjutant of the 34th Regiment, to St. Leger at

Report of the misdemeanors of Moses Livermore

58. August 31st, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to "His Excellency" [probably Governor

Haldimand]

Supporting Adjutant Forbes' wish to resign his position in favor of Ensign Maurice Atkin

59. September 14, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Major Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Concerning reassignment of Captain Shoud to a detachment command at

Niagara

60. October 12, 1780

From Dundas at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning Dundas' desire to purchase a lieutenant colonelcy if available;

hopeful comment about capture of "Mr. Laurence Late President of the Congress, with all their plans of operation..."

61. November 26, 1780

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult

Hoping for a promised donation from His Excellency to help the troops through the winter

62. November 29, 1780

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult

Concerning a grievance by Captain Anerum

63. June 6, 1781

From St. Leger to Le Maistre, now deputy adjutant general, at Quebec Concerning a possible promotion for Mr. Arden

64. August 11, 1781

From St. Leger to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning insufficient available captains to form a court martial, with attached distribution of officers

65. August 11, 1781

Reported by Ensign Maurice Atkin

Distribution of officers, by name, in the 34th Regiment

66. November 6, 1781

From St. Leger at Chimney Point to General Haldimand, governor of Quebec

Concerning the placement of junior ensign Maurice Atkin ahead of senior ensign W. Graham, with a request for rectification

31st Regiment of Foot field officer letters 1777-1783: 29 letters with dates from October 18, 1777 through November 30, 1783 (printed page numbers 127 through 182)

67. October 18, 1777

Lieutenant Colonel Jeremiah French at St. Johns to [?]

Concerning the memorial of Captain William Sanford for a commission in the regiment

68. December 20, 1777

From French at St. Johns to [?]

Concerning a scout bringing in rebels, including 1 captain, 2 lieutenants, and 1 private, apparently under a flag; seeking orders on what to do with them; other news of loyalists and spies

69. April 27, 1778

From Pay Master Bryer McCumming at St. Johns to French Concerning a request to obtain funds to make overdue payments

70. April 29, 1778

From French at St. Johns to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general at Quebec

Forwarding McCumming's letter and seeking action

71. June 21, 1778

From French at St. Johns to Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell at

Montreal

Concerning the provision of arms to officers

72. July 2, 1778

From French at St. Johns to [?]

Concerning Ensign Davis' memorial to purchase a vacant lieutenancy caused by Ensign Blankley's requesting a leave of absence

73. July 16, 1778

From French at Montreal to General Haldimand, commander in chief of British forces in Canada

Concerning and supporting a leave of absence for Ensign Blankley to return to England for personal reasons

74. December 26, 1778

From French at St. Johns to Le Maistre, adjutant general at Quebec Concerning Robert Johnson, a deserter

75. August 22, 1779

From French at St. Johns to Haldimand

Concerning the memorial on behalf of Ensign Davis and related matters

76. September 9, 1779

From French at St. Johns to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning volunteers, purchasing commissions and augmentation of the regiment

77. September 9, 1779

From French at St. Johns to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning the need and request for supplies

78. October 17, 1779

From French to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning a personal leave of absence for Lieutenant Bachan [?]

[no letters dated in 1780]

79. April 14, 1781

From French at Chateau Richer to Lernoult (adjutant general) Concerning conducting an inquiry into the complaint of the captain of militia against Captain Donaldson for having imprisoned him; French feels the complaint has no basis, at least to the extent it relates to him.

80. December 13, 1781

From French at Chateau Richer to Lernoult at Quebec Recommending Sergeant Major Matthew Thompson

81. December 17, 1781

From French at Chateau Richer to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning Matthew Thompson's recommendation'

82. April 4, 1782

From Major General Thomas Clarke at Quebec to Haldimand Concerning a request from Major Nairne to form a grenadier company

83. April 24, 1782

From Clarke at Quebec to Lernoult at Montreal Concerning regimental returns; the 31st return indicating "the whole totally unfit for Service"

84. May 6, 1782

From O. Tisdell, aid de camp at Montreal, to Lernoult Concerning a report on the "state of the camp equipage of the different corps in the district under his command"

85. May 9, 1782

From Clarke at Quebec to Lernoult

Concerning camp equipage and "my Treat to the Indians" 86. May 13, 1782 From Clarke at Quebec to Lernoult Pleasure that his Excellency is sending a detachment from the 84th to Carleton Island

87. May 13, 1782
From Clarke at Quebec to Haldimand
Concerning public works detachments from regiments, including the 31st;
arrival of a ship from New York but not the Pandora, from which it had
been separated

88. July 10, 1782 From Clarke at Quebec to Haldimand Concerning selling the commission of Lieutenant Bachan

89. October 14, 1782 From Clarke at Quebec to Haldimand Concerning clothing for the 31st not delivered, needed, and recommended to be supplied from clothing for the 62nd

90. April 21, 1783 From French at Point aux Trembles to Lernoult Concerning replacement of a soldier who died with volunteer John McCumming of the 31st

91. August 14, 1783 From Clarke to Lernoult Recommendation concerning an old soldier named Jeffries wishing to remain in Quebec and practice his trade

92. November 20, 1783 From Clarke to Lernoult Enclosing a return of Clarke's regiment and letter from "my Lieu't Colonel" stating that the number of men willing to re-enlist cannot be ascertained

93. November 20, 1783 From French to Clarke The letter Clarke enclosed with the return to Lernoult on the same date [above]

94. November 20, 1783 From French [to Clarke] Return of the present strength of the 31st regiment and enlistment status

95. November 30, 1783 By French at Quebec Formally written return for the 31st including those to be discharged November 30

8th "Royal Artillery" Regiment field officers letters 1778: 20 letters with dates from July 3, 1778 through December 1, 1778 (printed page numbers 183 through 227)

96. July 3, 1778
Major A. S. De Peyster at Michilimackinac to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, Montreal
Concerning the length of time taken to communicate with Michilimackinac, via Niagara

97. July 11, 1778

From Lieutenant Colonel Mason Bolton, garrison commander at Niagara, to Le Maistre

Concerning recommended replacement for Captain Powell, who had died, with Lieutenant Carnegy [?]; enclosing recommended discharge papers for soldiers unfit for service [not microfilmed]; news that Major Butler's "parties have taken forty four Prisoners and forty five Scalps and every day I expect to hear he has struck a blow of some Consequence"

98. August 10, 1778

From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre

Concerning supplying soldiers to the northwest by land and ship; movements of detachments; construction and repair of fortifications; Colonel Butler's information that "the Indians are a good deal dissatisfied"

99. August 12, 1778

Survey of the Ordnance at Niagara under Bolton's command [5 pages]

100. August 13, 1778

From Bolton at Niagara to Brigadier General Powell or officer commanding at Montreal

Sending to Montreal Sergeant McIntosh of the 34th regiment who made his escape from the Rebels"

101. August 14, 1778

From Francis Hereford of artillery stores to Lieutenant C. S. Colleton Demand of stores for Bolton's garrison for 1777 which had not yet arrived

102. August 16, 1778

From Bolton at Niagara to Powell at Montreal

Sending a lieutenant and four men prisoners to Dour [?] Island to be forwarded to Montreal

103. August 19, 1778

From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre

News of fighting with the rebels in Illinois country, including some Virginians and some Kaskaskia Indians; places mentioned include Detroit, the Cahokia settlement, and Vincennes

104. September 4, 1778

From Bolton at Niagara to Haldimand

Concerning Captain Bouchette's request to go to Montreal to settle some business; navy use of bateaux to send supplies to Fort Erie; similar subjects

105. [no date]

From 2nd Lieutenant of Artillery Herbert Du Vernet to De Peyster and Fernoult

"Return of Ordnance Stores wanting for the Garrisons of Detroit & Michilimackinac" [2 pages]

106. September 10, 1778

From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general Enclosing the monthly garrison return [not microfilmed]

107. September 13, 1778

From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre at Montreal

Concerning Lieutenant Yonge's [?] need to go to Montreal due to illness, with doctor's certificate enclosed

108. September 26, 1778

From Dr. Hugh Atley [?] Kennedy, physician & inspector at Montreal

Certificate of the ill health of Lieutenant Yonge

109. September 17, 1778 From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre Sending men to Montreal in hopes of bringing back clothing for the regiment

110. October 3, 1778
From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre
Sending some officers home; enclosing returns for ordnance stores needed at Detroit and Michilimackinac [probably the undated list, item 105]

111. October 12, 1778
From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre
Concerning the death of Mr. Smyth, commissary at Fort Erie, and recommending the drum major to replace him

112. [no date]
From Robert Matthews to Bolton
Concerning Mr. Smith and recommending replacing him with "Warren,
our Drum Major, for whom something has been a long time intended to be
done"

113. October 22, 1778
From De Peyster at Michilimackinac to Le Maistre
Enclosing several returns of the garrison [not microfilmed]

114. November 11, 1778 From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre Concerns about receiving clothing and being able to transport that and other goods by bateaux before winter

115. December 1, 1778
From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre
Concerning rumors of rebel activity toward Sandusky (Ohio) with possible intent of an expedition against Carleton Island

29th Regiment field officers letters 1778-1780: 19 letters with dates from September 15, 1778 through July 8, 1780 (printed page numbers 228 through 264)

116. September 15, 1778
Major Christopher Carleton at Isle au Noix to Captain Francis Le Maistre, adjutant general
Praising "emigrant" and loyalist Canadians for being good, hard workers at wood cutting; other related concerns

117. [no date] signed by William Johnston, Captain & Fort Adjutant List of prisoners take by Major Carleton, 40 numbered names

118. November 5, 1778
From Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Carleton [brother of General Guy Carleton; uncle of Christopher Carleton] at Montreal to Le Maistre "inclosing a letter from Capt Edge concerning German deserters, Copy of a letter from Capt Lernoult, and a Return of prisoners sent from the upper Posts to Montreal"

119. October 13, 1778 From Lernoult at Detroit to Lieutenant Colonel Bolton Concerning Lernoult's sending prisoners Josiah Dixon and James Calloway in irons to Niagara because of their "improper discourse" and other behaviors against His Majesty

120. November 2, 1778
From Captain [?] Edge, 73rd Regiment commander at Glen Tier [?] to Brigadier General Powell at St. Johns
Concerning capture of three deserters by Sergeant Hervey

121. October 26, 1778

Return of six prisoners (four rebel soldiers) sent from Niagara to Montreal by Lieutenant Colonel Mason Bolton, including the above mentioned Josiah Dixon and James Calloway

122. November 12, 1778
From Thomas Carleton at Montreal to Le Maistre
Concerning the exchange of prisoner Lieutenant England

123. December 11, 1778
From Christopher Carleton to Le Maistre at Quebec
Concerning cattle taken from a nearby community and "destroyed"

124. April 1, 1779 From Carleton at Isle aux Noix to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning Carleton's "distressed" situation and seeking help

125. August 16, 1779 From Carleton at Isle aux Noix to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning an error in the latest return sent to Le Maistre

126. October 8, 1779 From Carleton at Isle aux Noix to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning supplies and transport problems

127. December 4, 1779 From Carleton at Isle aux Noix to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning issues of troop strength

128. December 16, 1779 From Carleton to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning a lieutenancy that is to be sold

129. December 24, 1779
From Careton at Isle aux Noix to Le Maistre at Quebec
Concerning two men of the regiment who were absent without leave; one
was taken and the other gave himself up

130. April 1, 1780
From Carleton at St. Johns to [?; probably Le Maistre]
Return attached; requesting supplies, including ammunition to make the regiment useful for possibly going into the field. "The Reg't has not rec'd any ammunition since they left Montreal."

131. May 14, 1780 From Carleton at St. Johns to Le Maistre Concerning a second error in the regiment's return

132. June 3, 1780 From Carleton at Fort St. John to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning reducing troops at the post of Point au Feux

133. July 8, 1780

From Carleton at Chambly to Le Maistre Concerning a "circumstance relative to the Chasseurs'

134. July [?], 1780

Mr. Dickson Reide, surgeon's mate, 29th Regiment, at St. Johns Four-page report entitled "A Narrative of Facts relative to the Charge of the Sick Chasseurs at Isle aux Noix"

8th "King's" Regiment field officers letters 1779-1782: 12 letters with dates from February 12, 1779 through November 25, 1782 (printed page numbers 265 through 287)

135. February 12, 1779

From Lieutenant Colonel Mason Bolton at Niagara to Captain Le Maistre Enclosing a return, forwarded letters, and a list of medicines

136. [no date]

From Surgeon R. M. Grusland

Statement that "The Kings Regt at Niagara has not received any Supply of medicines from the General Hospital for near a year & a half", resulting in their being "subject to very great inconveniencies" and request for a list of medicines

137. September 8, 1779
From Bolton at Niagara to Le Maistre
Sending an overdue monthly return
138. December 2, 1779
From Bolton to Le Maistre
Sending another overdue monthly return

139. October 25, 1780
From Major A. S. De Peyster at Detroit to [?]
Concerning appointment of Captain Bird as acting engineer at Detroit

140. October 28, 1780

From De Peyster to Major Lernoult, adjutant general Concerning shifting troops between Michilimackinac and Detroit, difficulties of transport this late in the season, and news that Lieutenant Governor Sinclair and Captain Mompesson [?] do not "mention any thing of an Enemy at Chigagou"

141. July 13, 1782

From Lieutenant Colonel A. Dundas, 8th Regiment at Montreal to [?] Acknowledging orders to "repair without delay to Niagara"

142. August 11, 1782

From Dundas at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec Informing Lernoult of arrival at Niagara and that Brigadier General Powell had not yet returned from Detroit but was expected

143. September 2, 1782 From Dundas at Niagara to Lernoult Concerning a party of men sent to pick up clothing for the regiment plus other personnel business

144. October 24, 1782

From Dundas at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning various personnel matters; news that Lieutenant Butler and his rangers have been ill but that Butler wishes that one of his companies

continue at Oswego; break up of the ranger and Canadian volunteer camp at Sandusky

145. November 15, 1782 From Dundas at Niagara to Lernoult Concerning the discharge of two men and rationale for his recommendations

146. November 25, 1782 From Dundas at Niagara to Lernoult Concerning Lieutenant Bennett's willingness "to purchase in any established Regiment"

44th Regiment field officers, captains, and subalterns letters 1781-1783: 9 letters with dates from September 10, 1781 through December 6, 1783 (printed page numbers 288 through 304)

147. September 10, 1781

From Captain William Norton at Quebec to Captain Le Maistre, adjutant general

Concerning deserters who are "disheartened" by being in debt to their officers for the cost of necessary clothing (since the men generally arrived "naked"); seeking assistance from the commander in chief to resolve this problem

148. January 14, 1782

From Norton at St. Charles to Major Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Recommending again volunteer Samuel Tuffie to become an ensign in the place of Ensign Sullivan

149. April 26, 1782

From P. Sullivan, ensign in the 44th Regiment at New York to General Haldimand

[letter written in French] seeking permission to return to England to attend to his wife's poor health

150. May 1, 1782

From Norton at St. Charles to Lernoult at Quebec

Requesting that a soldier named White be assigned to a man of war, as he was a useless soldier

151. May 12, 1782

From Norton at St. Charles to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning the suffering of Captain Keugh from rheumatism

152. August 31, 1782

From Keugh to Lernoult

A slip of paper with the names:

"Wm Boullone [?] of St. Clair, 21 years of age" and

"Saml Tuffie 51 [?] d'o d'o"

153. August 12, 1782

From Lieutenant Colonel Henry Hope, commander of the 44th Regiment, at Quebec to Lernoult

List of three officers who "have returned themselves for purchase..."

154. November 21, 1783

From Hope at Quebec to Lernoult

Concerning upcoming discharges, reduction in force, and possible reenlistments: believe 210 are entitled to discharge and expect at least 118 to reenlist

155. December 6, 1783

Report by Hope at Quebec: "Return of the Number of Men in His Majesty's 44th Regiment of Foot Intitled to their Discharge, having been Inlisted since 16th December 1775...", a total of 251

29th Regiment field officers letters 1781-1783: 21 letters with dates from April 2, 1781 through December 13, 1783 (printed page numbers 305 through 345)

156. April 2, 1781

Major Christopher Carleton to [?; probably to Lernoult] Concerning a complaint from soldiers about not having received the commander's "bounty", a complaint thought by the writer to be "frivolous"

157. July 25, 1781

Major A. Campbell at St. Johns to Major Lernoult, adjutant general Enclosing "Muster Rolls of Royalists" [not microfilmed]

158. August 8, 1781

From Campbell to Lernoult at Quebec

Enclosing "Muster Rolls of Rogers's Corps of Royalists" and seeking forgiveness for "the blotted state I am obliged to send them in..." because of many alterations [not microfilmed]

159. April 26, 1782

From Carleton at La Chenaye to Lernoult at Montreal Concerning lack of "Camp Equipage" for the regiment, as what they brought from England two years ago was worn out; wishing for replacement

160. May 20, 1782

From Carleton to Lernoult

Enclosed "Return of the Flints" with request for 1,300 to re-establish the original number of 3,000 [not microfilmed]

161. July 15, 1782

From Carleton to Lernoult

Concerning purchases of lieutenancy positions with recommendations

162. August 1, 1782

From Campbell at Terrebonne to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning Carleton's July 15 letter, stating that parts of it were already resolved and that only one recommendation should have been sent

163. August 19, 1782

From Campbell at Terrebonne to Captain Matthews, secretary to the commander in chief, at Quebec

Recommending that Lieutenant Hollier be allowed to return to England (opening up one of the positions referred to in the two previous letters)

164. August 19, 1782

From Campbell at Terrebonne to Lernoult

Concerning another matter of purchased positions

165. October 3, 1782 From Major William Monsell at Montreal to Lernoult Requesting to know whether his son "is to succeed to the Ensigney..."

166. September 29, 1782 From Campbell at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning purchase of two lieutenancies, the next men in line have their money ready

167. October 6, 1782 From Campbell at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning sending four men ready for discharge, if approved

168. October 10, 1782 From Campbell at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning money for purchase of a lieutenancy

169. April 26, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Requesting that an ensign's name be removed from the list of those wishing to purchase a lieutenancy

170. June 11, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Matthews Concerning resignation of Ensign Harris

171. September 24, 1783 From Monsell at Montreal to Lernoult Concerning buying Ensign Harris' commission for his son James, requesting a favor "to serve a Brother Officer"

172. November 23, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning the reduction of troops in Canada, enclosing a return of those entitled to discharges, but remarking that many of them are "not fit to be Re inlisted upon a Pace Establishment" [not microfilmed] 173. December 9, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Concerning discharges with recommendations for retaining some supernumerary officers in their places

174. December 13, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Enclosing return of those enlisted since December 15, 1775 and those who have reenlisted and those choosing discharge

175. November 23, 1783 Report by Campbell Return of enlistees since December 15, 1775, total of 185 men, of which 35 had offered to reenlist

176. December 13, 1783 Report by Campbell Return of enlistees since December 15, 1775 with intentions for discharge on December 24, "next spring" or to reenlist, for a total of 159 men out of 184 men, excluding one man in Europe

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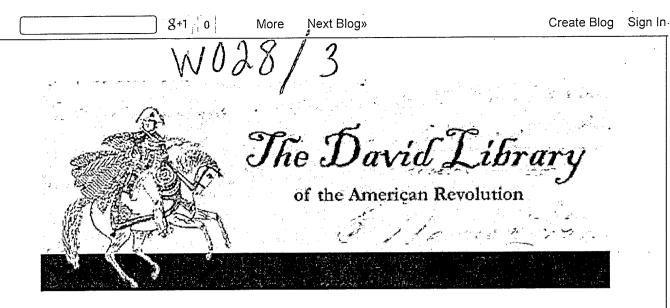
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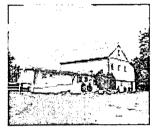
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This post continues the special installment of the Swain Report series: while most of David Swain's reports have provided a general finding aid to the collections they cover, this series constitutes a full catalog of all items in the War Office 28 microfilm rolls held by DLAR. The miscellaneous nature of the documents, which seem to be leftover returns and correspondence from British and Royal Provincial regiments in Canada, make composing a standard finding aid difficult. A full catalog is necessary for fully realizing the importance of these sources, which help to fill in the gaps left by other collections and provide important insights into the daily minutiae of military life, and to make them more user-friendly for researchers. We are very thankful that David has undertaken this intensive task, which has already revealed a number of interesting documents that might otherwise have been lost in the shuffle. For Installment 1, please click here.

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by David Swain

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53rd Regiment of Foot field officer letters 1778: 16 letters with dates from April 2, 1778 through August 5, 1778 (printed page numbers 1 through 40)

1. April 2, 1778

From Brigade Major George Mure at Montreal to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general at Quebec Concerning a petition in regard to the truth of allegations against Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell

2. April 6, 1778

From Mure at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning the deaths of Captains Scott of the 53rd and LeStrange of the 47th from drowning on their way to a general court martial; seeking advice on succession since the next-in-line officers are prisoners of the rebels

3. April 17, 1778 From Paymaster George Corrie at Chambly to Brigadier General Powell at

Montreal

Concerning a regimental contingent account request dated June 1777, for which a response has never been received, with request to advance funds needed

4. April 17, 1778

William Fraser, American Volunteers

Captain McAlpin's account of expenses, in taking and bringing a deserter from the 62nd regiment to Montreal, totaling £7.11.2

5. April 20, 1778

Mure at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Forwarding Paymaster Corrie's letter and Frazer's account of expenses [documents 3 and 4 above] at General Powell's behest, seeking advice on payment, and inquiring what should be done with the deserter

6. April 26, 1778

From Samuel Graves at Point au Feu to Powell at Montreal Concerning sending captive Edward Raymond to Powell; may have served with the rebels, won't talk, considered dangerous; papers found in his possession enclosed [not microfilmed]

7. June 6, 1778

From Powell at Montreal to General Frederick Haldimand, governor of Ouebec

Concerning a man absent without leave, a general court martial, and a soldier offering to gather intelligence in the Albany area

8. June 25, 1778

From Powell to General Guy Carleton

Concerning arrest of Ensign Williamson of the 29th for absence without leave, about which information can be had from Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Carleton (Guy's brother) and Major Christopher Carleton (Guy's and Thomas' nephew); other personnel matters

9. July 6, 1778

From Powell at Montreal to Haldimand

Concerning Ensign Williamson (Powell understands Haldimand has "tenderness in regard to him"), Andrew Robinson, also absent without leave, and other personnel matters

10. July 6, 1778

From Ensign Andrew Robinson of the 20th Regiment at St. Laurent to Powell at Montreal

Explaining his leave without absence due to unintentional neglect of the proper request procedures

11. July 9, 1778

From Powell at Montreal to Carleton

Concerning a contingent account request sent to Le Maistre; requesting that a member of the Carleton family carry dispatches from Brigadier General McLean to Lord George Germain, if convenient

12. July 9, 1778

From Powell at Montreal to Haldimand

Information that "most of the Indians are come down from Deer Island"; possible intelligence from a man named Campbell "who came in here a few days ago" who had been in Philadelphia in April

13. July 12, 1778

From Powell at Montreal to Haldimand

News of various matters, including that Ensign Robinson had gotten

married and that the minister was unaware Robinson was an army officer, and movements of troop detachments to Quebec

14. July 20, 1778

From Powell at Montreal to Haldimand

Concerning various matters, especially troop movements to and from Quebec; letter enclosed from Captain Mompesson

15. July 15, 1778

From Captain Mompesson, commander at Deer Island, to Powell Concerning supplies for the Indians, on whom the post relies as scouts for security; his scouts had found enemy scouts near Fort Stanwix; difficulty of getting Indians to do scouting; paying a trader \$3/gallon for rum for the Indians, who drink a lot of it; seeking other supplies, including cloth for clothes and shot for guns

16. August 5, 1778

From Captain John Shanks at Montreal to Powell at Montreal Letter's entire text: "This young man, Mich'l Namel has been in St. Johns for near two years, and, I do think him as far as French can be a good Subject"

53rd Regiment of Foot field officer letters 1781-1783: 22 letters with dates from February 19, 1781 through November 25, 1783, 1783 (printed page numbers 41 through 92)

17. February 19, 1781

From Major Arnold Philip Skine at Niagara to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general at Quebec Concerning enclosed regimental returns with alterations [not microfilmed]

18. April 9, 1781

From Skine at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning enclosed returns [not microfilmed]

19. July 3, 1781

From Skine at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning a court martial and enclosed return [not microfilmed]

20. October 18, 1781

From Skine at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning a letter from Major DePeyster concerning charges against Lieutenant Clowers

21. October 18, 1781

From Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning taking care of a court martial affair without bothering His Excellency, Commanding General Frederick Haldimand with it

22. October 4, 1781

From Skine at Niagara to [?; probably Lernoult] Sending enclosed return for the last month [not microfilmed]

23. December 28, 1780 [written date is 1780, but log-in date is 1781]

From Powell at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning copies of orders to Lieutenant Baker from Lieutenant Bolton, now deceased, to act as commander of the Caldwell, and a memorial by Baker; the original "orders going to the bottom, his hopes are gone down with her"; copies already sent to Haldimand; Baker through Powell hoping for positive consideration

24. April 2, 1782

From Major John Nairne at Point au Tremble to Lernoult Concerning a light infantry company of the 53rd Regiment; making detailed proposals concerning troop strength in each company; attached page with names of officers of "The two Additional Companys"

25. June 20, 1782

From Skine at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec Sending enclosed return with explanation of a difference of 20 rangers at Detroit [not microfilmed]

26. August 6, 1782

From Skine at Detroit to Lernoult at Quebec Sending enclosed "State of this Garrison" at Detroit [not microfilmed]

27. August 6, 1782

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning an application for leave for Lieutenant Digby, who is dangerously ill, to return to England

28. September 3, 1782

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult Concerning an enclosed memorial; also request to discharge an "incorrigible thief," Arthur Petty, who was under sentence from a court martial to be drummed out of the service

29. October 1, 1782

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult

Reporting sending Arthur Petty to Quebec and enclosing his discharge document [not microfilmed]; reporting that Petty endured 250 lashes, behavior improved, remaining 250 lashes forgiven, along with the ceremony of drumming out

30. July 28, 1782

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult

Concerning a request from Captain Wiseman to return to England to attend to urgent business matter; another request to return to Britain from Captain Dunlop; note on back side that "No promise can be made at present"

31. April 7, 1783

From Captain Thomas Scott at Montreal to [?] Request that he be returned to the Purchase List

32. May 21, 1783

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lenoult

Concerning a captured deserter, George Millen, whose prior behavior was good; recommending he be permitted to rejoin the regiment and be tried by a regimental court martial

33. June 6, 1783

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult

Concerning enclosed memorials, one concerning George Millen [not microfilmed]

34. June 30, 1783

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult

Cautiously making suggestions to reduce the number of officers in the regiment, since number of private men is reduced, little military work is needed, quarters space is limited, and the officers have many servants

35. July 26, 1783 From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult Concerning four soldiers who deserted, then turned themselves in five days later; requesting that they receive a regimental court martial

36. October 12, 1783 From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult Concerning promotion of Captain Mathews (rather than Captain Scott)

37. November 18, 1783 From Major John Baird to Lernoult at Quebec Sending again (the first delivery having "miscarried,") a return of officers and purchasers

38. [no date but per the order of November 25, 1783]
Return from Baird for the reduction of 1784
list [2 pages] of names of men in the regiment to be discharged December 24 (79), those taking the "Generals indulgence" (75), and those reenlisting (34)

84th Regiment field officer letters 1777-1778: 28 letters with dates from June 24, 1777 through December 31, 1778 (printed page numbers 93 through 157)

39. June 24, 1777

From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Montreal to Captain Foy Enclosing a warrant needing the general's signature; "Coll. St. Leger sett out yesterday afternoon with only 42 days provisions (as he tells me) for 3000 men": dispatches from General Carleton to General Burgoyne; he gave money to "the poor young man" Mr. May, who was carrying the dispatches, and who had been drinking "but I beg you will not mention this to the Generall"

40. September 10, 1777
Private letter from Maclean at Montreal to Foy
Concerning commissions, with enclosures of lists of officers [not microfilmed]

41. June 20, 1778

From Maclean at Quebec to General Sir Guy Carleton Concerning \pounds 5,000 he had requested to make payments due to the officers and troops of the regiment; seeking to justify the seemingly high amount; pleading his ability to account properly for the full amount

42. June 26, 1778 From Captain John Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

Explaining differences in returns and payments due because of 38 [or 42?] men captured by the rebels in South Carolina and since released

43. June 29, 1778

From Maclean at Quebec to Captain Lieutenant Fletcher at Quebec "I have been told you intend setting out for Isle aux Noix, I should be glad you would Stay a few days longer to save trouble to yourself and me, As I intend to apply to the Commander in Chief for a Court of Enquiry to clean up the Very heavy Charge brought against me by you."; a matter concerning a commission for a nephew and not to Fletcher

44. June 29, 1778

From Fletcher to Maclean

"Answer...I have received your letter and shall attend to its contents." [a crossed out letter follows at the bottom of the same side of paper]

45. July 3, 1778 [on the back side of the sheet of paper containing the previous

letter]

From Fletcher to Maclean

"My duty demands my speedily joining the Regiment..." so, he would appreciate immediate application to the commander in chief for the court of enquiry.

46. July 5, 1778 [on the same side of paper as the previous letter] From Fletcher to Maclean Plans to leave for Isle aux Noix on Tuesday next if he has not received "your orders to the contrary."

47. July 3, 1778 From Maclean to Le Maistre Concerning the date of Captain Robertson's commission

48. Formal copy of the previous letter

49. July 4, 1778
From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Le Maistre at Quebec
Special thanks for a special favor bestowed by His Excellency [not identified in the letter]

50. July 9, 1778 From Maclean to Fletcher

Castigating Fletcher for bringing what Maclean thinks are false charges; leaving it to Fletcher to seek a court of enquiry if he wishes; cutting off further communication with Fletcher

51. July 9, 1778

From Maclean at Quebec to Le Maistre

Requesting a list of officers of the Regiment of Royal Highland Immigrants and the succession of subalterns' commissions so as to calculate their pay

52. July 10, 1778

From Maclean at Quebec to Le Maistre

Thanks for receipt of the requested list; asking two additional questions about the appointment dates of two specific lieutenants on the list

53. July 11, 1778

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Maclean

Supporting Maclean against Fletcher and providing recollected information to support Maclean's side in the dispute; hoping that the regiment will "be relieved soon from this place"; concerning a leave of absence for Captain Alexander Fraser due to illness; concerning an application for discharge from Captain MacDougal

54. July 10, 1777 [the written date may be inaccurate; see document 41 above, dated June 20, 1778].

From Maclean to Carleton

Requesting assistance in clearing up the troop payment finances of the regiment, justifying the need for £5,284 "or more", of which two warrants totaling £2,284 have been received from General Howe at New York, leaving a balance of £3,000.

55. July 14, 1778 From Maclean at Quebec to Le Maistre Concerning Fletcher, who had memorialized the commander in chief to have Maclean court martialed, a memorial that Maclean describes as "in Every respect Erroneous" with details to justify himself

56. August 19, 1778

From Nairne to Le Maistre at Montreal

Again thankful for the commander in chief's favor of appointing him "to have Major's Rank in the Army in Canada"; seeking to learn "what I owe to you upon this, as well as upon other occasions"

57. August 30, 1778

From Lieutenant Donald McKinnon at Montreal to Nairne at Isle aux Noix Requesting a general court martial "to inquire into my Character which is cruelly & falsely aspersed"

58. August 31, 1778

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell at Montreal

Requesting relief after almost a year of hard work and much illness in the regiment

59. August 31, 1778

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to [the Commander in Chief] Regretting that "your Excellency should be troubled with an application for a General Court Martial" from an officer in the regiment; "there seems to be so little Cause", the problem is "the obstinacy and ungenerous behavior of the subaltern officers...against one of their brother officers, Lieut MacKinnon, who I can witness... is a Sober, faithful, and a brave old Soldier", etc.

60. September 3, 1778

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to General Frederick Haldimand Recounting difficulties of service at Isle aux Noix, especially wood cutting, the primitive living conditions, the construction of boats and fortifications nearly complete, fifteen men who emigrants from the Mohawk valley who wish to return to their families, etc.; requesting that the regiment be relieved as soon as possible

61. September 4, 1777 [date out of chronological order but appears accurate]

From Maclean at Montreal to Captain Foy, adjutant general, Quebec "Private" letter requesting that the commander postpone making out any commissions for the regiment "since I find that there is a gentleman in the Regiment who services and sufferings give him much better pretentions to the Commander in Chiefs protections for being promoted than either of the Capt. Lieutenants...D'ambourgesse and Fletcher"

62. September 29, 1778

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Sorel

Seeking an exchange for regiment men captured at Parson's house with six rebel prisoners confined at Montreal; enclosing letter from the regiment men

63. September 8, 1778

From Sergeant Robert Lee of the "R H Emegrants" at Albany to [?] Seeking exchange for imprisoned British soldiers Robert Lee, William Fraisor, Alexander McDonald, and Samuel Appleton "of Our Reg't" along with William Price of the 24th and Jonathan Nicolson of the 47th

64. October 2, 1778

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre

Representing the interests of the captains of the regiment concerning "the

hardship they ly under by Continuing to do Major MacDonald's Duty, without the Smallest Chance of his ever joining the Regiment"; also concerning their request for "the ordinary allowance of twenty pounds a year to each captain"; also seeking funds for recruiting

65. November 8, 1778
From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec
Requesting leave of absence of three or four weeks to go to Mal Bay to
attend to personal business there

66. December 31, 1778
From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec
Sending Mr. Pringle back to Quebec "as the Duty of the Regiment at
present, permits to grant him that indulgence—"; acknowledgment of
receipt of "Paroles and Countersigns for the next month"; will send a
deserter to Colonel Pretorius

84th Regiment field officer letters 1778-1779: 22 letters with dates from February 2, 1778 through December 7, 1779, excluding enclosures dated in 1776 (printed page numbers 158 through 211)

[Note: microfilmed items are not organized chronologically in this set of letters. More or less, they are by author in reverse chronological order.]

67. December 7, 1779 Major John Nairne, regimental commander, at St. Laurence Parish, Island of Montreal, to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec

Reporting troop movements from Carleton Island to Montreal; requesting leave of absence of two months to go to Mal Bay

68. November 7, 1779

From Nairne at Carleton Island to Le Maistre

Concerning a procuring a lieutenant's commission for Lieutenant Smith; recommending Mr. MacNab for a commission; news from Niagara that the rebels destroyed the four block houses and fort at Tyoga and evacuated the post; news that Indians from Detroit attacked and destroyed a party of 50 rebels commanded by Colonel Rogers, who were escorting a large supply of clothing destined for the garrison at Fort Pitt; seeking permission to send some of Carleton Island's troops "Down this winter to Canada...as we are very much crowded"

69. March 15, 1779 From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning Lieutenant Maclean, a young man arrived from Nova Scotia lacking a commission, seeking approval for an appropriate commission

70. November 1, 1779 From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Montreal to Le Maistre Concerning troop movements

71. October 26, 1779
From Maclean at Quebec to Le Maistre
Requesting a copy of the proceedings of the court of enquiry concerning
Captain Grant, which "is Essential Necessary for me in my Own
Justification"

72. September 5, 1779

From Maclean at Quebec to Le Maistre

Informing that "Not as Many Men may got of the 34th Reg't as will relieve the Party of the 84th Reg't Guarding the prisoners", as the party of the 84th "is go off on Tewsday the 7th to carry up three Battoes to Montreal"

73. March 1, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre

Providing much detail concerning the situation of Lieutenant Maclean, arrived from Nova Scotia but without a commission, which may have been offered to Maclean in 1776 by Brigadier General Allan Maclean [a relative]; concerning a Lieutenant Price who was appointed Lieutenant by Sir Guy Carleton, but the order got lost; also concerning Lieutenant Stratten, who "is said to have a Commission from Genl Gage" but who may be a prisoner of the rebels; Price and Stratten are ahead of Maclean in line for commissions, but Maclean may be preferred over the other two; a German deserter has gone off "we Suppose somewhere down the Country"; a return of arms is enclosed and request for supplies

74. February 1, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre

Concerning several deserters: Campbell "may be trusted, and [we] shall engage him in our corps"; three deserters will hopefully be captured; Lauchlin Connors is "so notorious a Rascal" that he is imprisoned in the Provost and trial by a general court martial is requested for him; concerning other men: George Sword and Edward Juel of the 62nd applied to join the 84th after having been prisoners of the rebels; concerning several promised discharges; return on ammunition enclosed; request for arms to replace 39 given to artillery at St. Johns, 6 lost during the attack on Parson's house, and 32 for recruits

75. January 16, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning Robert Campbell, deserter, confined in the Provost, wants to serve in the regiment; awaiting news of His Excellency's decision on what to do with him

76. July 6, 1778

From Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning a general court martial to be convened on "Tuesday the 14th"; concerning the number of captains on duty; concerning preparations for His Excellency's upcoming visit to Powell's post

77. [Handwritten note by the British letterbook keeper "Undated Letter enclosed with Mure's letter to Le Maistre of April 30, 1778"; this actually applies to items numbered 78 through 87; Mure's letter is item 88.]

78. [no date]

From William Gillaland to Mr. Edward Raymond at Bessborough A personal letter concerning purchase of a young woman as a slave

79. [no date]

"Names of the Canadians who were taken Pris'ers at Bennington and made their Escape from Albany the 4th of April List with seven names

80. "the last of June 1776"

"The United States to Edw'd Raymond at Bessborough" An invoice or other accounting of goods with a total value of £140.13.0 [see Raymond's complaints below about valuable goods taken by American forces from his house and mill, for which he requested compensation]

81. February 2, 1778

Legal document signed by Ladok [maybe Zadok?] Everest, "complainant to

Council at Bennington against John Gale for being Inimical to his Country" empowering Captain Edward Raymond to act as his attorney in this case; witnessed by John Cannon and Benajah Webster

82. [no date]

"Some brief Observations upon the Lordences" [?]

Testimony of six people about John Gale's behavior from John Nickless, Anne Dudley, Esther Everest, Benajah Webster, Sarah Squire the second, Esther Ward

[note on document by British letterbook keeper "No. 4, Observations: Upon some Evidences on the Trial of one Gale Suspected by the Rebels to give some intelligences to the English"]

83. April 30, 1778

From Edward Raymond in confinement at Montreal to [Major Gray?] [note on reverse by British letterbook keeper "No. 10, Raymond's Letter Supposed to Major Gray"]

Letter explaining his actions at Ticonderoga and at his home on a lake; professing loyalty to Britain; requesting release from confinement

84. April 30, 1778

From Raymond in confinement at Montreal to General Guy Carleton [note on reverse by British letterbook keeper "No. 9, Pettition of Raymond to Sir Guy Carleton"]

Insisting that he was not at Ticonderoga as a part of the American army, nor did he have a commission as captain in that army

85. October 15, 1776

"An Abstract for the Pay Left Robert Peaslee WM at 7d per day from ye 13 Augt 1776 until ye 8 Sept 1776 and from ye 8 Sept unto the last Sept Edwd Raymond WM and Men from ye 5 augt until the last Sept at 3d per day" Pay list with men's names, including Edward Raymond WM, whose wages due were £8.2.5; signed by Edward Leatherbee and others

86. September 24, 1776

From Colonel Thomas Hartley at Crown Point to Mr. Raymond, "Waggon Master Living in the Fort at Ticondaroga"

Concerning apprehension of three men (a sergeant and two corporals) who improperly acquired boards from Raymond's mill, were imprisoned, and were awaiting a general court martial

87. August 31, 1776

From Udny [?] Hay, A.D.J.M:G of the Rebels at Ticonderoga to Raymond Requisitioning the running gears for Raymond's mill, having the value calculated, but assuming that he will willingly "serve the noble cause in which we are all engaged" and that he will "do every thing in your power to expedite the Bearer in getting the same removed with the utmost safety and dispatch"

88. April 30, 1778

From Major George Mure at Montreal to Le Maistre

Enclosing a letter from Captain Graves relative to Edward Raymond along with papers found in Raymond's possession and his petition to Carleton, numbered 1 through 11 [documents 78 and 80-87]; also enclosed, a list of Canadians captured at Bennington [document 79]; reporting that the Canadians provided little useful intelligence because of the language barrier, but did report an engagement between Clinton and Gates near New York in which the rebels lost 7,000 men, and Gates retreated toward Albany

84th Regiment field officer letters 1780: 27 letters

with dates from March 6, 1780 through December 28, 1780 (printed page numbers 212 through 285)

89. March 6, 1780

From Lieutenant R. McDonnel, adjutant, and Quarter Master Duncan Murray at Montreal to Brigadier General Allan Maclean Requesting pardon for a drunken "squabble" among Murray and two Lieutenants McDonnels (one of the 84th) that has since been patched up

90. March 28, 1780 [or March 23]

From Major John Adolphus Harris at St. Laurent to Maclean Concerning "the Adjutant and Quarter Masters Affair" "The Regiment are of the Opinion that they cannot do Duty with Them, till they have exculpated themselves before a General Court Martial."

91. March 23, 1780

From Harris at St. Laurent to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

Concerning a discharge, troop strength issues, and suggestions for new recruitment and incentives

92. April 3, 1780

From Harris at St. Laurent to Le Maistre at Quebec Explaining an error in the last regimental return

93. April 6, 1780

From Maclean at Montreal to General Frederick Haldimand Recounting the steps he had taken to try to resolve the "adjutant and quarter master affair", but that a general court martial had been requested; suggestion that before or instead, the commander order a new, more complete court of enquiry; enclosing letters from Harris and Quarter Master Murray [probably documents 89 and 90 above]

94. April 13, 1780

From Maclean to Haldimand

Reporting receipt of requested arms supplies, which are short of what is needed for immediate use; enclosing an arms return to document additional needs [not microfilmed]

95. May 1, 1780

From Harris at St. Laurent to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning returns; suggesting that the "adjutant and quarter master affair" has been "misrepresented," without offering details, suggesting that he could clear things up easily

96. May 26, 1780

From Major John Nairne at Malbay to Le Maistre Reporting that seven rebel prisoners had escaped and apparently were

being helped, or at least not hindered, by the local countrymen; 13 other prisoners remain, who wish to be exchanged; problems also with deserters

97. June 5, 1780

From Nairne at Malbay to Le Maistre

One escaped prisoner and one deserter were captures; plans for and beginning work on a barracks here

98. June 7, 1780

From Harris at St. Laurent to Le Maistre at Quebec

Written partly in confidence; the adjutant and quarter master continue to request a court martial or be allowed to resign with their records clear; Harris wishes to support their interest with the commander; he believes

his own reputation as an officer is at stake

99. June 26, 1780

From Major William Dunbar at Berthier to Le Maistre at Quebec Asking how much powder is needed, "the 1st Battalion of the 84th Regt having a number of recruits, that have never yet made use of Powder"; expressing concern that important officers are being asked away to attend a court martial in Montreal

100. July 1, 1780 From Nairne at Malbay to Le Maistre Concerning the problem of deserters; insufficiency of supplies

101. July 12, 1780 From Harris at Sault au Recollects to Le Maistre Concerning an enclosed letter by Ensign Archibald McDonnel [not microfilmed]

102. September 21, 1780

From Harris at La Prairie to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general

Concerning Harris' arrest of Captain Neil McLean, who was subsequently reprimanded by Brigadier General Maclean pursuant to a general court martial, and who subsequently approached Harris with a set of pistols, seeking satisfaction; Harris seeking assistance with the commander in chief to defuse the situation

103. September 21, 1780
From Harris at La Prairie to Le Maistre at Quebec
Concerning the situation with Captain Neil McLean; seeking general
orders and clarification about to whom he properly should be reporting

104. October 3, 1780 From Harris to Lernoult Thanking Lernoult for his response concerning Captain McLean, which he had communicated to McLean; enclosing an answer from McLean

105. October 1, 1780 From Captain Neil McLean to [?]
Expressing his willingness to "resign for the requested [?] price..."

106. October 4, 1780
From Harris at La Prairie to Lernoult at Quebec
Expressing fears he may have handled the procedures for Captain McLean
incorrectly, prior to the commander in chief's order that McLean should do
no more duty for the regiment; supporting giving McLean permission "to

no more duty for the regiment; supporting giving McLean permission "to sell his Company"

107. October 8, 1780

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre

Concerning efforts by Mr. Jessup and Mr. Peters to recruit new members for their battalions; enclosing a monthly return that was not easy to make up due to confusion of personnel; promising to send a return "to Captain Mathews of the families of Royalists who drew Kings provisions in this District"

108. October 16, 1780 From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult Concerning a memorial from Mr. McLeod

109. November 13, 1780 From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult Enclosing letters from Captain Neil McLean and Captain Alexander Fletcher; the latter having given "uncommon Service" through "great trouble and Expense" to conduct recruiting for the regiment [enclosures not microfilmed]

110. November 19, 1780

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult

Concerning permission granted for Lieutenant Archibald McLaine to go to Quebec to seek a leave of absence from the commander in chief because "he has lost the Command of a Company at Home"

111. November 20, 1780

From Allan Mclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning assignments of supernumerary captains and ensigns in the regiment; recommending again "a Namesake of Mine, a Volunteer in the 84 Regiment" for assignment.

112. November 20, 1780

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult

Informing Lernoult that Harris has permitted Captain Neil McLean to go to Quebec to settle money matters and await his signing of his resignation

113. November 30, 1780

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult

Acknowledging receipt of orders concerning "the Barracks at this place"; sending Captain Neil McLean's resignation [not microfilmed]

114. December 4, 1780

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec

Enclosing a letter from Lieutenant John McLean

115. December 28, 1780

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult

Conveying request from Lieutenant "Ran'd" McDonnel to sell his commission for £300 and his recommendation of Lieutenant David Smith to succeed him as adjutant

84th Regiment field officer letters 1781: 28 letters with dates from January 1, 1781 through December 18, 1781 (printed page numbers 286 through 356)

[Note: microfilmed items are not organized chronologically in this set of letters. Instead, they are organized in reverse chronological order.]

116. December 18, 1781

From Major John Adolphus Harris at Batiscan to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

Concerning Lieutenant Smith, whose subalterns serving under him had requested not to do duty under him after an "affair"; Harris having advised Smith to absent himself from the mess and his duties; Smith having done so and having expressed his feeling that a court martial would be tough for him, but that he wanted to regain the confidence of his men and his commander

117. October 29, 1781

From Major William Dunbar at Montreal to [General Frederick

Haldimand, commander in chief]

Expressing unhappiness to the commander in chief at being assigned to duty under a major with lesser seniority than himself; seeking redress

118. October 19, 1781

From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Montreal to Haldimand Observing that clothing of the 21st Regiment has been reassigned to the 84th; that the dress of the 84th is "different from any other Regiment in Canada," including tartan hose, plaids, and bonnets rather than stockings, britches, and hats; requesting that the general issue a specific order requiring the change of dress for the 84th so as to make the change legitimate and acceptable

119. September 27, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning Captain Neil McLean, who is detained in Montreal until bill holders are satisfied, and who has no authorized source of subsistence in Canada; seeking assistance; enclosing letter from Captain McLean

120. September 26, 1781

From Captain Neil McLean at Montreal to Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Montreal

Explaining his financial situation; requesting help in getting subsistence approved

121. September 17, 1781

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting on having delivered two apprentices to McLeod; received McLeod's memorial and Mr. McKinnon's answer from Maclean; recaptured escaped rebel prisoner Lytle

122. September 16, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Supporting the desirability of permitting Lieutenant Smith to "sell out" his commission, as he has requested in the enclosed letter; expressing his (Maclean's) sorrow at the situation of "this poor unfortunate young man"; planning to recommend Smith for a position with the East India Company that will "get him sent out to Bengal or Madrass on a very good footing"

123. September 14, 1781

From Lieutenant David Smith at Sorel to Maclean at Montreal Describing his "unfortunate situation" and requesting permission to sell his commission and leave Canada

124. September 13, 1781

From Harris at Sorel to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec

Concerning personnel matters: Thomas Taylor who escaped from the hospital and has not since been hard of; Captain Robertson to be relieved

125. October 27, 1780

List, by James Sawers, clerk of artillery stores, of arms (English muskets, French muskets, cartouch boxes) at Sorel

126. September 10, 1781

Return, signed by Harris, of arms of the 1st Battalion of the 84th Regiment

127. September 10, 1781

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec

Informing Lernoult that McLeod has confined his two apprentices, Mc Donald and McIntyre, both soldiers in the 84th; extract and warrants enclosed [not microfilmed]; concerning the deficiency of arms for the division, steps taken concerning the deficiency, and request for assistance

128. September 3, 1781

Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Supporting Lieutenant Smith's request for permission to sell his commission; stating that he never improperly tried to interfere in Major Harris' command of the regiment, until he assumed powers beyond the rules of service

129. September 3, 1781

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult

Stating that he had acquainted Maclean with his application concerning Lieutenant Smith and that he had not thought it necessary to ask his consent; "I shall however be more circumspect in the future."

130. August 27, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Haldimand

Explaining that he had sought to avoid disputes with Major Harris, but that Harris had "assumed to himself the Power of recommending Officers to sell out, of others to succeed them, without any Previous knowledge or Communication with me"; asking for clarification of "how far the authority of Major Harris extends in such cases"

131. August 20, 1781

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult

Requesting permission for Lieutenant David Smith, "from being much embarrassed in his Circumstances and from some disputes...to dispose of his Lieutenantcy"

132. [no date—enclosed with document 134]

Note by Harris stating that he had confined Samuel Graham (or Grimes), and William Way "on suspicion of an Intention to desert, holding a Correspondence with a rebel prisoner, and receiving from him a Route for New England and papers supposed to contain Intelligence for the enemy"

133. [no date—enclosed with document 134]

Note by Harris stating that he had arrested Ensign Pringle and Ensign Neil McLean for using improper language to Lieutenant Smith and for shirking their duties

134. July 30, 1781

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec

Explaining the incidents leading to arrest of Ensigns Pringle and Neil McLean and of soldiers Graham and Way, enclosing notes stating their crimes

135. February 1, 1781

From Major William Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Making a repeat request for a copy of the court of enquiry held in 1778, Brigadier General Powell presiding, to examine the ranks of officers in the regiment

136. January 29, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Suggesting "how necessary it would be to have the dispute about Rank among the Lieut's of the 84th Ref/t determined soon"

137. January 18, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning double commissions held by quarter masters, which are causing confusion in the determination of relative ranks

138. January 11, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Recommending that Quartermaster Duncan Murray be permitted to purchase an ensigncy and become a commissioned officer

139. January 4, 1781

From Harris at Sorel to Lernoult

Recognizing from the enclosed letter that Maclean "means to object to the Purchase" of Lieutenant Smith's commission and pointing out that he (Harris) had acquainted Maclean with his actions, that MacLean had initially objected because "he intended it for Lieut Hector McLean", but that McLean had declined purchasing it, about which Harris had informed Maclean.

140. January 1, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Harris

Accusing Harris of exceeding "the limits of your authority" by making decisions about promotions without his (Maclean's) knowledge, which is improper, "however much you may wish to make a Cypher of me"; stating his intention of taking the matter to the commander in chief

141. Copy of Maclean's previous letter to Harris

142. January 1, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Requesting that a copy be sent to Lieutenant Colonel St. Leger of the proceedings of the court of enquiry of April 1778 to determine the rank of officers in the regiment

143. January 1, 1781

From Maclean to Lernoult

Opposing the application for Adjutant McDonnel to sell out and for Lieutenant Smith to be the purchaser, because Major Harris made his recommendations without consulting Maclean; accuses Harris of having "taken up the Opinion, that he is to all intents and purposes Colonel of the 84 regiment, and can in that respect, act as he pleases, without any Communication with me"; providing evidence from British army practice elsewhere to support his position and pleading his case

84th Regiment field officer letters 1782: 34 letters with dates from March 6, 1782 through December 1, 1782 (printed page numbers 357 through 443)

[Note: microfilmed items are not organized chronologically in this set of letters. Instead, they are organized in approximately reverse chronological order.]

144. December 1, 1782

From Major John Adolphus Harris at Carleton Island to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, Quebec

Informing Lernoult that Harris had given Lieutenant Smith leave to "go to Canada for the Winter"; enclosing papers about Lieutenant Prentice concerning "his first scrape", for which Harris had pardoned him

145. October 28, 1782

From Harris at Montreal to Lernoult

Promoting himself for promotion to lieutenant colonel, hoping to purchase the lieutenant colonelsey he thinks Brigadier General Maclean might be selling; also hoping to receive major's half pay during the upcoming reduction in force

146. October 27, 1782

From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Carleton Island to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting on movement of his troops toward Oswego; wishing to make some promotions at Oswego but awaiting general orders from the commander in chief

147. October 21, 1782

From Maclean at The Cedars to Lernoult at Quebec Recommending the memorial of Captain Malcolm Fraser, partly as a means of moving on, beyond "some of the disagreeable disputes we have for some time had amongst us"

148. October 21, 1782 From MacLean at The Cedars to Lernoult at Quebec Enclosing a letter from Brigade Major William Dunbar [apparently document 150]

149. October 20, 1782 From MacLean at La Chine to Lernoult at Quebec Forwarding a packet to the commander in chief via Captain Mathews, including a memorial and letter from MacLean

150. October 19, 1782 From Major William Dunbar at Montreal to Maclean Seeking to submit a memorial on his own behalf to give him a better situation after the impending peace than the captain's half pay he could otherwise expect

151. October 19, 1782 From MacLean at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning several pending purchases of commissions

152. October 19, 1782 From Maclean at La Chine to Lernoult at Quebec Thanking Lernoult for a letter just received from him

153. October 15, 1782 From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning several pending purchases of commissions

154. [no date]
"The Successions in the 84th Regt" with a note on the back by Allan
Maclean
Concerning several pending purchases of commissions

155. October 14, 1782 From Maclean to [probably Lernoult] Concerning several pending purchases of commissions and the enclosed list of successions

156. October 4, 1782
From Maclean at Quebec to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief
Concerning Lieutenant David Price who has had this rank for about five years "but never joined" and was "requesting leave to quite the Service"; requesting that the matter be handled; also requesting that Captain Lawe [?] be allowed to sell his commission

157. October 4, 1782 From Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult at Quebec Enclosing a letter to the commander in chief

158. August 3, 1782

From Lieutenant Dambourgesse to Lernoult

Enclosing his lieutenant commission, which he believes has an erasure and therefore chooses not to accept; seeking clarification about the accurate "date of my Rank as Lieut in the Service"

159. August 2, 1782

From Harris at Batiscan to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec

Concerning Ensign Robertson, seeking approval for him to join the regiment

160. July 30, 1782

From Harris at Batiscan to Lernoult

Sending two rebels enlisted into the regiment but then not approved by Harris; also sending a deserter [this letter microfilmed twice; also document 162]

161. August 2, 1782

From Harris at Batiscan to Le Maistre at Quebec

Explaining that Ensign Robertson is in Montreal; hoping that he might join the regiment

162. July 30, 1782

From Harris at Batiscan to Lernoult

Sending two rebels enlisted into the regiment but then not approved by Harris; also sending a deserter [this letter microfilmed twice; also document 160]

163. July 24, 1782

From Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Concerning Captain MacLaine, who had been arrested, and an upcoming court martial, enclosing letters pertaining to the case

164. July 20, 1782

List by Maclean of twelve "witnesses that are to be cited" for the upcoming court martial

165. July 19, 1782

From Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Explaining the crime of Captain Archibald MacLaine, "for behaving unbecoming the Character of a Gentleman and an Officer", with formal statement enclosed

166. July 15, 1782

Formal statement by Maclean of charges against Captain Lieutenant Archibald MacLaine

167. July 17, 1782

From Maclean to Haldimand

Requesting approval for Quarter Master Murray to be assigned to one of two ensign commissions now available and that he be allowed to dispose of his quarter master commission

168. July 17, 1782

From Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Concerning proper procedure for the arrest and court martial of Lieutenant MacLaine

169. June 21, 1782

From Harris at Batiscan to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning Ensign Magrath, who had refused to sign his resignation until he heard from friends in Quebec; Harris stating that "I should wish to decline having any thing more to do with his affairs."

170. June 10, 1782 From Harris at Batiscan to Lernoult Concerning Ensign Magrath and deserter/spy John Stout

171. June 6, 1782 From Harris at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning Lieutenant John MacLean, who has resigned, and Ensign MacDougal

172. May 24, 1782 From Harris at Batiscan to Lernoult at Montreal Concerning "principal Evidences" for a potential court martial [of Ensign Magrath]

173. May 13, 1782 Formal statements by Harris of charges against Ensign Magrath (confining the sergeant commanding the baggage guard) and Lieutenant John Maclean (misusing regimental money)

174. May 13, 1782 From Harris at Batiscan to Lernoult Enclosing statements of crimes by Ensign Magrath and Lieutenant Maclean

175. [no date]
Formal statement by Harris of charges against Lieutenant David Smith for "behaving unbecoming the Character of an Officer and a Gentleman" in seven specific instances

176. May 6, 1782 From Harris at Batiscan to Lernoult Enclosing a statement of crimes by Lieutenant Smith

177. March 16, 1782 From Dunbar at Montreal to Lernoult Explaining delay in his returning to duty after a leave to attend to personal matters

84th Regiment field officer letters 1783: 20 letters with dates from April 10, 1783 through November 6, 1783 (printed page numbers 444 through 493)

178. April 10, 1783 From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Niagara to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general Concerning Captain Malcolm Fraser, who wishes to retire; enclosed letter from Fraser [not microfilmed]

179. April 29, 1783 From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult Quarter Master Duncan Murray has found a purchaser for his commission, a man named John Murray; requesting that a commission for John Murray be drawn up

180. May 6, 1783 From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult Requesting, if a captain lieutenant vacancy opens up in the regiment, that the commander in chief consider filling it with Lieutenant Hector Maclean 181. May 27, 1783

From Major John Adolphus Harris to Lernoult

Enclosing a return of the officers for purchase in the regiment and a letter by Maclean concerning John Murray's succession to the quarter master position

182. June 10, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Concerning former Captain MacLaine, who owes the regiment "near Two Hundred pounds," which needs to be paid by MacLaine or by the new Captain Lieutenant

183. June 10, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Maclean

Requesting Maclean to recommend Lieutenant Hector MacLean and Ensign Pringle, the eldest officers in succession, for promotion

184. June 10, 1783

185. June 21, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Maclean Concerning the captain lieutenancy vacancy

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From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Reporting that a general court martial will be completed soon and that general orders have been received; enclosing two letters from Harris about the captain lieutenancy vacancy; supporting both MacLean and Pringle; commenting that "Except two steps by Purchase, nothing has Ever gone in the Regt but by Purchase"

186. June 22, 1783

From Harris tat Carleton Island to Lernoult

Lieutenant Smith is absent without leave after having been absent with leave

187. July 1, 1783

From Captain Malcolm Fraser at Quebec to [?]

Stating that he has decided to sell out his commission, if he gets permission, and that he is settling his money matters; enclosing a letter by Maclean on his behalf

188. July 2, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Thanking His Excellency for ordering a quarter master commission for John Murray; again promoting his recommendation for captain lieutenant, although it may already be promised to someone else

189. July 4, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Enclosing monthly and ammunition returns [not microfilmed]; Lieutenant Smith is still absent without leave

190. July 19, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Concerning his leave, payment of former Captain MacLaine's debts, Lieutenant Smith's absence

191. July 25, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Captains Fraser and Grant have arrived at quarters but Lieutenant Smith is still absent

192. August 15, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Enclosing the resignation of Lieutenant Ronald Macdonell and supporting it; recommending Simon Fraser (son of Captain Fraser) to be an ensign

193. September 10, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Lieutenant Prentice has called three Naval Department men as evidence, which will delay the court martial concerning the "affair of the Riot"

194. August 23, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Concerning a court of enquiry and an upcoming general court martial concerning Lieutenant Prentice; enclosing proceedings of the court of enquiry [not microfilmed]

195. November 28, 1782

Copy of letter by Lieutenant Samuel Walter Prentice at Carleton Island to [probably Harris]

Stating that the proceedings of the court of Enquiry are generally accurate; that he regrets the part he had in the affair and is willing to make atonement

196. August 23, 1783

Formal statement by Harris at Carleton Island of charge against Lieutenant Prentice for stating one thing in his letter of 1782 and something very different before a general court martial [in 1783]

197. November 6, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Forwarding a request from Lieutenant McKinnon [not microfilmed]; requesting that the commander in chief honor it

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This report is the third in the series of Volunteer Research Assistant David Swain's catalog of War Office 28, Miscellaneous Headquarters Papers of British and Provincial Regiments in Canada. As noted in previous installments, David's work is one-of-a-kind and is making this often over-looked series of documents easily accessible for the first time in its archival history. This installment covers papers of the Royal Provincial Corps and Butler's Rangers, units consisted of American Loyalists raised for British Service. Butler's Rangers was separate from the Royal Provincial Corps, which was recognized as part of the British Army, while Butler's Corps was treated in a manner comparable to modern civilian contractors. Aside from the Walter Butler Papers at Library and Archives Canada, War Office 28 represents one of the largest assemblages of documents from this crucial unit. The papers of the Royal Provincial units provide vital material for understanding the very unique experiences of these soldiers and their families, which contrasted significantly with that of the Royal Provincial regiments with the British Army on the American east coast. In addition, this section includes files from the Canadian Fencible Corps, covering the years 1802-1805.

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Note: The compiler of this annotated list has numbered the microfilmed documents consecutively within each reel. These numbers do not appear on the microfilm and are used here only to maintain a sense of order in the contents.

"Letterbooks" among these documents are not actually bound books but are folders of separate-page letters kept at the time by regiments. The microfilm copies of these letters are mostly in chronological order, with a few exceptions. Apparently at a later time, archivists added consecutive printed numbers to the letter pages within each part. These printed numbers are noted in this list for each letterbook or document set.

28.4. Butler's Rangers; Canadian Fencible Corps; Jessup's Rangers; Rogers' Rangers; Royal Highland Emigrants (84th Regiment); McAlpin's Loyalist Volunteer Corps (Reel 3)

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- * Jessup's Loyalist Rangers, field officer letters, 1783: 12 documents; documents 150 through 161; printed page numbers 195 through 209
- * Royal Highland Emigrants (84th Regiment), letters and papers, 1778-1782: 43 documents; documents 162 through 204; printed page numbers 210 through 265
- * Loyalist Corps of Volunteers commanded by Captain Daniel McAlpin, returns, 1778-1781: 19 documents; documents 205 through 223; printed page numbers 266 through 286

Itemized, annotated contents:

Butler's Rangers, letters and papers, 1775-1781: 15 letters with dates from March 31, 1779 through September 30, 1781 (printed page numbers 1 through 17)

1. March 31, 1779 From Major John Butler at Quebec to [?] Concerning matters of pay and supplies, with enclosed report by Walter Butler of pay records by company

2. [no date] Monthly return for the Corps of Rangers, stationed at Niagara, received March 26, 1779

3. [no date] copy of monthly return for the Corps of Rangers at Niagara

4. April 8, 1779 Subsistence accounting (pay bill) for the Corps of Rangers from October 25, 1778 to May 24, 1779, done at Quebec; total amount £11,837.2.9

5. April 8, 1779 Subsistence accounting (pay bill) for the Corps of Rangers from October 25, 1778 to May 24, 1779, done at Quebec; copy prepared by Captain Walter Butler [John's son], signed by John Butler; total amount £12,429.13.2

6. April 8, 1779

Subsistence accounting (pay bill) for the Corps of Rangers from October 25, 1778 to May 24, 1779, done at Quebec; copy prepared by Walter Butler, signed by John Butler; another copy; total amount £11,993.15.2

7. November 5, 1779

"Taken from the Muster Rolls"; a listing of officers by name for six companies and numbers of men by rank within each; total of 304 men

8. October 6, 1780

Monthly return of Lieutenant Colonel Butler's Corps of Rangers, prepared by Captain Walter Butler at Niagara

9. October 6, 1780

Return of the rank and file of the Corps of Rangers, prepared by Walter Butler

10. October 30, 1780

"List of Prisoners with the Rebels, Privates in Lieu't Colonel Butlers Corps of Rangers" prepared by Walter Butler

11. November 29, 1780

Monthly return of the Corps of Rangers

12. September 30, 1781

Monthly return of the Corps of Rangers

13. [no date]

"Dates of Officers Commissions in the Corps of Rangers"

14. [no date]

"Establishment of a Corps composed of Six Companies" signed by Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

15. [no date]

"Remarks on the ranking order and Pay bills of the Corps of Rangers"; concerning differences in pay from what was originally planned

Butler's Rangers, field officer, captain, and subaltern letters, 1778-1783: 24 letters with dates from April 28, 1779 through October 20, 1783 (printed page numbers 18 through 51)

16. April 28, 1779

From Captain Walter Butler at La Chine to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

Concerning an attack on Oswego on April 25; other news [difficult to read]

17. April 11, 1781

From Captain George Dame at Three Rivers to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Concerning receipt of an "unexpected order"

18. April 23, 1781

From Captain John MacDonell [or MacDonald] at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning difficulties of travel from the "distant places in the province" 19. May 6, 1781

From Walter Butler at Quebec to Lernoult at Quebec

Explaining why he had not immediately complied with an order to go to Niagara for a general court martial; asserting "the impossibility of my being a member of the court"

20. May 7, 1781

From Walter Butler at Quebec to Lernoult at Quebec Justifying his actions in light of what he considers to be Brigadier General Allan Maclean's misinterpretation of those actions

21. May 15, 1781

From Walter Butler at Quebec to Captain R. Mathews, secretary to General Frederick Haldimand

Concerning commissions, the 84th Regiment, and Maclean [difficult to read]

22. October 2, 1781

From Captain John MacDonell, Captain Peter Hare, and Captain Bernard Frey at Rangers Barrack to Lieutenant Colonel John Butler Concerning the validity of a commission held by Captain John McKinnon who recently joined the Corps of Rangers

23. October 8, 1781

From McKinnon at Rangers Barrack to John Butler Concerning the validity of his commission

24. November 4, 1781

From John Matten (for Butler's Corps of Rangers) at Niagara to Lernoult Enclosing a monthly return [not microfilmed]

25. January 28th 1782

Lieutenant John Tierney at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Requesting the favor of paying the £35 owed to him

26. March 31, 1782

From Captain Jost Herschman (or Haskiman [?]) at Coteau du Lac to Lernoult

Observing that many rebel prisoners would be willing to serve the British cause if permitted to "have their Liberty as other Loyalists"; seeking permission to recruit such freed prisoners into his company

27. April 23, 1782

From Herschman at Coteau du Lac to Lernoult at Montreal Concerning a published affidavit by an escaped rebel prisoner Abeel [?] concerning a supposed conversation with Herschman while Abeel was a prisoner; stating that the conversation was only about Herschman's brother in law, who lived near Abeel's home

28. June 27, 1782

From John Butler at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning personnel matters; expectation of news from the Southern Army; in order to command the Indians, the necessity to move to the other side of the river, eliminating double crossings each day, which "does not agree with the Rheumatism, my Constant Companion"

29. August 29, 1782

From H. A. Kennedy, physician general, at Quebec Certifying that Captain John McKinnon is unable to pursue his duty because of "a Paralytic affection [sic] of one side of the body"; recommending he be permitted to return to Europe

30. [no date] received September 2, 1782

From John McKinnon to Lernoult Requesting permission to return to England

31. September 13, 1782

From Dame at Three Rivers to Lernoult at Quebec Had permission for leave to bring his family to Niagara, but they are unable to travel until spring; seeking assistance in gaining permission for this delay

32. November 15, 1782

From John Butler at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec Explaining reasons for discharging Solomon Akins and William Evans for planning to desert with Lewis Williams, and not wanting "suspected persons in the Corps"

33. March 31, 1783

From Butler at Niagara to Maclean

Lieutenant Surney having been accused of "cowardice and disobedience of orders in the late action of the 4th & 5th of June last when before the enemy", seeking permission for a court martial early in the spring

34. March 31, 1783

From Butler to Lernoult

Sending down a third man "under the same predicament" as two previously sent and approved of by the commander in chief

35. April 21, 1783

From Captain Ten Broeck at Rangers Barrack to Maclean at Niagara Surprised that Butler had erroneously stated that Ten Broeck had resigned from the service; actually he only disputed his new commission, which reduced his rank; seeking redress via Maclean from the commander in chief

36. May 28, 1783

From Lieutenant Tonnencour at Trois Rivieres to Lernoult Reporting that he is in "rehabilitation" from illness, including fevers [letter written in French]

37. September 25, 1783

From Herschman at Coteau du Lac to Lernoult Concerning a promised land grant near Fort Erie

38. October 16, 1783

From Dame at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec Requesting leave to spend the winter with his family at Three Rivers, having already received Butler's permission

39. October 20, 1783

From Dame at Niagara to Lernoult

Another request for leave, including information that Maclean "is not inclined to grant me leave without the Commander In Chiefs approbation"; note beneath the address by someone at headquarters "refused"

Canadian Fencible Corps, papers relative to recruiting, 1802-1805: 25 documents with dates from April 1, 1802 through August 29, 1805 (printed page numbers 52 through 82)

Note: Fencible corps were regiments recruited from local volunteers, commanded by regular army officers, used for defensive purposes.

Note: Documents are not microfilmed in chronological order.

40. February 3, 1803

By Harry Calvert, adjutant general of the forces, for the Commander in Chief, at Horse Guards

Printed General Orders concerning the height of infantry recruits and levy (or bounty) money for recruits

41. Ca. November 1804

Printed Supplement to the Quebec Gazette, No. 2029, four pages, with mostly different content in English and in French Including a recruitment notice, in both English and French, for "His Majesty's New-Brunswick Regiment of Fencible Infantry Commanded by Brigadier General [Martin] Hunter"

42. April 1, 1802

Accounting page containing dispersals of levy money for the Canadian and New Brunswick Fencibles

43. May 5, 1804

By Calvert at Horse Guards

Printed General Orders raising the amount of levy money

44. June 16, 1804

By Calvert at Horse Guards

Printed General Orders raising the amount of levy money

45. August 6, 1804

"Memorandum of orders left with M[ajor] G[eneral] Mann about Recruiting parties", at Quebec

Regulation concerning when a recruit becomes "entitled to allowances of any kind"

46. September 24, 1804 (to Colonel Vesey [?]) and August 7, 1804 (to Lieutenant Colonels Dowes [?] and Brooks), at Quebec Memorandum "Extracts of orders Respecting the Recruits of the Fencible Reg'ts"

47. November 9, 1802

"Extract from the Mil Secretary directions given to Capt Edwards respecting the Recruits of the Fencible Regiments", at Quebec

48. March 21, 1805

Copy of a letter by Calvert at the Horse Guards to Lieutenant Colonel David Shank, Canadian Regiment, at Glasgow
Approving Shank to join the Canadian Regiment
Followed by extract of a letter from Greenwood & Cox on Shank's application and extract of a letter from Shank to Lieutenant General Peter Hunter

49. June 22, 1805

"Return of Officers of the Canadian Regiment at present in Canada", at Quebec, signed by Shank

50. June 25, 1805 [response date]

From Shank at Quebec to Hunter

Requesting "the usual allowance of Provisions"; note on back "answered verbally, that as soon as he could report himself & officers employed in Recruiting or otherwise on Duty allowance would be given"

51. April 3, 1804

From Lieutenant Colonel William Henry Clinton at Horse Guards to Captain Edward Cartwright, Canadian Fencible Regiment Confirming Cartwright's assignment to go to Canada to recruit for the Canadian Fencible Regiment

52. April 1, 1804

Copies of letters:

From Colonel Thomas Peters of the Canadian Regiment at Glasgow to Cartwright

Cartwright's instructions for recruiting in Canada, including a list of bounty amounts

[followed by]

June 26, 1805

From Cartwright at Montreal to Shank

Concerning recruitment

53. July 5, 1805

From Shank at Quebec to the deputy assistant adjutant general "Reporting steps taken toward recruiting and asking for a Batteau & for

allowances"

54. July 5, 1805 Document signed by Shank at Quebec

"Statement of the Recruiting parties & others of the Canadian fencible Regiment"

55. July 4, 1805

From Major William Robe [?], assistant deputy adjutant general at Quebec to Shank

Requesting, on Hunter's behalf, that Shank report on his recruiting activities and send a return; a blank form for the report enclosed [Shank's responses appear to be documents 53 and 54]

56. July 8, 1805

Orders from Hunter at Quebec to eleven named field officers Concerning inspecting and questioning recruits

57. July 8, 1805

From Robe [?] at Quebec to Shank

Response to Shank's July 5 letter concerning inspection of recruits and allowances

58. July 9, 1805

From Shank at Quebec to Robe [?]

Requesting that Hunter allow Ensign Marshall to be employed in recruiting

59. July 14, 1805

"State of the Recruiting Parties and others of the Canadian Fencible Regiment"

Signed by Shank at Quebec

60. August 1, 1805

"State of the Recruiting Parties and others of the Canadian Fencible Regiment"

Signed by Shank at Quebec

61. August 14, 1805

"State of the Recruiting Parties and others of the Canadian Fencible Regiment"

Signed by Shank at Quebec

62. August 29, 1805 From Shank at Quebec to Robe [?] Requesting an order for a regimental store room for the regiment's clothing

63. August 4 [?], 1805 From Shank at Quebec to Robe [?] A list of "Proposed distributing of their Recruiting parties"

64. [no date]

"abstract of the Age & size at which Recruits are permitted to be taken" for the Canadian Fencibles and New Brunswick Fencibles

King's Loyalist Rangers commanded by Captain Ebenezer Jessup at Sorel, muster rolls, 1777-1778: 12 documents with dates of October 16, 1778 and May 2, 1779, covering service dates from December 25, 1777 through December 24, 1778 (printed page numbers 83 through 95)

Note: the King's Loyal American Rangers were commanded by Captain Ebenezer Jessup. The 1777 company returns used as the format for these muster rolls consistently list Jessup as a lieutenant colonel, and just as consistently, that title has been struck out and replaced by "captain."

65. October 16, 1778

Return/muster roll covering 182 days of service from December 25, 1777 through June 24, 1778 for Captain James Robins' company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment "Raised By order of General Sir Guy Carleton...the 7th day of June 1777", signed by Ensign John Dusenbery and Christian Harris at Sorel, including two "Commissaries Oaths", one signed by Dusenbery, and a "Proof Table"

66. October 16, 1778

Return/muster roll covering 182 days of service from December 25, 1777 through June 24, 1778 for Captain Joseph Jessup's company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed by Captain Joseph Jessup and Ensign John Dusenbery at Sorel, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Joseph Jessup, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

67. October 16, 1778

Return/muster roll covering 182 days of service from December 25, 1777 through June 24, 1778 for Captain Edward Jessup's company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Captain Edward Jessup and Captain Christian Wehr, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Edward Jessup and Lieutenant David Jones, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

68. October 16, 1778

Return/muster roll covering 182 days of service from December 25, 1777 through June 24, 1778 for "The Lieut Col Company" of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Ebenezer Jessup and Edward Jessup, including an "Officers Certificate", a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

69. October 16, 1778

Return/muster roll covering 182 days of service from December 25, 1777 through June 24, 1778 for Captain Jonathan Jones' company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Captain Jonathan Jones and



Christian Wehr, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Jones, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

70. October 16, 1778

Return/muster roll covering 182 days of service from December 25, 1777 through June 24, 1778 for Captain Christian Wehr's company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Captain Christian Wehr and Captain Jonathan Jones, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Wehr, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

71. May 2, 1779

Return/muster roll covering 183 days of service from June 25 through December 24, 1778 for Captain Christian Wehr's company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Christian Wehr and Lieutenant Henry Simon, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Wehr, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

72. May 2, 1779

Return/muster roll covering 183 days of service from June 25 through December 24, 1778 for Captain Jonathan Jones' company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Jones and Lieutenant Peter McLarin, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Jones and McLarin, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

73. May 2, 1779

Return/muster roll covering 183 days of service from June 25 through December 24, 1778 for Captain Edward Jessup's company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Edward Jessup and Lieutenant David Jones, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Edward Jessup, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

74. May 2, 1779

Return/muster roll covering 183 days of service from June 25 through December 24, 1778 for Captain Ebenezer Jessup's company of the regiment he commanded, signed at Sorel by Lieutenant William Lamson and Lieutenant Guysbard Sharp, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Lamson, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

75. [no date]

Return/muster roll covering 183 days of service from June 25 through December 24, 1778 for Captain Joseph Jessup's company of the regiment he commanded, signed at Sorel by Joseph Jessup and Lieutenant Guysbard Sharp, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Joseph Jessup, a "Commissary's Oath", and a "Proof Table"

76. May 1779

Return/muster roll covering 183 days of service from June 25 through December 24, 1778 for Captain James Robins' company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Sorel by Lieutenant James O'Neal and Ensign John Dusenbery, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by O'Neal, a "Commissary's Oath" signed by O'Neal, and a "Proof Table"

King's Loyalist Rangers commanded by Major James Rogers at St. Johns, muster rolls, 1781: 3 documents with the date July 27, 1781, covering service dates from [?] through July 16, 1781 (printed page numbers 96 through 98)

77. July 27, 1781

Muster roll for service through July 16, 1781 for the detachment of the King's Rangers commanded by Major James Rogers at St. Johns, Captain Henry Buiter's company, signed by Rogers and Captain Henry Buiter, including detailed listing of names and beginning of service dates; including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Buiter and Captain Azariah [?] Pritchard, a "Commissary's Oath" signed by Alexander Campbell and a "Proof Table"

78. July 27, 1781

Muster roll for service through July 16, 1781 for the detachment of the King's Rangers commanded by Major James Rogers at St. Johns, the Major's company, signed by Rogers and Captain Henry Buiter, including detailed listing of names and beginning of service dates; including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Buiter and Captain Azariah [?] Pritchard, a "Commissary's Oath" signed by Alexander Campbell and a "Proof Table"

79. July 27, 1781

Muster roll for service through July 16, 1781 for the detachment of the King's Rangers commanded by Major James Rogers at St. Johns, Captain Azariah's Pritchard's company, signed by Rogers and Captain Henry Buiter, including detailed listing of names and beginning of service dates; including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Rogers and William Buell, a "Commissary's Oath" signed by Campbell and a "Proof Table"

King's Loyalist Rangers commanded by Captain Ebenezer Jessup at Verchères, muster roll, 1781: 1 document with the date July 14, 1781, covering service dates from December 25, 1780 through June 24, 1781 (printed page number 99)

80. July 14, 1781

Return/muster roll covering 182 days of service from December 25, 1780 through June 24, 1781 for Major Edward Jessup's company of Ebenezer Jessup's regiment, signed at Verchères by Major Edward Jessup and Jonathan [?] Mann, including an "Officers Certificate" signed by Edward Jessup and a "Commissary's Oath" signed by Alexander Campbell

Jessup's Loyalist Rangers, field officer letters, 1777-1782: 34 letters with dates from December 3, 1777 through November 27, 1782, printed page numbers 100 through 155

81. December 3, 1777

From Lieutenant Colonel Ebenezer Jessup at La Chine to General Sir Guy Carleton

Reporting on "this Very Troublesom and Fatiguing Campaign, but Fruitless Expedition" that ended with some deaths among the Rangers and many prisoners being taken by the rebels; reporting that he and his two brothers (Edward and Joseph) were ill and had been prisoners; reporting that the remaining men of the corps badly needed clothing and that the corps had with them "a brood of Unfortunate Women and Children"; expecting to submit a proper return soon; seeking to justify his and his corps' actions despite the negative outcome

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82. [no date]

"A State of the Queen Loyal Rangers at 1777—Sundry Times", listing numbers of troops, discharges, etc., signed by Lieutenant Colonel John Peters

83. January 1, 1778

From Ebenezer Jessup at La Chine to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

Enclosing a monthly return for the corps; ordered to muster in about a week

84. September 17, 1780

From Major John Nairne at Montreal to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general

Concerning the use and organization of royalist troops; stating that these troops are not happy under the command of Jessup and Peters; suggesting that they would have more zeal if their officers were given commissions and the troops organized into companies; reporting that the royalist troops want to be issued green uniforms and have their headquarters near Chamblee; reporting additional requests; "enclosing a Return of the officers of the different Corps of Loyalists & Pensioners" [not microfilmed]

85. November 6, 1780

From Nairne at Chamblee to Lernoult

Seeking advice on allowing prisoners recently captured (but forced to join the rebels and actually loyalists) to be enlisted in the royalist corps; requesting an order to procure clothing for the royalist troops; requesting guidance on subsistence for Captain Drummand, Mrs [?] MacLaran, and Ensign Thomas Mann

86. November 23, 1780

From Nairne at Montreal to Lernoult

Reporting on the lack of organization and discipline among the royalist corps; enclosing corrected returns [not microfilmed]; wishing to take actions to instill more discipline and organization; reporting that royalist Major Adams had recently improperly discharged all of his men when they thought their time of enlistment had ended

87. December 1, 1780

Memorial from the officers of Ebenezer Jessup's Provincial Corps, signed at Verchères by nine officers, including Ebenezer, Edward, and Joseph Jessup

Seeking permission from the commanding general to raise three companies to bring the corps up to full strength

88. December 1, 1780

From Nairne at Verchères to Lernoult

Recommending William Fraser as captain for a company of royalists with his brother Thomas Fraser and Gideon Adams as lieutenants; recommending Peter Drummond to command another company with Neil Robertson and James MacAlpin as subalterns; recommending commissions for these officers

89. January 8, 1781

From Nairne at Verchères to Le Maistre

Concerning deployment of the new companies of royalist troops

90. February 4, 1781

Enclosing a return of the royalist companies [not microfilmed]; reporting that Fraser's company at Yamaska lacked sufficient arms and was starting work at a place called The Rapids

91. February 16, 1781

From Major Edward Jessup at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Requesting the proper forms to submit evidence in relation to a memorial from Majors Peters, Fraser, and Edward Jessup concerning alleged unfair recruiting practices for Major Rogers

92. July 22, 1781

From Nairne at Verchères to Lernoult

Enclosing a return [not microfilmed] prepared with difficulty owing to difficulty in finding many of the men; many are absent without leave and others unfit for service; acknowledging receipt and dissemination of a general order "relative to the young women belonging to the Loyalists"; reporting that one of the loyalists, William Hussack has declared that he belongs to the 25th regiment was taken prisoner at Saratoga, escaped, returned to the province, and is now on duty in Captain Fraser's company

93. August 6, 1781

From Nairne at Verchères to Lernoult

Enclosing monthly returns for the different royalist corps [not microfilmed], which are still full of inaccuracies, disputes, and difficulties; detailing some of the problems, especially in Captain Leake's corps; seeking approval to make some changes in the organization of that corps; listing the officers in that corps

94. August 6, 1781

From Nairne at Verchères to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting having sent William Hussack to headquarters, as requested, along with a letter from William Fraser relative to Hussack

95. August 4, 1781

From Fraser at Yamaska to Nairne

Reporting on William Hussack and wondering whether he could be useful in recruiting loyalists

96. November 8, 1781

From Nairne at Verchères to Lernoult

Enclosing a return [not microfilmed] of the corps of royalists, which "is not perhaps entirely accurate, but is as nearly so as there is a possibility at present of procuring it"

97. November 26, 1781

From Nairne at Verchères to Lernoult

Enclosing a return [not microfilmed] that does not include Captain Leake and his corps except for "the remainder" of the corps, who are included; reporting that some pensioners wish to help with recruiting for Jessup's corps; suggesting how that corps might be reorganized

98. December 29, 1781

From Nairne at Verchères to Lernoult

Enclosing a return [not microfilmed] that "will be found to be Correct"; listing men on leave to visit their families or to go to work; explaining the circumstances of five men discharged

99. January 27, 1782

From Nairne at Verchères to Lernoult

Reporting that the royalist corps give "the appearance of their Soon becoming a well appointed and Serviceable Body of men"; wrapping up his affairs, as "I may now in a few days quit this Command"

100. February 13, 1782

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre

Documenting why he wishes James Linch in the loyalist rangers not to be transferred to John Johnson's regiment; seeking to assist Johnson by not having Linch assigned to his regiment because of deficiencies in Linch's performance

101. February 18, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Lernoult

Enclosing returns of arms and clothing for the Corps of Loyal Rangers; explaining difficulties in getting the information for the returns; explaining that many of the men need clothing

102. February 28, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Le Maistre

Concerning James Linch; believes Nairne did want him transferred to Johnson's regiment, but raises questions about "Litigious Claims" relating to his service

103. April 21, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Captain R. Mathews, secretary to General Frederick Haldimand, at Montreal

Responding to a request to send able men to serve as marines on Lake Champlain; reporting that only three men are fit for this service

104. June 6, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Lernoult

Recommending a list of officers for the two new companies for the Royalist Corps

105. May 12, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Lenoult Reporting five pensioners confined for crimes

106. May 29, 1782

"Major Jessup's Proposal" to recruit two more companies

107. [no date]

"If His Excellency should form two Companies to the Loyal Rangers the following gentlemen are proposed as officers..."; list of proposed officers follows

108. June 20, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Mathews

Hoping that the companies of Captain W. Meirs and Captain Thomas Fraser will soon be completed, after which they may begin the next two proposed companies

109. June 24, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Mathews

The Meirs and Fraser companies are completed; concern about disputes over recruiting for the King's Service, in particular those who seek to select the corps in which they will serve before arriving at St. Johns to be properly assigned; enclosing a paper concerning this matter [not microfilmed]

110. June 24, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Mathews

Enclosing a letter from Captain Miers and a copy of a memorial from his officers [letter and memorial not microfilmed]; apologizing for bothering the commander in chief with this matter but having no choice but to pass it on

111. June 24, 1782

From Fraser at Upper B[arracks?] House, Yamaska to Edward Jessup Informing Jessup that his son is doing well under Fraser's command

112. July 1, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Lernoult

Recommending his son Ensign Edward Jessup to be a lieutenant in the new Fraser company

113. July 8, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Verchères to Mathews

Concerning beginning subsistence pay for the two new companies; recommending Ensign Edward Jessup to be a lieutenant; other similar matters

114. November 27, 1782

From Edward Jessup at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning the listing of invalids and other men in the return for the corps

Jessup's Loyalist Rangers commanded by Major Edward Jessup at Verchères, returns, 1782-1783: 15 documents with dates January 1, 1782 through March 1, 1783 (printed page numbers 156 through 171)

115. January 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers commanded by Major Edward Jessup, signed by Major John Nairne, including return of the "Company of Gentlemen Pensioners" commanded by Lieutenant. Colonel Ebenezer Jessup and return of an "Independent Comp'y of Royalists" commanded by Captain John W. Meyers

116. February 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers commanded by Edward Jessup, at Verchères, signed by Nairne, including return of the "Company of Gentlemen Pensioners" commanded by Ebenezer Jessup and return of an "Independent Comp'y of Royalists" commanded by Meyers

117. April 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by St. Leger

118. June 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers commanded by Edward Jessup, at Verchères, signed by Jessup, including return of the "Company of Gentlemen Pensioners" commanded by Ebenezer Jessup and return of an "Independent Comp'y of Royalists" commanded by Meyers

119. June 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by St. Leger

120. July 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers commanded by Edward Jessup, at Verchères, signed by Jessup, including return of the "Company of Gentlemen Pensioners" commanded by Ebenezer Jessup and return of "the Supernumeraries who are to Compose Lieut. Thomas Frasers Company"

121. July 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by St. Leger

122. August 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers commanded by Edward Jessup, at Verchères, signed by Captain John Jones, including return of the "Company of Gentlemen Pensioners" commanded by Ebenezer Jessup and "Distribution of the Corps of Loyal Rangers"

123. September 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by Captain L. Forbes of the 30th Regiment

124. September 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by St. Leger, to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

125. September 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by Captain H. Dockson [?] of the 29th Regiment

126. December 1, 1782

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by Major Alexander Campbell, commander at St. Johns

127. February 1, 1783

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by Campbell, commander of the 29th Regiment

128. March 1, 1783

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by Campbell, commander at St. Johns

129. March 1, 1783

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by Campbell

Jessup's Loyalist Rangers, letters, lists of men fit for active service, etc., 1783: 20 documents with dates February 24, 1783 through December 1, 1783 (printed page numbers 172 through 194)

130. February 24, 1783

Return, Loyalist Rangers fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne, signed by Major Edward Jessup, including the company of pensioners

131. February 24, 1783

List of men in Captain Thomas Fraser's company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

132. February 24, 1783

List of men in Edward Jessup's company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

133. February 24, 1783

List of men in Captain John Jones' company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

134. [no date]

List of supernumerary non-commissioned officers and men fit for active

service, including eight companies, excluding the company of pensioners

135. February 24, 1783

List of men in Captain Walter's [?] company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

136. February 24, 1783

List of men in Captain William Fraser's company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

137. February 24, 1783

List of men in Captain Jonathan Jones' company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

138. February 24, 1783

List of men in Captain Justus Sherwood's company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

139. February 24, 1783

List of men in Captain Peter Drummond's company fit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

140. February 24, 1783

List of invalid men in Lieutenant Colonel John Peters' company unfit for active service, Rivière du Chêne

141. March 10, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Enclosing lists of men fit for service and those not fit for service

Enclosing lists of men fit for service and those not fit for service [documents 131 through 140]

142. May 1, 1783

Monthly return, Loyalist Rangers, with names and dates of arrival from the colonies, at St. Johns, signed by Major Alexander Campbell, commander at St. Johns

143. July 28, 1783

From Captain Joseph Jessup at Sorel to Lernoult

Having lost his previous rank as captain when made prisoner in 1777, requesting that he be reinstated as a captain in the loyalist corps to command loyalists he has recruited; enclosing documents to support his claim [documents 144, 145, 146]

144. July 22, 1783

"A List of Captain Jessup's Company between the 25th June & 24th October 1777, Taken from the Regimental Book, La Chine, 27th Jan'y 1778", including lists of those prisoners of the rebels, those deserted, and those assigned to Captain McAlpin's corps; certified and signed by Ebenezer Jessup "for Mr. J. Jessup's Perusal and Disposal as he may think most proper"

145. July 23, 1783

"A List of Men, Claimed by Mr. Joseph Jessup as Having been Inlisted by him or at His Expenses for His Majestys Service & now Serving in the Corps of Loyal Rangers"; certified and signed by Edward Jessup

146. [no date]

Statement signed by 20 officers of the Loyalist Rangers affirming that none has a claim on the men Joseph Jessup claims to have recruited or to know anyone who does have such a claim

147. September 15, 1783

From Captain [?], 53rd Regiment, at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult at Quebec "List of persons come in from the colonies to Isle aux Noix between the 4th & 15th Sept"; written as a letter with dates and notes on the circumstances of "coming in"

148. December 1, 1783

"Return of Families with their Arrival from the Colonies", at St. Johns, signed by Campbell

149. [no date]

Informal list of men in the Loyalist Rangers "not to be trusted" and not to be assigned to frontier posts because of being suspected of intending to desert "yet...I believe Some of the men have no bad intentions"; not signed

Jessup's Loyalist Rangers, field officer letters, 1783: 12 documents with dates January 14, 1783 through August 30, 1783 (printed page numbers 195 through 209)

150. January 14, 1783

From Lieutenant Colonel Ebenezer Jessup at Quebec to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult at Quebec

Forwarding a letter by Major [Edward?] Jessup to Ebenezer Jessup seeking the latter's assistance from Lernoult and the commander in chief in gaining permission, given some complicated circumstances relating to General St. Leger and the Major's brother [Joseph?], to remain in Quebec through the winter

151. January 13, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Sorel to Lernoult

Concerning arms a Major General de Riedsel was seeking to give to the Loyalist Rangers; explaining that he (Jessup) had made sure the arms were properly returned to the regimental store from which they had been issued for use some time ago

152. January 29, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Lernoult Concerning an upcoming general court martial; uncertainty whether prisoners the Loyalist Rangers were holding came under this court martial; seeking information about these men and their crimes

153. January 1783

From Edward Jessup to Lernoult

Enclosing a roll of the ages and sizes of his men [not microfilmed]

154. February 3, 1783

From Ebenezer Jessup at Quebec to Lernoult Submitting a requested list explaining the service status of certain deserters

155. March 1, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Lernoult Concerning pay for two men who had been prisoners

156. March 13, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning the need for a surgeon in the region and suggesting a possible source through Brigadier General St. Leger 157. June 30, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting that a number of men discharged from the Garmine Regiment have been offering to enlist in the Loyalist Rangers; seeking guidance on whether or not to enlist them

158. August 28, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Lernoult Forwarding a letter from Lieutenant Sharp, requesting that he (Jessup) be informed about how Sharp's request is handled [document 159]

159. August 21, 1783

From Lieutenant Guysbert Sharp at Rivière du Chêne to Edward Jessup at Montreal

Requesting consideration and claiming eligibility to command a company when the currently large numbers of supernumeraries are divided into one or two new companies

160. August 29, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Lernoult Acknowledging receipt of orders to recall all provincial recruiting officers and discontinuing that service; stating that he will be governed accordingly

161. August 30, 1783

From Edward Jessup at Rivière du Chêne to Lernoult Concerning commissions for the possible two new companies, but considering that the recruiting service is being discontinued; suggesting that all claims be dealt with together, including those of Lieutenant Sharp, Joseph Jessup, James Campbell, Francis Nagle, and several others listed

Royal Highland Emigrants (84th Regiment), letters and papers, 1775-1782: 43 documents with dates June 12, 1775 through November 1782 (printed page numbers 210 through 265)

162. June 12, 1775

From General Thomas Gage, commander in North America, at Boston to Lieutenant Colonel Allan Maclean

Copy of a formal document empowering Maclean to recruit Highlanders and other loyal subjects to serve in a new regiment of foot containing two battalions and 10 companies; providing for bounties

163. June 13, 1775

From Maclean at Boston to Captain Lieutenant John Munro Copy of a formal document ordering the recruitment of men for the new regiment

164. June 1775

List of the officers originally appointed by Gage for the battalion of Royal Highland Emigrants in Canada, with remarks and notes

165. March 2, 1777

To Captain Nathaniel Foy, deputy adjutant general, at Montreal Return of the dates of commissions of officers in the battalion, at Terrebonne, signed by Captain Colin Campbell

166. December 24, 1777

List of captains in the Lieutenant Colonel's Company with numbers of men

under each captain

167. [no date]

List of companies with numbers of men in each

168. June 17, 1777

List of officers in the first battalion, at Montreal, with commissions from General Guy Carleton, commander of forces in Quebec Province and frontiers, signed by Maclean

169. July [?], 1777

From Carleton at Quebec to General Powell, commander of forces at Quebec

Requiring payment to Maclean of £5,284 for subsistence pay for the Highlanders for the period from June 13, 1775 through June 24, 1777, from which £2,284 is to be retained pending documentation, including an accounting page for the entire amount, signed by MacLean

170. October 1, 1777

From Acting Ensigns Archibald McDonell, William Wood, and John Pringle at Isle aux Noix to Major John Nairne, commander of the Royal Highland Emigrants

Having been assigned to this frontier garrison, requesting that they receive commissions for their duty

171. December 24, 1777

"Muster of the Emigrants Ending 24th Decem'r 1777"

172. [no date]

Form letter without date, place, or signature, certifying receipt of clothing for 1776 for the first battalion of the regiment

173. [no date]

Form letter without date, place, or signature, certifying receipt of clothing for 1776 for the first battalion of the regiment [second copy]

174. [no date]

Form letter without date, place, or signature, certifying receipt of clothing for 1776 for the first battalion of the regiment [third copy]

175, 1777

Copy of a list of officers of the second battalion of the regiment, signed by Secretary Robert Mackenzie

176. 1777

Copy of a list of officers of the second battalion of the regiment, signed by Secretary Robert Mackenzie [second copy]

177. April 11, 1778

Copy of the "State of the Claims of the respective officers of the First Batt'n"; at Isle aux Noix, signed by Captain John Nairne; a return showing officers' ranks

178. [no date]

"Extract from the report of a Board of Officers, held at Montreal 18th of April 1778, by order of Sir Guy Carleton, to inspect the claims of the officers of the Royal Highland Emigrants."; concluding that "The Board are of opinion that Lt. Hector McLean has a claim to rank as one of the original Lieutenants of the Regiment"; "transmitted to Lt. Col. St. Leger at St. Johns 30th Jan'y 1781"

179. [no date]

Return of the pay of officers in the regiment from its establishment on June 13, 1775 until they joined the battalion in Canada on June 26, 1777, and on to June 24, 1778

180. December 19, 1778

Return of recruits raised for the first battalion by Captain Alexander Fraser, at Quebec; signed by Fraser

181. December 25, 1778

List of officers of the first battalion; signed by Allan Maclean; "copy to be sent to the War Office July 1782"

182. December 25, 1778

List of officers of the first battalion; signed by Allan Maclean; "given by B. Maclean to His Excellency General Haldimand the 24th August 1779"

183. December 25, 1778

Copy of the "Establishment of a Corps of Royal Highland Emigrants consisting of Two Battalions of Ten Companies in each, from the 25th Decem'r 1778 inclusive"; list of ranks and numbers of men

184. January 9, 1779

Return of recruits for the first battalion by Fraser, at Quebec, signed by Fraser

185. February 17, 1779

Return of recruits for the first battalion by Fraser, at Quebec, signed by Fraser

186. March 9, 1779

Copy of the "Establishment" of the first battalion; a list with ranks and pay levels; signed at the War Office by Mr. Lewis

187. April 15, 1779

"Return of Arms Wanting" for the first battalion; signed by Major Nairne

188. April 22, 1779

Copy of a letter from Charles Jenkinson, Esq. at the War Office to Maclean Confirming the augmentation of the regiment "with two hundred private men" and authorizing pay for them

189. April 14, 1780

Return of recruits for the first battalion by Lieutenant Donald McKinnon, at Quebec; signed by McKinnon

190. July 31, 1780

From Major Adolphus Harris to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

List of "evidencers" for the trial of Captain Neil McLean of the 84th (Royal Highland Emigrants) Regiment; list of 10 officers and one officer's wife

191. August 17, 1780

Copy of letter from Archibald McLean to [?]

Concerning a dispute about rank among Archibald McLean, Lieutenant Lauchlin McLean, and Lieutenant Hector McLean

192. 1780

"Return of Officers of the Eighty fourth Regiment, commanding at the Upper Posts" between June 25 and December 24, 1780; signed by Harris

193. July 15, 1782

From Maclean at Quebec to the adjutant general

Concerning crimes given in by Maclean against Captain Lieutenant

Archibald McLean; charges of behavior unbecoming the character of a gentleman and officer

194. [no date]

From Harris to [?]

Concerning Lieutenants David Smith and Gorges Graham, under arrest for ungentlemanly behavior toward each other and other offenses between November 16 and 19, 1782

195. [no date]

"An Explanation of the successions as they fell in the Regiment of Royal Highland Emigrants"; a lengthy statement including many officers' names and ranks; no date or signature

196. [no date]

A statement concerning supernumeraries and other rank issues with no date or signature [microfilmed twice in succession]

197. [no date]

Notes on succession and purchase of commissions in the regiment; transmitted to the War Office in July 1782; containing entries pertaining to October 22, 1779, April 3, 1780, and October 22, 1781

198. January 16 [?]

List of officers for the Royal Highland Emigrants Regiment, apparently when the regiment was founded, including former regimental assignments for some officers

199. [no date]

List of commissions of the Royal Highland Emigrants, by rank, name, and date of commission

200. [no date]

Copy of "Accompt of Cash advanced to Men engaged by order of Brigadier General Maclean"; signed by Captain Lieutenant John Munro; list with dates, names, and sums [first page microfilmed twice]

201. [no date]

List of officers in the first battalion (with those having commissions from General Guy Carleton "marked in red Ink" [not detectable in the microfilm image])

202. [no date]

List of officers in the regiment who were taken prisoner, including where taken prisoner, whether returned, or whether still a prisoner, including also those without commissions

203. [no date]

Return of officers in the first battalion (those with commissions from Carleton marked in red [not detectable in the microfilm image]) 204. [no date]

"Memorandum for Captain Fraser from Lieutenant Fletcher, respecting his Claims to rank [?] in the 1st Battalion"

Loyalist Corps of Volunteers commanded by Captain Daniel McAlpin, returns, 1778-1781: 19 documents with dates May 1, 1778 through September 29, 1781 (printed page numbers 266 through 286)

205. May 1, 1778

"Present State of Several Detachments of Royalists who returned from Lieutenant General Burgoyne's Army to Canada after the Convention", at Quebec

206. October 16, 1778

"Muster Role of Captain Sam'l Adams' Corps" (part of McAlpin's Loyalist Corps of Volunteers), at Sorel; signed by Samuel Adams and by Ensign Gideon Adams [microfilmed twice in succession]; with certification following, signed by Samuel Adams

207. October 22, 1778

"Muster Roll of the Volunteers Command'd by Daniel McAlpin, Esq. Raised by Order of General Sir William Howe" covering the 182 service days from December 25, 1777 through June 24, 1778, at Nouvelle Beauce, signed by Captain McAlpin

208. October 29, 1778

"Return of Royalists and their Families at Quebeck and Old Sorrette"; signed by Alexander Campbell

209. October [?], 1778

"Muster Roll of a Corps of Provincials Commanded by John Peters, Esq. as Lieu't Capt Raised by Order of His Excellency Sir Guy Carleton to Serve During the Rebellion in America" (part of McAlpin's Loyalist Corps of Volunteers), at Sorel; signed by Captain Jeremiah French; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Captain Justus Sherwood and list of "Appointments of the Officers within Mentioned"

210. December 29, 1778

"State of the Detachment at Nouvelle Beauce", at St. Mary's, signed by McAlpin

211. May 2, 1779

Muster roll for Loyal Volunteers commanded by Captain Robert Leake (part of McAlpin's Loyalist Corps of Volunteers), covering the 183 service days from June 25, 1778 through December 24, 1778, at Sorel, signed by Leake and Lieutenant William Thare [?]; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Leake and Thare [?], "Commissary's Oath", and "Proof Table"

212. May 2, 1779

"Muster Role of Loyalists belonging to Corps commanded by John Peters Esq."; at Sorel; signed by Peters and French, including "Officers Certificate" signed by French, "Commissary's Oath", and "Proof Table"

213. May 2, 1779

Muster Roll of Cap't Sam'l Adams' First [?] Ranging Company", at Sorel; signed by Ensign Gideon Adams, including "Officers Certificate" signed by Samuel Adams, "Commissary's Oath", and "Proof Table"

214. May 18, 1779

Muster roll of McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, at Point Soeurs, signed by McAlpin and Lieutenant Neil Robertson, including an officer's certificate signed by McAlpin

215. August 1st, 1779

Monthly return of McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, at Sorel, (which include detachments commanded by Peters, Leakes, and Adams) signed by McAlpin

216. September 1, 1779

Monthly return of McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, at Sorel, signed by McAlpin

217. [no date]

Muster roll of the late Major McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, with no date or signature

218. July 14, 1781

Muster roll of the late Major McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, at Vercheresx, signed by Captain Peter Drummond and Captain Neil Robertson [same document as the previous one, both in fragments, this one more complete]

219. July 14, 1781

Part of the Muster roll of the late Major McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, at Verchères, for the 182 service days from December 25, 1780 through June 24th 1781; signed by Captain Peter Drummond and Captain Neil Robertson [same document as the previous two, including only the bottom part of the document], including an officer's certificate signed by Drummond and a commissary's oath signed by Campbell

220. July 14, 1781

Muster roll of Peters' detachment of McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, at Verchères; signed by Peters and Captain Francis Hagel; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Peters and a commissary's oath signed by Campbell

221. July 14, 1781

Muster roll of Leake's detachment of McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, at Verchères, for the 182 service days from December 25, 1780 through June 24th 1781; signed by Captain Lieutenant John Munro and Ensign Duncan Cameron; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Munro, a commissary's oath signed by Campbell, and a proof table

222. September 29, 1781

From Major James Rogers at Quebec to Captain R. Mathews Recommending a list of "gentlemen for officers in the King's Rangers"

223. [no date]

Musters of the different Corps of Royalists: present not under convention; absent not under convention; and absent under convention; with a "recapitulation"

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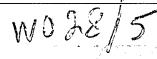
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In this latest addition to his continuing series, Library Research Assistant David Swain expands his finding aid for the War Office 28 records to encompass the records of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, one of the premiere Royal Provincial Corps in Canada. David's hard work continues to bring to light important documents that add to our understanding of the British war effort from Canada, which might otherwise be overlooked. For clarification on the different Loyalist Regiment establishments in Canada at this time, please see Todd W. Braisted's entry from the beginning of April.

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28.5. Royal Regiment of New York; Rogers' King's Rangers, Barrack Master General's Department (Reels 3 and 4)

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Royal Regiment of New York, field officers letters, 1778-1780: 33 documents with dates from January 13, 1777 through October 17, 1780 (printed page numbers 1 through 44)

1. January 13, 1777

Copy of document from General Guy Carleton giving Major James Gray of the Royal Regiment of New York, in charge of the District of Montreal in the Province of Quebec, authority to administer oaths of allegiance and related powers

2. August 17, 1778

From Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Johnson of the Royal Regiment of New York, at Quebec, to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general Enclosing a monthly return for Johnson's regiment, including attached royalists, except for McAlpin's return because they are at Nouvelle Beauce [return not microfilmed]

Note: Sir John Johnson (1741-1830), who lived in the Mohawk River valley before the Revolution, sided with the British when the war began. He recruited several hundred other loyalist New Yorkers into what became the Royal Regiment of New York, a part of the regular British Army rather than a loyalist corps.

3. September 16, 1778

From Johnson at Montreal to Le Maistre Concerning possible exchange of Lieutenant Singleton (British) for Lieutenant Meynard (American)

4. October 16, 1778

From Edward William Gray at Montreal to Le Maistre at Sorel Has prepared, as requested, a license for Mrs. Myrant to trade with the Indians at Bay de Quainte [an interior post about 235 miles west of Montreal]

5. October 24, 1778

From James Gray at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning the rank of Major Hayes

6. October 24, 1778

From James Gray at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec "The Cressie [?] men belonging to our Rgt is turning troublesome & dangerous"

7. December 7, 1778

From James Gray at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting problems with acquiring firewood, the cost of housing for married officers, and officer houses and kitchen

8. December 7, 1778

From James Gray at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning pay and provisions for "Gentlemen Loyalists" and their families; authorization for subsistence, formerly provided by General Carleton, not included in current general orders

9. February 11, 1779

From James Gray at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Agreeing to keep Charles Rambridge on the regimental roll if he can be "conveniently kept...in any place proper for him"

10. February 11, 1779

From Johnson at Montreal to Le Maistre

Requesting release of "the Harpers" [apparently escaped and captured] whom he thinks know two men who escaped from St. Johns with the Harpers [and must still be at large]; Johnson thinks he can trust the Harpers and requests that they be sent to him to help apprehend the other two men

11. April 5, 1779

From James Gray at St. Sulpice to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that he has been at home with his family recovering "but slowly" from an illness; seeking extension of his leave time

12. June 24, 1779

From James Gray at St. Sulpice to Le Maistre

Still at home recovering; willing to serve as his physical condition allows; seeking permission to accept a commission from Colonel Barry St. Leger "in the civil line"; reporting that sermons by St. Germain have been trivial, not pro-rebel; opportunities for recruiting

13. September 6, 1779

From James Gray at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Back on duty because of a need for him to return but "far from being thorouly Recovered" and needing to return home

14. [no date; October 6, 1779 written in later in pencil] From James Gray to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that one man in the regiment has died; others are ill and not fit for service

15. October 29, 1779

From James Gray to Le Maistre at Quebec

Objecting to the assignment of the regiment to quarter over the winter at Isle Peron and Cul de Sac, the reason being that many of the men are recent recruits and not to be trusted not to defect; reporting a lack of sufficient arms; reporting that one man is confined after attempting to defect

16. November 18, 1779

From James Gray at St. Sulpice to Le Maistre at Quebec Requesting arms again for the regiment's men; requesting leave to remain at home over the winter

17. December 13, 1779

From Johnson at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a return for his detachment at Carleton Island

18. November 15, 1779

From Johnson at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Expressing concerns about the winter movement of troops; recommending Mr. Patrick Langan to be commissioned an Ensign due to the death of Ensign Kreuser; requesting information about a pay matter concerning Captain Watts

19. December 20, 1779

From Johnson at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Requesting assistance in getting a letter delivered to a person in London; requesting settlement of the ranks among captains in the regiment

20. May 15, 1780

Return of ammunition wanted for the regiment, signed by James Gray

21. May 15, 1780

From James Gray to Le Maistre at Quebec

Enclosing a return of ammunition wanted [document 20]

22. May 18, 1780

From James Gray at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Suggesting his nephew Jacob Tarrant to replace Lieutenant McKenzie who died

23. July 19, 1780

From James Gray at Isle Perrault [?] to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning ranks and appointments

24. July 20, 1780

Return of ammunition wanted, signed by Johnson

25. July 26, 1780

From Johnson at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning organizing the regiment into two battalions; enclosing a return of ammunition wanted [document 24]

26. August 3, 1780

From Johnson at La Chine to General Frederick Haldimand [British

commander in Canada]

Concerning claims by [loyalist corps commander] Captain Ebenezer Jessup to men from the late Captain Daniel McAlpin's [loyalist volunteer] corps and stating the opinion that most of these men are "imaginary"; concerning Johnson's own reorganization to two battalions and his difficulties in organizing his captains by rank; seeking the commanding general's assistance with his own organizing and personnel matters; enclosing lists of officers for promotion in the first and second battalions [documents 27, 28]

27. [no date]

"Promotions in the first Battalion"

28. [no date]

"Return of Officers recommended for Promotion in the Second Battalion"

29. August 14, 1780

From Johnson at La Chine to Le Maistre in Quebec

Concerning resolution of the ranking dispute among captains; expressing surprise at the rank assigned Captain John Munro; other personnel matters; recommending Ensign Allan McDonell to replace the deceased Lieutenant McKenzie; enclosing a proposal from Samuel Adams

30. August 11, 1780

From Sam Adams at Montreal to Johnson

A loyalist who says he had raised 70 men under authority from General Burgoyne; now his men, whose term of service is up, are willing to join one of the loyalist regiments; requesting that Johnson forward this proposal to the commanding general

31. October 17, 1780

From Major John Ross at Coteau du Lac to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general at Ouebec

Lernoult, adjutant general at Quebec

Enclosing a return for his detachment, which includes many men unfit for service [document 32]

32. October 17, 1780

"State of the Detachment of the Second Battalion..." signed by Ross

33. [no date]

From Johnson to Captain Daniel McAlpin

Requesting that he receive and positively act on an enclosed memorial from two men by adding their names to the recently delivered return [memorial not microfilmed]

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Royal Regiment of New York, field officers letters, 1781-1782 (and into 1783): 43 documents with dates from January 1, 1781 through June 9, 1783 (printed page numbers 45 through 98)

34. January 1, 1780 [actually 1781]

From Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Johnson, commander of the Royal Regiment of New York, at Montreal to [?; probably Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general]

Concerning an error in the return submitted for December

35. September 6, 1781

From Johnson at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Acknowledging permission for M. Piety [?] to return to England to settle his private affairs; requesting arms for his soldiers

36. September 13, 1781

From Johnson at Montreal to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

Enclosing discharges requested for seven men to serve on ships of war [discharges not microfilmed]

37. October 4, 1781

From Johnson at Montreal to Lernoult

Reporting that Major sent down two men of the second battalion who had deserted and had received their punishment; recommending that they be discharged

38. November 4, 1781

From Major James Gray, commander of the first battalion, at Montreal to Lernoult in Quebec

Supporting Johnson's request for arms

39. [no date]

Scrap of paper listing officers in the 31st Regiment

40. November 13, 1781

Return of the two Companies of the 31st Regiment at Quebec, signed by Major William Cotton

41. [no date]

From Gray to Brigadier General Lispeth, commanding the district of Montreal

Difficulties of moving troops as ordered to outlying posts

42. December 20, 1781

From Gray to Lernoult

Concerning "grand" mistakes in a recently sent list of officers

43. January 7, 1782

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning Lieutenant Jonathan Valentine and Lieutenant J. Thomas Prentice's affair with Pierie [Pierre?] LePape, which they had wished to be resolved without going to court.

44. January 7, 1782

From Valentine, adjutant in the regiment at Montreal to [?] Valentine's deposition concerning the affair with M. LePape, which occurred on the night of August 20, 1781; stating that LePape fired a musket at him, wounding him in the side

45. March 18, 1782

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Montreal Stating the status of the regiment's arms; asking guidance on what to do with them, enclosing documentation from the quartermaster [document

46. March 15, 1782

From Valentine [the quartermaster] at Isle Jesus to Gray Explaining that of arms available for the first battalion, 112 were unserviceable; enclosing a return

47. April 2, 1782 Return for the first battalion, signed by Gray

48. April 4, 1782 From Gray to Lernoult via Mr. Valentine Enclosing a return [document 47]

49. April 12, 1782 From Gray to Lernoult Concerning the actions of three men sent out by Captain Sherwood

50. June 4, [1782]

Charges against Lieutenant Prentice for "Unmilitary and Ungentlemany Conduct"; from the "proceedings of a Regimental Court martial at St. Vincent"

51. April 21, 1782

From M. Perault to "Mon General"

Letter in French, complaining about insults on inhabitants by three officers of the regiment

52. April 25, 1782

From Gray at St. Vincent to Lernoult at Montreal Concerning Ensign Smith, who was granted a leave of absence to go on an assignment to St. Johns but does not want to go

53. April 26, 1782

From Gray at St. Vincent to Lernoult at Montreal Concerning the movement of a party to La Chine; concerning the conduct of a young gentleman

54. April 28, 1782 From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult Concerning the movement of troops to La Chine and St. Johns

55. May 10, 1782

From Gray at Isle Jesus to Lernoult at Montreal Confusion over an order to send Joseph Imprey to attend Colonel Chesir [?]; since the regiment has no Joseph Imprey, seeking clarification on which M. Imprey is being sought

56. May 22, 1782 From Gray to Lernoult Concerning a memorial from two men charged with being deserters

57. May 26, 1782 From Gray to Lernoult at Montreal Concerning behavior by soldiers harmful to inhabitants

58. May 26, 1782 From Gray to [?; probably Lernoult]

Complaining that the regiment's men are being treated badly with separate quarters in cantonments; requesting that they be quartered together in barns

59. June 6, 1783 [out of chronological order]

From Prentice at Montreal to "The Gentlemen" of the first battalion of the Regiment

Stating his repentance for his many "errors and indiscretions"; having now been confined for 13 months, seeking the gentlemen's approval that he has received sufficient punishment; requesting that they consider releasing him

60. June 12, 1782

From R. Duncan at Riviere du Chine [Chien?] to Gray at Isle Jesus Concerning efforts to resolve the affair between M. Lavallu and Messrs. Prentice, McAlpin, and Glen; offered Lavallu £20, but he replied that "his accepting any Sum of money wou'd appear mercenary in the Eyes of the General, but that whatever Sum His Excell'y wou'd name, he should cheerfully abide by and accept"

61. June 16, 1782 From Gray at Isle Jesus to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning a memorial from Prentice, "to which I believe his Exc'll will pay no attention"

62. [no date]
From Gray to [?]
Concerning a man Major John Nairne will not give up; enclosing a letter
[not microfilmed]

63. June 24, 1782 From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning three rebel prisoners and Mr. McAlpin's conduct and treatment of the prisoners

64. July 4, 1782 From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult Concerning the closing out of the Prentice affair; recommending his nephew Jacob Tarrant for promotion

65. July 11, 1782 From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult Concerning bill from M. Lavallu for £50 in damages, which Gray thought extravagant and instructed Lavallu to present a bill for reasonable expenses

66. July 18, 1782
From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult
The Prentice affair continues; Prentice had agreed to resign but now will not agree with his commission's being sold; possibility still of a court martial for him, but the regimental officers prefer that the currently negotiated provisions against him be enforced

67. July 18, 1782

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning which officers will testify against Prentice in his court martial

68. July 26, 1782

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Requesting consideration for Captain Allen McDonell's son to fill the vacancy in the regiment

69. August 5, 1782

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning the Prentice court martial (as part of a general court martial in Quebec); Prentice is determined to stand trial; requests that all but two of the regiment's officers attend, which Gray finds unreasonable; Gray requesting that the trial be held in Montreal, where the regiment is headquartered

70. August 27, 1782

From Gray at St. Catherine to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning a favor for Chaplain Mr. Doty

71. September 9, 1782

From Gray at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Responding to order to send 60 men to Isle aux Noix; explaining that he has only a few sick men at headquarters

72. October 21, 1782

From Johnson at Quebec to Lernoult

Offering thanks for receiving orders "relative to the Establishment of my first Battalion, and myself appointed as Superintendent General of Indian Affairs"

73. December 22, 1782

From Gray to Lernoult

Concerning Ensign Smyth's being taken from his command at Isle aux Noix by his father "to go upon secret service" possibly without an order from the commander in chief to do so; requesting "to know the Truth of this."

74. December 23, 1782

From Gray at Isle Jesus to Lernoult at Quebec

Requesting approval to apply to the commander in chief for a commission for his son, for which he already has Johnson's approbation

75. June 9, 1783

From Captain John Munro at Montreal to Lernoult

Complying with the request to submit the officers' charges against Prentice but stating the officers' opinion that Prentice should be shown leniency and not subjected to a trial

76. [no date]

List of officers in both battalions affected by promotion possibilities

Royal Regiment of New York, field officers letters, 1783: 27 documents with dates from January 1, 1783 through December 18, 1783 (printed page numbers 99 through 133)

77. January 1, 1783

From Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Johnson at Montreal to Major Richard

Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general

Concerning a resignation and several promotions; enclosing a list of

officers for promotion [document 78] and Captain Joseph Anderson's request to resign [document 79]

78. December 24, 1782

From Captain Joseph Anderson at Coteau du Lac to [?]

Requesting leave to "Quit my Commission"

79. [no date]

Return of officers in the regiment for promotion

80. January 2, 1783

From Major James Gray, commander of the first battalion, to Lernoult Concerning a commission for his son

81. February 8, 1783

From Gray at Terre Bonne to Lernoult

Concerning a commission for Chesterton McDonell as lieutenant in Butler's Rangers; having only heard about it but having received no orders, is requesting to know the truth

82. February 4, 1783

From Gray to [?]

Since Major Nairne has found no use for an officer for the working party at Isle aux Noix, requesting that no officer be assigned there

83. February 26, 1783

From Gray at Terre Bonne to Lernoult at Quebec

Requesting return to the regiment of a man named McKlachy, he having been sent to Sorel, since he is the regiment's only gun smith

84. February 28, 1783

From Gray at Terre Bonne to Lernoult

Sending a revised return leaving out two volunteers included by Johnson whom Gray thinks are still boys

85. April 17, 1783

From Johnson to [?]

Concerning promotions, including errors in dates in the lists of promotable officers for the first and second battalions; enclosing a corrected list [document 86] and a memorial [not microfilmed]

86. [no date]

List of promotable officers

87. April 29, 1783

From John Herms [?] at Montreal to Gray

Concerning his having employed four Canadians to look for deserters, whom he paid; seeking payment for his expenses.

88. April 30, 1783

From Gray to Lernoult at Quebec

Enclosing one of the last returns he will send; thanking Lernoult for his favors, especially support for a commission for his son, although not successful; promising to meet his outstanding obligations

89. April 30, 1783

From Gray to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning efforts to search for and capture a "Nest of Deserters from the Service" hiding out in the back country; seeking reimbursement to Captain John Munro for the costs he incurred in commanding this expedition

90. May 29, 1783

From Johnson at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning promotions among the officers

91. June 5, 1783

From Gray to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning the charges against Prentice, which Brigadier General Barry St. Leger has and, at his order, Gray has not sent to Lernoult

92. August 16, 1783

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning two colonial men who Gray had accepted into the regiment to become noncommissioned officers, but who have not worked out; seeking an arrangement to send them to another regiment

93. August 20, 1783

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning the two men who didn't work out, their behavior has been unacceptable; requesting again that they be removed from this regiment; enclosing documentation on the two men [document 94]

94. [no date]

Documentation on the two men, signed by Jonathan Valentine, regimental adjutant

95. August 28, 1783

From Johnson at Montreal to Lernoult

Having received the command to discontinue all recruiting efforts among provincials and to recall all recruiters, Johnson will notify all the provincial corps to ensure their compliance

96. September 4, 1783

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Again seeking support for a commission for his son, especially in light of "My long services, and losses by this [?] war, [which] robed me of a good living"

97. September 22, 1783

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Informing Lernoult that Gray has a private soldier named John Mosier confined for mutiny; suggesting that he be tried at the upcoming general court martial at St. Johns.

98. October 9, 1783

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Informing Lernoult that Mosier, once sobered up after his crime, has asked to be discharged; requesting approval for this instead of court martial

99. November 27, 1783

From Johnson at Montreal to Lernoult

Seeking to fill the vacancies in his two battalions; requesting that his son Richard Johnson not be forgotten for promotion; enclosing a list of volunteers in the regiment [document 100]

100. [no date]

List of volunteers of the regiment, signed by Johnson

101. December 15, 1783

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Enclosing a memorial from Lieutenant McKenzie to have his pay approved and a petition from two other men; supporting each [memorial and petition not microfilmed]

102. December 18, 1783

From Gray at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Sending in two corrections in a recent return; asking what he should do with Mosier

Royal Regiment of New York, papers concerning the second battalion, 1779, 1781-82 (possibly 1778 as well): 13 documents with dates from July 4, 1779 through May 22, 1782 (printed page numbers 134 through 152)

103. July 4, 1779

Monthly return of the company commanded by Captain Robert Leake, at St. Genevieve, signed by Leake

104. January 12, 1781

From Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Johnson at Montreal to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general at Quebec Enclosing return of the officers and volunteers in the regiment, with dates of commissions and time of service

105. April 19, 1782

"Return of the Loyalists attached to the 2nd Batt'n" of the regiment, including women and children, signed by Leake

106. May 3, 1782

"Present State of the 2nd Battalion", signed by Leake

107. May 5, 1782

Names of Officers and Men of the 2nd Ball'n…left in Canada", signed by Leake

108. May 22, 1782

"List of Officers of the 2nd Ball'n", at Montreal, signed by Leake

109. [no date; penciled note: March 9, 1778] List of "Promotions in the first Battalion"

110. [no date]

"Return of Officers recommended for Promotion in the Second battalion"

111. [no date]

"Return of Officers recommended for promotion in the Second Battalion" [different from the previous one]

112. [no date]

"Officers for promotion in the first Battalion", from Johnson to Le Maistre

113. [no date]

Notice to "Loyalists" of recruitment for Lieutenant Colonel James Rogers' Corps of Rangers, authorized by General Sir Henry Clinton, which will include three companies, one of them commanded by Rogers; also combining the four-year-old but undermanned corps of Lieutenant Colonel Ebenezer Jessup and of Lieutenant Colonel John Peters, along with Lieutenant Thomas Fraser's men; both Jessup and Peters will be removed to the Company of Pensioners because of their poor health; also Captain Leake's corps will be incorporated with Sir John Johnson's second battalion, along with 24 men attached to Mr. McAlpin; including lists of officers and supernumerary officers proposed for Major Edward Jessup's Corps and a list of "Gentlemen Submitted from their pretention and characters to be Appointed Officers in the Corps of Loyalists to be Commanded by Major Jessup"

114. [no date]

Report to General Frederick Haldimand of a board charged "to enquire what method would prove best to render the number of Loyalists in this Province service to his Majesty"; recommending that Rogers' Corps remain

a separate corps from the other loyalist corps

115. [no date]

A document labeled at the top "G. O." [probably general order] approving the list of gentlemen [not included here] to serve as officers in Major Jessup's corps and authorizing Sir John Johnson to raise a second battalion to his corps

Roger's King's Rangers, field officers letters, 1781-1783: 8 documents with dates from June 29, 1781 through August 29, 1783 (printed page numbers 153 through 162)

116. June 29, 1781

From Major James Rogers at St. Johns to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general

Sending, by order of Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger, his sergeant major, who is well acquainted with the circumstances of prisoners belonging to the King's rangers now at Quebec [microfilmed twice]

117. July 21, 1781

From Rogers at St. Johns to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

Requesting assistance in procuring arms for his corps and clothing for new recruits

118. September 1, 1781

From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult

Requesting to know whether troops of his sent to Quebec should be retained on the corps' returns; other personnel matters; note on address side: "requires no answer M. R. having had frequent answers from C't Mathews on the Subject"

119. November 16, 1782

From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult

Encloses list of officers with dates of their warrants [not microfilmed]

120. July 7, 1783

From seven officers of the corps at St. Johns to Rogers at St. Johns Concerning "the scandalous report of Captain James Breckinridge's ungentelmanlike behavour lately at Dutchmans Point"; requesting that he be relieved of duty with them

121. July 23, 1783

From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult

Reporting having put Breckinridge under arrest in response to the complaint made to him by his officers

122. August 29, 1783

From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult

Acknowledging having received the commander in chief's August 25 notice to discontinue recruitment of provincials

123. [no date]

List of officers in Rogers' Corps with the number of men enlisted by each officer

Barrack Master General's Department, 1780-1783: 21 documents with dates from March 17, 1780 through December 24, 1783 (printed page numbers 163 through 184) 124. October 1, 1780

"Return of Barrack Masters in the Province of Quebec"; signed by Deputy Barrack Master General Richard Murray

125. March 17, 1780

"Proposed Mode for Supplying the Garrison of Sorell with wood"

126. November 3, 1780

From the Barrack Office at Quebec

"Return of Wood drawn for in the Garrison of Quebec"; signed by Murray

127. [no date]

From Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger at St. Johns

"Return of Exchanged Prisoners of his Majesty's Regular Regiments and Provincial Corps by last Cartel from Vermont"; signed by St. Leger

128. October 16, 1781

"Return of Barrack Masters in the Province of Quebec"; signed by Murray and by General Frederick Haldimand

129. November 3, 1781

"Return of Officers and Men, who will probably Draw Fire wood and Candles, during the Winter in the Engineers Department"; at Quebec; signed by Captain and Commander of Engineers William Twiss

130. [no date]

List of men, by rank, serving in the Engineers Department; signed by Twiss

131. November 11, 1781

State of the [Hessian] infantry regiment commanded by Prince Frederick of Brunswick; at Quebec; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Christian Julius Practorius [written in French]

132. [no date]

Scrap of paper with a list of the number of troops, by rank, in Prince Frederick's regiment

133. November 14, 1781

"State of the Garrison of Quebec, Specifying the Consumption of Fuel during the Winter"; includes the Engineer's Department, 31st regiment, Prince Frederick's regiment, and Mirbach/Jung-von Lossberg's [Hessian] regiment

134. November 14, 1781

"Return of Wood to be drawn for in the Garrison" at Quebec

135. November 14, 1781

"Return of Officers & Men in the underment'd Corps [?] in the Garrison of Quebec"

136. [no date]

Scrap of paper with a list of the number of troops by rank in Lossberg's regiment

137. June 1, 1782

"List of the Barrack Masters in the Province of Quebec"

138. August 15, 1782

From Diedrick Brehm, barrack master general at Quebec

"Return of Barrack Masters in the Province of Quebec"; signed by Brehm

139. July 24, 1783

From Brehm

"Return of Barrack Masters in the Province of Quebec"; signed by Brehm

140. November 5, 1783

"Return of the Number of Men that can be Lodged in the different Barracks"; at Quebec; signed by Murray

141. [December 24, 1783]

"State of the Garrison, Staff, and others who will be Intitled to Receive Fuel etc. from the Barrack Master, at Three Rivers after the 24th December 1783"

142. December 24, 1783

"General Return of Barrack Beding & Stores at the different Garrisons in the Province of Quebecv & the Frontiers thereof"; at Quebec; signed by Brehm; garrisons listed include Quebec, Three Rivers, Sorel, Montreal and Chambly, St. Johns, Isle aux Noix, Oswegatchie, Carleton Island, Oswego, Cataraqui, Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac

143. [no date]

"The Hessian Regiment of Lossberg with their Artillery is divided in the following Parishes for their Winter Quarters"

144. [no date]

"Return of Wood wanted for the 44th & Lossbergs Corps for 12 Winter weeks"

Royal Regiment of New York, muster rolls: 35 documents with dates mostly of February 23, 1777 and January 21, 1778 (printed page numbers 185 through 220)

145. February 23, 1777

Return of Major James Gray's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Gray, Lieutenant William Morrison, and Ensign Edward Wall; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Gray, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"

146. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Richard Browne's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Browne and Lieutenant James McDonell; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Browne, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"

147. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Patrick Daly's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Daly, Lieutenant Richard Walker, and Ensign Thomas Crothers; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Daly, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"

148. February 23, 1777

Return of Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Jonson's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Lieutenant George Singleton and Ensign William Byrne; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Singleton, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"

149. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Stephen Watts' Company of the regiment for 189 days of

service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Lieutenant Kenneth McKenzie; including "Officers Certificate" signed by McKenzie, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"

150. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Daly's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Daly, Walker, and Crothers; "Paymaster Generals Roll"

151. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Watts' Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by McKenzie; "Paymaster Generals Roll"

152. February 23, 1777

Return of Major Gray's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Gray, Morrison, and Wall; "Paymaster Generals Roll"

153. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Browne's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Browne and James McDonell; "Paymaster Generals Roll"

154. February 23, 1777

Return of Lieutenant Colonel Johnson's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Lieutenant George Singleton and Ensign William Byrne; "Paymaster General's Roll"

155. February 23, 1776 [actually 1777]

Return of Captain Watts' Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by McKenzie; "Comptrolers Roll"

156. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Browne's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Browne and James McDonell; "Comptrolers Roll"

157. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Daly's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Daly, Walker, and Crothers; "Comptrolers Roll"

158. February 23, 1777

Return of Major Gray's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Gray, Morrison, and Wall; "Comptrolers Roll"

159. February 23, 1777

Return of Lieutenant Colonel Johnson's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Singleton and Byrne; "Comptrolers Roll"

160. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Daly's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Daly, Walker, and Crothers; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Daly, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"; "Commissary Generals Roll"

161. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Browne's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Browne and James McDonell; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Browne, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"; "Commissary Generals Roll"

162. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Watts' Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by McKenzie; including "Officers Certificate" signed by McKenzie, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"; "Commissary Generals Roll"

163. February 23, 1777

Return of Major Gray's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Gray, Morrison, and Wall; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Gray, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"; "Commissary Generals Roll"

164. February 23, 1777

Return of Lieutenant Colonel Johnson's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; signed by Singleton and Byrne; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Singleton, "Commissarys Oath", and "Proof Table"; "Commissary Generals Roll"

165. February 23, 1777

Return of Captain Watts' Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; "The Call Roll or Officers Return Roll"

166. December 24, 1776

Return of Major Gray's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; "The Call Roll or Officers Return Roll"

167. December 24, 1776

Return of Captain Browne's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; "The Call Roll or Officers Return Roll"

168. [no date]

Return of Captain Daly's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; "The Call Roll or Officers Return Roll"

169. February, 23, 1777

Return of Lieutenant Colonel Johnson's Company of the regiment for 189 days of service, from June 19, 1776 through December 24, 1776; at Point Clair; "The Call Roll or Officers Return Roll"

170. January 22, 1778

Return of Lieutenant Colonel Johnson's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at Longeuil; signed by Johnson, Captain Lieutenant Joseph Anderson, and Acting Commissary H. Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Johnson and Anderson, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

171. January 21, 1778

Return of Major Gray's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at La Prairie; signed by

Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Gray, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

172. January 21, 1778

Return of Daly's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at La Prairie; signed by Daly, Lieutenant William Crawford and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Daly, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

173. January 21, 1778

Return of Watts' Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at La Prairie; signed by Captain Samuel Anderson and McKenzie and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Anderson, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

174. January 21, 1778

Return of Captain Samuel Anderson's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at La Prairie; signed by Anderson, McKenzie and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Anderson, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

175. January 21, 1778

Return of Captain Alexander McDonell's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at La Prairie; signed by McDonell, Crothers, and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by McDonell, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table" [microfilmed in reverse order]

176. January 21, 1778

Return of Captain Alexander McDonell's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at La Prairie; signed by McDonell, Lieutenant Thomas Crothers, and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by McDonell, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table" [second return for the same company, same place, same date, but slightly different contents compared with document 175]

177. January 21, 1778

Return of Captain John Munro's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; at La [Prairie]; signed by Munro, Morrison, and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Munro, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

178. January 21, 1778

Return of Captain Richard Duncan's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; signed by Duncan, Lieutenant Thomas Gummersel, and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by Duncan, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

179. January 21, 1778

Return of Captain James McDonell's Company of the regiment for 183 days of service, from June 25, 1777 through December 24, 1777; signed by McDonell, Lieutenant William Morrison, and Dickson; including "Officers Certificate" signed by McDonell, "Commissarys Oath" signed by Dickson, and "Proof Table"

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180. October 7, 1781

From Captain Azariah Pritchard [of Rogers' Corps] at St. Johns to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general at Quebec Concerning Thomas Wooster, brought in a prisoner, who, with his son, Thomas Jr., are both "true Friends to Government"

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<u>Swain Report Special: War Office 28, Regimental HQ Papers, Installment 5</u>

In the latest installment of this special series, Library Research Assistant David Swain adds a new installment to his catalog of War Office 28. This section covers several of the more un-loved and under-studied elements of the army: the various support departments. In particular, this set of WO 28 covers the general hospital, engineers, and general staff, as well as garrison muster rolls that were the product of over-worked mustermasters hired to keep the military paperwork in order. While these departments seldom figure in conventional narratives of the war, the work they did in taking care of wounded and ill soldiers, maintaining and building roads and structures, and insuring the smooth operations of the army across the whole of Canada made a significant impact in both the course and the experience of the conflict. It is hoped that David's good work in opening these documents for more detailed exploration will help to shed light on these under-appreciated elements of the British Army.

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Hospitals, returns and letters, 1776-1781: 45 documents with dates from February 28, 1776 through December 4, 1781 (printed page numbers 1 through 54)

1. February 28, 1776

"Instructions for the direction of the Hospital established for the Forces in Canada"; copy; original signed by Lord William Barrington, British secretary of war, at the War Office

2. December 24, 1776

"A List of Officers of the Hospital serving under the Command of His Excellency Sir Guy Carleton K. B. Commander in Chief"

3. May 26, 1777

"Proposed Disposition of the Hospital"; signed by Robert Knox, inspector of the hospitals; dated at the end of the document, Montreal, July 1, 1778

4. June 3, 1777

"Return of the Officers of the Hospital to remain in Canada"; signed at Montreal by Knox

5. November 3, 1777

"A return of the Hospital Staff in Canada"; signed by Knox

6. January 5, 1778

"A Return of the Hospital Staff in Canada"; signed at Montreal by Knox

7. February 17, 1778

From Thomas Prendergast, surgeon at the general hospital, at Three Rivers, to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec Concerning a complaint against Major Berner of the German Chasseurs about a dispute over housing

8. April 30, 1778

"Return of the Hospital Staff in Canada"; signed at Montreal by Knox

9. July 1, 1778

"Return of the Hospital Staff in Canada"; signed at Montreal by Knox

"Return of the Hospital Staff in Canada"; signed at Montreal by Knox [a second manuscript copy of the previous document]

11. July 2, 1778

From Knox at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Informing Le Maistre that he is about to leave for England, consistent with prior approvals

12. July 6, 1778

From William Barr, Esquire, purveyor of the hospital staff, at Montreal, to

Enclosing lists requested by Barrington and certificates to be signed by Carleton and the deputy pay master general; concerning the change of inspectors [lists and certificates not microfilmed]

13. July 6, 1778

From Knox at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Informing Le Maistre that Barr will be handling pay matters and explaining what will be needed done in that regard

14. July 6, 1778

From George Shepherd, hospital mate, at Montreal, to Le Maistre Requesting permission to return home to deal with "the situation of my private affairs [that] absolutely requires my presence"

15. July 6, 1778

From Barr at Montreal to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief for Canada

Enclosing returns of the staff of the hospitals in Canada [not microfilmed]

16. July 16, 1778

From D. Caldwell, apothecary to the army, at Montreal, to Le Maistre at Ouebec

Requesting that a certificate be signed of his having been on duty on the hospitals staff since January 1, 1776, so that he can be paid

17. August 25, 1778

From Barr at Montreal to "Your Excellency" [probably Haldimand] Reporting that plans are progressing for a hospital in the "Quebec Suburbs" in a house that is adequate except for an expected small expenditure to winterize the building; reporting that this will save 2,800 Livres per year in rent to the Hotel Dieu now used as a hospital in the area; expressing that "I have a very serious reason for not being willing to have Protestant Sick in a Convent or Nunnery. It has been said & I believe with truth, that the Nuns of the Hotel Dieu have killed some of our Sick by tampering with them about their conversion, when in a state of great weakness of Body & mind"

18. August 27, 1778

From Barr at Montreal to Le Maistre

Concerning rent of the new hospital building and appendages, which will total "one Hundred Pounds Halifax" per year, plus winterization costs of between 150 and 200 Pounds, resulting in a hospital sufficiently large for between 120 and 130 patients

19. September 12, 1778

From A. Mabane, surgeon, at Montreal, to Le Maistre Enclosing a return for the garrison hospital at Quebec [not microfilmed]

20. [no date]

"A Report of the Sick in the Garrison Hospital of Quebec from the 17 to the 27th September 1778", including those in the General Hospital and the Hotel Dieu; signed by Mabane

21. September 28, 1778

From Mabane at Quebec to Le Maistre

Enclosing a report of the garrison hospital [document 20]

22. [no date]

A Report of the Sick in the Garrison Hospital of Qubec from the 28 Sept'r to the 4th Oct'r 1778 Inclusive", including the General Hospital and the Hotel Dieu; signed by Mabane and by Hugh Alexander Kennedy, physician & inspector

23. October 5, 1778

From Mabane at Quebec to Le Maistre Enclosing a report of the garrison hospital [not microfilmed]

24. October 11, 1778

From Mabane at Quebec to Le Maistre

Enclosing a report of the garrison hospital [not microfilmed]

25. October 27, 1778

From John Graves at Machiche to Le Maistre

Requesting assistance in obtaining "Medicines for the Royalists at this Place"; having been told by the apothecary at Montreal that "they are Very Scarce" and that he "could not Let me have Such things as I wanted without an Order from the General"

26. September 30, 1779

From Barr at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Reporting that quantities of medical supplies have been delivered by the ships Eagle and Three Brothers but that he will send invoices if additional supplies are needed

27. October 7, 1779

From Kennedy at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Reporting that "Captain MacDougal of the Emigrants" arrived from Carleton Island with a certificate stating his indisposition to conduct his duties to recruit loyalists because of a "complaint of his kidneys, which I think deserves the strictest attention to medical Regimen" [microfilmed twice]

28. [no date]

"Return of His Majesty's Hospitals in Canada from the 8th to 14th December 1779", including Three Rivers, Montreal, and St. Johns; signed by Barr

29. January 2, 1780

From Barr at Three Rivers to Le Maistre

Enclosing depositions of 56 royalists at Machiche

30. [no date]

"Return of His Majesty's Hospitals in Canada from the 29th December 1779 to 4th January 1780", including Three Rivers, Montreal, and St. Johns; signed by Barr

31. July 14, 1780

From Barr at Three Rivers to Le Maistre at Quebec A chest of medicines for the Quebec garrison hospital is being sent by bateau and should arrive soon

32. [no date]

"Return of His Majesty's Hospitals in Canada from 27th September to 3rd October 1780"; including Three Rivers, Montreal, and St. Johns; signed by Barr

33. [no date]

"Return of His Majesty's Hospitals in Canada from the 18th to 24th October 1780"; including Three Rivers, Montreal, and St. Johns; signed by Barr

34. February 5, 1781

From Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec, to

Barr

Two new surgeons having been appointed, William Menzies to succeed Dr. Davison in the 84th Regiment of Foot and Andrew Graves to succeed Dr. Curie in the 53rd Regiment of Foot, the hospital staff is asked to supply two surgeon's mates to assist them

35. February 9, 1781

From Barr at Three Rivers to Lernoult

Explaining difficulties in responding to Lernoult's request for two surgeon's mates and suggesting an alternative approach

36. February 12, 1781

From Lernoult at Quebec to Barr

Concurring with Barr's approach to meet the need for two surgeon's mates; suggesting that sending a mate to relieve Dr. Menzies at Detroit can wait until spring

37. [no date]

"Return of His Majesty's Hospitals in Canada from the 21st to 27th Feb'ry 1781", including Three Rivers, Montreal, and St. Johns; signed by Barr

38. [no date]

"Return of His Majesty's Hospitals in Canada from 28th March to 3 April 1781", including Three Rivers, Montreal, and St. Johns; signed by Barr

39. [no date]

"Return of His Majesty's Hospitals in Canada from 11th to 17th April 1781", including Three Rivers, Montreal, and St. Johns; signed by Barr

40. July 23 1781

From William Menzies, surgeon of the 84th Regiment, at Sorel, to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning two drummer boys of the King's or 8th Regiment, who need a disposition, perhaps with the Music Master of the 34th

41. November 26, 1781

From Le Maistre to Barr

Concerning "destroying shore provisions reported unfit for use at Three Rivers"

42. December 4, 1781

From Barr at Three Rivers to Le Maistre

Reporting that the condemned provisions cannot be sunk in the river, as suggested, until the ice in the river dissipates

43. [no date]

Formal lists of the "Full Diet", "Half Diet", and "Low Diet" served at the hospitals Signed by Knox

44. [no date]

A scrap of paper identified as a list of "Patients to be sent up to Three Rivers" with names of men from the 44th Regiment, Fraser's corps, and the 8th Regiment, along with their "complaints"

45. [no date]

From Kennedy to [?]

Enclosing returns of "Invalids", including those from the "29th, 53rd, 31st Reg's Highland Emigrants, and a few of the 47th Reg't"

General Hospital Department, returns and letters, 1782-1783: 37 documents with dates from February 25, 1782 through November 17, 1783 (printed page numbers 55 through 100)

46. February 25, 1782

From Hugh Alexander Kennedy, physician and inspector, at Three Rivers, to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Requesting assistance in providing needed medicine for the 53rd Regiment

47. April 26, 1782

From Kennedy at Three Rivers to Lernoult Requesting assistance in providing needed medicine for the Royal New York, 44th, and 84th Regiments

48. August 4, 1782

From Kennedy at Three Rivers to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a list of staff of the General Hospital, along with the post of each [perhaps document 55]

49. August 21, 1782 From R. McAusland at Niagara to Lernoult Offering thanks for medical instruments received upon arrival from Detroit; various personal matters

50. October 8, 1782 From Thomas Prendergast, surgeon's mate, at Three Rivers, to Kennedy at Three Rivers Requesting permission to resign his position because of "private affairs requiring my personal attention"

51. October 4, 1782 From Kennedy at Three Rivers to Lernoult at Quebec Enclosing Prendergast's request to resign [document 50] and supporting its acceptance

52. [no date]
From Kennedy at Three Rivers to Lernoult
Supporting the request of Mr. James Connor, hospital mate, the "eldest
Extra Mate belonging to the General Hosp'l", to be made a "Regular Mate"

53. October 30, 1782
From Kennedy to Lernoult
Reporting at having followed orders to send Thomas Prendergast to
Oswego "in order to assist in taking care of the sick of that Post"; having
provided instructions to Prendergast on the treatment of scurvy

54. November 26, 1782
From Kennedy at Three Rivers to Lernoult
Reporting he has responded expeditiously to a request for medicines to be sent to the garrison at Carleton Island; reporting that other posts have recently received medicines

55. [no date]
A list of the staff of the general hospital of Canada with the locations of their posts; signed by Kennedy [may be the enclosure to document 48]

56. January 10, 1783 From Prendergast at Oswego to Lernoult at Quebec Renewing his request to resign; hoping that his service since 1766 "has been agreeable to my superiors"

57. April 12, 1783 From Prendergast at Oswego to Lernoult at Quebec Writing a third time requesting permission to resign

58. [no date]
From Kennedy to Lernoult
Reporting an application from Major General de Loas [?] of Lossberg's
Regiment for medicines needed by the regiment's surgeon and available
from the General Hospital; seeking guidance on how to proceed

59. June 24, 1783 "A Return of the Officers of the General Hospital"; at Three Rivers, signed by William Barr, purveyor for the General Hospital of Canada; headquarters note on reverse side "Copy Sent the War Office by the Grace 9th Nov'r Duplicate by the Three Sisters Entered"

60. June 26, 1783

From Prendergast at Oswego to Lernoult at Quebec Fourth request to resign, with more personal details of the reasons for his request, including an elderly father and his own poor health; note on the envelope "to write to Major Ross to give leave to Surg's Mt. Prendergast to come down to Quebec direct at Carleton Island"

61. July 1, 1783

From Kennedy to Lernoult

Requesting a leave of absence "till next Spring, in order to settle and arrange a property lately bequeath'd to my children by their Grand Father"

62. July 10, 1783

From Lernoult to Prendergast

Reporting that he has written to Major Ross "that if the service can any Way dispence with your Attendance at the Post under his Command, he will permit you to come down to Quebec, there to learn his Excellency's further Commands"

63. August 2, 1783

From Lernoult at Quebec to Kennedy

Informing Kennedy that his expenses in stationery and postage should be included in the contingent account of the general hospital

64. August 6, 1783

A statement of "Public Testimony" verifying that Mr. James Connor, Mate to the General Hospital in Canada, has served well for seven years; signed at the General Hospital in Montreal by Kennedy, Surgeon Pennel Cole, and [?] to the Army Richard Monington

65. August 7, 1783

From Prendergast at Oswego to Lernoult at Quebec Informing Lernoult that Major Ross ordered him "to Remain here untill further orders" and expressing "my disagreeable situation at the disapointment"; asking again that the commander in chief be informed "that I must earnestly Request his indulgence to quit the Service"; including a separate, unsigned, undated page with the following as a partial quote "As a Gentleman & Friend, I beg leave to Request that Relative to any further orders concerning me I may not be left in the power of Major Ross...[because] he would do any thing in his power to hurt me"

66. August 21, 1783

From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Niagara to [? probably Lernoult] Statement by Maclean of crimes by James Connor, surgeon's mate of the General Hospital; stating that MacLean had had Connor arrested "for having gone on board His Majesty's Ship; the Seneca at three O'Clock in the morning...having no business whatever there" and raising quite a ruckus on two ships

67. September 11, 1783

From Lernoult to Barr

Enclosing the statement of Connor's crimes [document 66]; informing Barr that His Excellency "has determined...to dispense with his further Service" and ordering Barr to inform Connor "without Delay"; appears to be a draft letter with substantial editing

68. September 22, 1783

From Lernoult to Barr

Forwarding a request from Lieutenant Colonel David Dundas for medical supplies for the post at Niagara; requesting that they be sent via Captain Maurer at Montreal

69. September 29, 1783

From Lernoult to Barr Ordering Barr to send Pennel Cole to Quebec, pursuant to an enclosed letter from Cole [not microfilmed]

70. September 30, 1783 From Barr at Three Rivers to Lernoult at Quebec Responding that the medical supplies requested for Niagara had been put on a vessel bound for Montreal and directed to Captain Maurer

71. October 3 [1783]
From Connor at Quebec to "Your Excellency" General Haldimand Responding to the commander in chief's termination of his service, stating that "My Situation I admit subjected me to the Military Orders but could not in any Degree to the illiberal and ungenerous abuse of any Commanding Officer", referring specifically to "the unmerited and undeserving usage I received from Brigadier McLean at Niagara" and therefore feeling "obliged to throw myself wholly on your Excellency's known Candor and Humanity"; headquarters note "to be refer'd to B. G. Macleans arrival"

72. October 10, 1783
From Connor at Quebec to Lernoult
Still upset about his "distress'd & Unhappy situation"; referring to the "arbitrary & Ignominious treatment I have met with"; now beset by creditors; requesting Lernoult's assistance in obtaining His Excellency's favor, as Connor is "convinced he is too Just to condemn & deprive me of my [?] without a hearing"; headquarters note on envelope "acc'd and answered the same Evening"

73. October 10, 1783 From Connor at Three Rivers to Lernoult at Quebec Agreeing reluctantly to follow Lernoult's advice to wait until Maclean comes from Niagara

74. October 19, 1783 From Pennel Cole at Quebec to Lernoult at Quebec Expressing thanks for having been granted leave to return to Europe

75. October 28, 1783 From Connor at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Since Maclean is going to Quebec, Connor wants to go there as well but lacks the financial means or official permission; requesting assistance

76. [no date] "Return of his Majestys Hospitals in Canada from the 22nd to 28th of October 1783", including Three Rivers, Quebec, and Montreal; signed by Barr

77. November 3, 1783
From Mclean to Connor (copy sent to headquarters)
In response to Connor's letter to him, informing Connor that "in my opinion your being dismissed the Service, is but a very mild punishm't for Your conduct at Niagara"; however, he has "spoke to the Genr'l in Your favor & he has been pleased to permit me to tell you that provided You will acknowledge Your Folly & that You will avoid future scrapes...& mind your business, he will permit You to remain" in the "hospital establishment"

78. November 10, 1783
From Connor at Montreal to Lernoult
Enclosing a letter from Maclean [document 77] and offering thanks to "His
Excellency...for his humanity & goodness in forgiving the impropriety of

my conduct at Niagara"

79. November 17, 1783

From Lernoult to Connor [copy of letter]

Acknowledging receipt of Connor's letter with enclosure of Maclean's letter [documents 78 and 77 respectively]; confirming that Connor will be "reinstated" as hospital mate; stating with confidence that Connor's future conduct "will be such in every Respect as will do credit to those Friends who have interested themselves in Your favor"

80. November 17, 1783

From Lernoult at Quebec to Dr. William Barr, Esquire Informing Barr of His Excellency's decision "to look over Mr. Jas. Connor's bad Conduct" and ordering him to reinstate Connor [copy of letter written on same page as document 79]

81. [no date]

"List of the Hospital Staff who draw their pay in Canada"

82. "Saturday Morn'g 9 oClock"

Unsigned note from Connor to Lernoult

"Mr. Connor begs leave to inform Major Lernoult that his lodging...is very expensive he is exceedingly solicitous to Know his fate"

Garrison states and returns from the upper posts, 1780-1782: 44 documents with dates from August 28, 1780 to December 24, 1782 (printed page numbers 101 through 143)

83. August 28, 1780

"Return of the Staff of the Garrison of Quebec"; signed by Town Major Thomas Faunce

84. December 24, 1781

"Return of the Staff of the Garrison Quebec"; signed by Faunce

85. January 1, 1782

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes Garrisoned by the 8th or King's Regiment of Foot"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; also including Royal Artillery; also including "Return of the Number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th Novem'r & 24th Decem'r 1781 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell; "rec'd May 5th"

86. January 1, 1782

"State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Major John Ross

87. January 24, 1782

"Return of the Garrison of Oswegatchie Commanded by Captain Daniel Robertson of His Majestys 84th Reg't of Foot"; signed by Robertson

88. February 1, 1782

"State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Ross

89. February 1, 1782

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes, Garrisoned by the King's or 8th Regiment"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; also including Royal Artillery; also including "Return of the Number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th Decem'r, 1781 and 24th January 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Powell; "rec'd May 5th"

90. February 19, 1782 "State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Ross

91. February 24, 1782 "Return of the Garrison of Oswegatchie commanded by Capt'n Dan'l Robertson of 84th Regiment"; signed by Robertson

92. March 1, 1782
"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes, Garrisoned by the King's or 8th Regiment"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; also including Royal Artillery; also including "Return of the Number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th January and 24th February 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Powell; "rec'd May 5th"

93. April 1, 1782
"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes, Garrisoned by the King's or 8th Regiment"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; also including Royal Artillery; also including "Return of the Number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th February and 24th March 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Powell; "rec'd May 5th"

94. April 23, 1782 "State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Ross

95. May 1, 1782
"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes, Garrisoned by the King's or 8th Regiment"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; also including Royal Artillery; also including "Return of the Number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th March and 24th April 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Powell

96. May 1, 1782 "State of the Garrison of Carleton Island": signed by Captain William Ancrum, 34th Regiment

97. May 26, 1782 "Return of the Garrison of Oswegatchie commanded by Capt'n Dan'l Robertson of his Majestys Royal 84th Regiment of Foot"; signed by Lieutenant MacLean

98. June 1, 1782
"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes, Garrisoned by the King's or 8th Regiment"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; also including Royal Artillery; also including "Return of the Number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th April and 24th May 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Powell

99. June 1, 1782 Unsigned partial copy of the previous monthly return of the upper lakes posts [document 98]

100. June 1, 1782

Second microfilmed copy of the previous [document 99]

101. June 1, 1782

"Present State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Ross

102. June 1, 1782

"State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Ancrum

103. July 1, 1782

"Present State of the Garrison of Oswego": not signed

104. July 1, 1782

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes, Garrisoned by the King's or 8th Regiment"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; also including Royal Artillery; also including "Return of the Number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th May and 24th June 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Powell

105. July 1, 1782

"Present State of the Garrison of Oswego": signed by Ross [microfilmed twice]

106. July 24, 1782

"Return of the Garrison of Oswegatchie commanded by Captain Daniel Robertson of his Majestys Royal 84th Regiment of Foot"; signed by Robertson

107. August 1, 1782

"Monthly Return of the Garrison of Niagara and its Dependencies"; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th June and 24th July 1782"; signed by Lieutenant Colonel John Butler

108. August 1, 1782

"Monthly Return of His Majesties Garrison of Detroit"; signed by Major A. S. De Peyster

109. August 1, 1782

"Present State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Ross

110. August 1, 1782

"State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Ancrum

111. [no date]

"Return of the different Posts upon the uper Lakes & Quebec"; including posts at Niagara (Brigadier General Powell), Detroit (Major De Peyster), Michilimackinac (Lieutenant Governor Sinclair), Carleton Island (Captain Ancrum), Oswegatchie (Captain Robertson), and Oswego (Major Ross); not signed

112. September 1, 1782

"Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes & Quebec"; including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the number of Persons drawing Provisions out of the King's Stores at Niagara including the Landing & Fort Schlosser between the 25th July and 24th August 1782"; signed at Niagara by Powell

113. September 1, 1782

"Present State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Ross

114. September 1, 1782 Slightly different copy of the previous State of the Garrison of Oswego; signed by Ross

115. September 1, 1782 List of casualties in August, since the last State of the Garrison of Ontario; including soldiers of the 84th Regiment, the Second Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, and Butler's Rangers

116. September 1, 1782 "State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Ancrum

117. September 25, 1782 "Strength of the Garrison at Oswegatchie"; signed by Lieutenant Randall McDonell, 84th Regiment

118. October 1, 1782 "Present State of the Garrison of Carleton Island": signed by Captain James McDonell, Second Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York

119. October 1, 1782
"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the No. of Persons drawing Provisions at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th August and 24th September 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Lieutenant A. Dundas, King's or 8th Regiment

120. October 21, 1782 "Distribution of the Troops in the upper Posts under the Command of Brigadier General Maclean, officers Included"

121. November 1, 1782 "Monthly Return of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by James McDonell

122. November 1, 1782 "Present State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Ross

123. November 1, 1782 "Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the No. of Persons drawing Provisions at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th September and 24th October 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Dundas

124. November 24, 1782 "Monthly Return of His Majesties Garrison at Michilimackinac Island"; signed by Robertson

125. December 1, 1782

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the No. of Persons drawing Provisions at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th October and 24th November 1782 inclusive"; not signed

126. December 24, 1782 "Monthly Return of His Majesties Garrison at Michilimackinac Island"; signed by Robertson

Garrison states and returns of the upper posts, 1781-1783: 37 documents with dates from October 23, 1781 through December 24, 1783 (printed page numbers 144 through 181)

127. October 23, 1781

"A Return of the Staff of Montreal 1781"; signed by Brigade Major William Dunbar

128. October 6, 1782

"A List of the Officers of the Loyal Rangers & the Dates of their Appointments"

129. January 1, 1783

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the Number Persons Victual'd at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th November and 24th December 1782 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Brigadier General Allan Maclean

130. January 16, 1783

"Present State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; not signed

131. February 1, 1783

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the Number Persons Victual'd at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th December 1782 and 24th January 1783 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Maclean

132. February 23, 1783

"Present State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Major John Adolphus Harris

133. March 1, 1783

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the Number Persons Victual'd at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th January and 24th February 1783 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Maclean

134. April 1, 1783

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the Number Persons Victual'd at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th February and 24th March 1783 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Maclean

135. April 1, 1783

"A Copy of a Present State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Major John Ross

136. April 24, 1783

"Present State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Harris

137. May 1, 1783

"A Copy of a Present State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Ross

138. May 1, 1783

"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the No. of Persons Victual'd at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th March and 24th April 1783 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Maclean

139. May 24, 1783 "Present State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Harris

140. June 1, 1783 "A Copy of a Present State of the Garrison of Oswego"; signed by Ross

141. June 1, 1783
"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the Number of Persons Victual'd at Niagara including the Landing and Fort Schlosser between the 25th April and 24th May 1783 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Maclean

142. June 24, 1783 "Present State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Harris

143. June 24, 1783 "Return of the Staff of the Garrison Quebec"; signed by Town Major Thomas Faunce

144. June 24, 1783 "Return of the Staff officers of the Garrison Montreal"; signed by Town Major James Hughes

145. July 1, 1783
"Monthly Return of the different Posts upon the upper Lakes": including posts at Niagara, Detroit, and Michilimackinac; including Royal Artillery; including "Return of the Number of Persons Victual'd at Niagara including Fort Schlosser and the Landing between the 25th May and 24th June 1783 inclusive"; signed at Niagara by Maclean

146. July 11, 1783 "Strength of the Garrison at Oswegatchie"; signed by Lieutenant Randall McDonell, 84th Regiment

147. July 24, 1783 "Present State of the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Harris

148. July 1, 1783 "State of the Garrison of Cataraqua Head Quarters Quebec"; not signed

149. September 24, 1783 "Present State of the Troops in the Garrison of Carleton Island"; signed by Captain David Alexander Grant, 84th Regiment

150. September 24, 1783 "State of the Garrison of Isle aux Noix and its dependencies"; signed by Major John Nairne, 53rd Regiment

151. July 1, 1783 Copy of "Return of the Staff of the Garrison of Montreal"; signed by J H[ughes]

152. October 1, 1783 Copy of "Return of the Staff of the Garrison of Montreal": signed by J H[ughes] [on the same page as document 151]

153. October 1, 1783 Copy of "Return of the Staff of the Garrison of Quebec"; signed by J H[ughes]

154. July 1, 1783 Copy of "Return of the Staff of the Garrison of Quebec"; not signed [on the same page as document 153]

155. October 1, 1783 "State of the Garrison of Cataraqua Head Quarters Quebec"; not signed

156. October 1, 1783 "Present State of the Garrison of Oswego": signed by Captain Thomas Gumenall [?]

157. October 24, 1783 "Return of the Staff of this Garrison Montreal"; signed by Hughes

158. October 30, 1783 "State of the Garrison of Isle aux Noix and its Dependencies"; signed by Captain John Baird, 59th Regiment

159. November 24, 1783 "State of the Garrison of Cataraqua"; signed by Major John Ross

160. December 24, 1783 "Return of the Staff of this Garrison Montreal"; signed by Hughes

161. December 24, 1783 "Return of the Staff of the Garrison Quebec"; signed by Faunce

162. [no date] List of the officers, sergeants, and soldiers of the Anhalt Zerbst Regiment who were employed in work for the King during the winter [written in French]

163. [no date]
"Schedule of General Courts Martial, Courts of Enquiry, Letters,
Memorials, Petitions & Returns of the British & Provincial Troops from the
Year 1776 to 1783 inclusive" [59 numbered items listed]

General staff of the Northern Army; garrison staff, 1776-1783: 15 documents with dates from March 7, 1778 through June 24, 1783 (printed page numbers 182 through 204)

164. [no date] "List of Generals and Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada", including separate list of German Staff [with inked in corrections and deletions]

165. [no date]
"List of Generals and Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada", including separate list of German Staff [reorganized, clean copy reflecting changes from document 164]

166. [no date]
"List of Generals and Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada",
including separate list of German Staff [another, different copy with inked
in corrections and deletions]

167. [no date]

"List of General and Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada", including separate list of German Staff [another, different list, this one signed by Commander in Commander in Chief, General Sir Guy Carleton]

168. [no date]

"List of General and Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada", including separate list of German Staff [another, different list]

169. March 7, 1778

"List of Officers of the British Staff who have drawn their pay in pursuance of His Excellency General Sir Guy Carletons Warrant, dated 28th Aug't 1777 directing the same from 1 January to 24th June 1777"; signed at Montreal by Jacob Jordan, D. Paym Ge [deputy paymaster general?]

170. June 24, 1782

"Return of the Staff of the Garrison Quebec"; signed by Town Major Thomas Faunce

171. June 1, 1782

"List of the General and Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada", including separate lists of German Staff and General Horse Staff

172. November 1, 1782

"List of the General & Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada"; including separate list of German Staff; not signed

173. December 24, 1782

"Return of the Staff of the Garrison Quebec"; signed by Faunce

174. June 24, 1783

"List of the General & Staff Officers of the Army Serving in Canada, Head Quarters Quebec"; including separate lists of German Staff, Hospital, Established Mates, and Additional Mates

175. [no date]

"(Duplicate) A List of the British & German Staff of the Army in Canada who receive their pay by Warrant from His Excellency Gen'l Frederick Haldimand"; including separate list of German staff; signed by Haldimand

176. [no date]

"A List of the British & German Staff of the Army in Canada who receive their pay by Warrant from His Excellency Gen'l Frederick Haldimand"; including separate list of German staff; signed by Haldimand [same contents as document 175]

177. [no date]

"List of the Officers attached to General de Riedesels Suite"; signed by Aide de Camp Quin [?] John Freeman

178. [no date]

"List of the Officers attached to General de Riedesels Suite"; not signed

Engineers Department, letters and papers, 1777-1783: 26 documents with dates from May 4, 1778 through October 21, 1783 (printed page numbers 205 through 233)

179. [no date]

"Return of Engineers Stores wanting for Niagara and Fort Erie for the Year

1777"; signed by Captain Richard Berringer Lernoult, commander of Niagara & dependencies

180. May 4, 1778

From Captain John Marr, commander of engineering in Canada, in Quebec to Sir Guy Carleton, governor and commander in chief Concerning the "Lakey" roof of the Cape Diamond Guard House and the roof of the Dauphine Barracks, which is not "tight," and the sally port on the battery, which "wants under pinnings," etc.

181. July 19, 1778

From Lieutenant and "Sub" engineer William Iniss at St. Johns to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general Concerning "artificers" and tools necessary for work at this post, etc.

182. July 27, 1778

From Iniss at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting on plans to take "Tools and Stores" to La Chine for work to be done there

183. October 20, 1778

"Return and State of Engineers Stores taken at Michilimackinac"; signed by Major A. S. De Peyster

184. November 9, 1778

From Marr at Quebec to General Frederick Haldimand, governor and commander in chief

Concerning construction of a guard house

185. November 16, 1778

From Iniss at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec

Informing Le Maistre that severe weather has delayed all outside work; reporting progress on building projects

186. November 24, 1778

From Marr in Quebec to Haldimand

Reporting that the "grand Battery Guard House is now covered in" and has a stove and that the "platforms wanted on the Ramparts and Cavaliers are compleated"; requesting additional tools

187. November 27, 1778

From Marr at Quebec to Captain Shanks

Requesting that he" get the plank on the Kings Wharf of which you spoke to me before properly piled" so that he can secure them

188. December 3, 1778

From Marr to Alexander Shaw, Esq., commissioner [?] and paymaster to the Royal Artillery in Canada

Directing Shaw to issue "earthen rammers" and "Beetles for driving of pickets" from the engineers stores for use in raising platforms on the common

189. April 15, 1779

From William Barr, purveyor for the general hospital at Montreal to Le Maistre

Informing Le Maistre that medicines for the 8th Regiment will be ready for Captain Butler

190. July 4, 1780

"Return of Artificers in the Detachm't of 44th Regim't [at] Charlebourg"; signed by Captain William Norton, 44th Regiment

191. July 4, 1780

"Return of Artificers among the Hessian and Brunswick Troops, under the Comand of Brigadier General de Loos"; signed at Quebec by Ritter

192. June 7, 1780

From Iniss at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Reporting on a trip he is about to take to attend to personal business at Sorel and to "examine a little into the Situation of the General Hospital at the Three Rivers" before returning to Quebec

193. August 2, 1780

"Return of Ammunition Boxes made by the artificers of the Engineer's Department in 1779"; signed at Quebec by James Thompson, governor of works

194. November 18, 1780

"Return of the Officers Artificers Labourers etc. To be Employed on the Fortifications at Quebec, During the Winter Season under the Direction of Captain William Swiss [sic] Commanding Engineers in Canada"; signed by Iniss

195. January 1, 1781

From [? perhaps Le Maistre] at Quebec to Iniss

Requesting information, at "the General's" request, concerning John Matress [?], who "has laboured under the displeasure of" Colonel Barry St. Leger; seeking to determine whether the man's behavior can be forgiven

196. January 28, 1781

"Return of the Number of Artificers belonging to the Engineers department Both Civil and Millitary"; signed at Carleton Island by Henry Rudyard, engineer

197. August 22, 1781

"Return of the Number of Men of the Hessian Troops who understands to mine"; signed at Camp Heights-Abraham by Zimmermann, adjutant

198. August 22, 1781

"Return of the No. of Men of the 31st Regiment employ'd as Miners in the Engineer Department"; signed at Camp Heights-Abraham by Sergeant Major Matthew Thompson, 31st Regiment

199. August 20, 1781

"Return of Officers, arrived in the Fleet for the Engineers Department"; signed by Iniss; addressed to Major Lernoult, adjutant general

200. August 30, 1781

"Return of the Miners belonging to the Three Regiments in the district of Sorel"; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Forbes Macbean, commander of troops in the district of Sorel

201. September 1, 1781

"Return of the Brigade of Engineers serving with the Army in Canada under the Command of His Excellency General Haldimand"; signed at Quebec by Iniss; addressed to Lernoult

202. October 27, 1781

"Return of the Brigade of Engineers serving with the Army in Canada, under the Command of His Excellency General Haldimand"; signed at Quebec by Iniss; addressed to Lernoult

203. July 4, 1782

"Return of Artificers arrived on Board the Lady Townshend for the Engineer's Department"; signed at Quebec by Iniss

204. October 21, 1783 "Return of the Artificers etc.., employed in the Engineers Department at this post"; signed at Cataraqua by Lieutenant William [?], assistant engineer, 29th Regiment

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This latest installment of Library Research Assistant David Swain's catalog of War Office 28 continues this week with more coverage of the army's lesser-known departments. Among these are the staffs from the pivotal garrison posts of Montreal and St. John's along with the Quartermaster and Ordnance Departments, responsible for issuing equipment and ammunition to the troops. The selection of letters from Montreal and St. John's provide valuable insights into the day-to-day operations at those settlements along with a window into the social dynamics of the garrisons. The Quartermaster and Ordnance papers, meanwhile, shed new light on the operations of these largely-neglected departments.

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* Quartermaster General's Department, returns of bateaux, camp equipage, etc., 1778-1783: 27 documents, documents 215 through 241; printed page numbers 538 through 601)

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Reel 5: Montreal, letters from officers commanding, 1779-1780: 45 documents with dates from March 29, 1779 through December 28, 1780 (printed page numbers 1 through 103)

1. March 29, 1779

From Major John Nairne, commander of the 1st Battalion of the Royal Highland Emigrants, at Montreal to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general

Enclosing a disposition against Michel Chevalier, an officer in the local militia, accused of concealing deserters; having gotten a justice of the peace to issue a warrant for his arrest; hoping to apprehend him and make him an example to other Canadians, since some "who are believed either to be Bostonnois or Deserters, have every kind of protection and assistance"

2. March 23, 1779

The disposition in the court of the District of Montreal, Province of Quebec, referred to in document 1

3. April 1, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre Enclosing a return of arms wanting to complete the Regiment [microfilmed twice] [return not microfilmed]

4. April 9, 1779

From Lieutenant Colonel Mason Bolton at Niagara to "Officer Commanding at Montreal"
Sending to Montreal a man named Davis thought to be a rebel sympathizer

5. April 15, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Repeating his request for arms needed

6. April 24, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Mr. Davis [document 4] having arrived at Montreal, Nairne commenting that "he is a decent looking man I shall take proper Care of him till I have your answer"

7. April 29, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning his request for arms, the matter of Ensign Prentice's resignation, and the matter of Lieutenant Mackinnon, for whom he recommends a court of inquiry; stating his belief that the latter matter "is so Clear in favor of Lieut. Mackinnon"

8. June 3, 1779

From Nairne at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing Ensign J. W. Prentice's resignation [document 9] and recommending volunteer John MacNab to fill the vacancy

9. April 3, 1779

From Ensign Prentice to Nairne

Ensign Prentice's resignation notice, to be effective May 24

10. August 24, 1779

From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Quebec to "His Excellency the Commander in Chief"

Enclosing a list of officers of the 1st Battalion of the 84th Regiment; requesting certification of the dates of their commissions, since their original commissions were granted by General Guy Carleton, not the King; including veiled complaints about actions by Carleton

11. September 23, 1779

From Maclean at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Since Major William Dunbar had been appointed to act as Maclean's brigade major, requesting that this appointment be included in general orders; also requesting 70 stand of arms needed to complete arming of his regiment

12. October 1, 1770

From Brigade Major Dunbar to Le Maistre

Enclosing a letter from Colonel Mason Bolton [document 13] and a return of three rebel prisoners "who call themselves officers" [not microfilmed]; also, informing that two more rebel prisoners had been sent to Montreal from Niagara

13. September 16, 1779

From Bolton to the "Officer Commanding at Montreal" Cover letter for the enclosed list of prisoners sent to Montreal [list not microfilmed]

14. October 26, 1779

From Maclean at Quebec to Le Maistre

Concerning Ensign Prentice's letter to Le Maistre, which Le Maistre had sent to Maclean, and which MacLean had perused; expressing disagreement with the content of Prentice's letter; stating that Prentice "must immediately make his option of Joining the Regt without pay, or remaing a Commissary"

15. November 15, 1779

From Maclean at Montreal to Le Maistre

Stating that "As I have never received any Instructions or Orders from the Commander in Chief, respecting the Extent of my Command in this district", requesting that the commander in chief "let me know how far my Command Extents"; additional comments about the Prentice matter

16. November 25, 1779

From Maclean at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Three-page letter justifying Maclean's actions in relation to the matter of Ensign Pringle and Ensign McDonell's both wishing to purchase a commission, Pringle succeeding, and McDonell's having just submitted a memorial complaining about the result [second page microfilmed twice] [third page is a note added after the original letter]

17. December 2, 1779

From Major John Adolphus Harris at Montreal to Le Maistre Concerning confusion in the regiment's recent return

18. December 2, 1779

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Requesting advice on how to handle a soldier of the 28th Regiment who had been captured by the Rebels, escaped, was assigned to Butler's corps, and sustained a hand wound that has disabled him from combat.

19. December 2, 1779

From Maclean at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning William Hale, a deserter from both the 84th and the 29th; suggesting that he be sent to a man of war

20. December 13, 1779

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre

Reporting on behalf of Maclean that, while never responding to Maclean in writing, Prentice had in fact made his decision by continuing to perform his commissary duties; Maclean still waiting for instructions concerning four prisoners

21. December 23, 1779

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Not anticipating doing anything more until the spring to improve accommodations of prisoners; stating that the existing prisoners are suffering from the harsh weather; requesting permission to move them to Ouebec

22. May 29, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that Major Harris wishes to encamp the 1st Battalion of the 84th Regiment for two or three weeks "Their being so much Scatter'd at present, rendering it impossible to put them into that order which is Necessary"

23. June 1, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting on MacLean's behalf that 120 men of the 84th have been ordered to enforce the orders of the officers of militia against unwillingness of the local inhabitants concerning the transport of provisions

24. June 12, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting arrival of 12 more prisoners from Niagara; requesting instructions about what to do with them and the other prisoners already there

25. June 15, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning two prisoners brought in by Indians during early spring and now confined at Chambly along with other rebel prisoners; reporting that they seem to be bona fide loyalists; seeking instructions on what to do with them

26. June 19, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting the arrival of Captain Aubrey of the 19th Regiment, who "has brought with him what evidence he thought necessary for a General Court Martial"

27. July 2, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that Maclean is sending two prisoners by boat to Quebec, both of whom Maclean believes are excellent and useful men

28. July 3, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Expressing Maclean's sorrow that "there shou'd have been any cause of complaint against Ensign Macdonald's party of the 84th Reg't for Embezeling the rum they Escorted to Carleton Island"; providing Maclean's explanation of the situation and justification of his actions

29. July 6, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that Maclean has sent a deserter from Fort Stanwix, William Litle, who wishes to return to a life at sea

30. July 13, 1780
From Maclean at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec
Enclosing a "Certificate" concerning a man "who is really in a Very
Deplorable Situation"; requesting that the commander in chief "grant him
Leave to go with the flag of truce" [certificate not microfilmed]

31. July 17, 1780
From Lieutenant J. Maurer at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec
Reporting that a man named Turnberger had been confined in the Provost
"and I think him a very great Villain—He Says he did not do any thing but
what he was Commanded to do"

32. August 3, 1780
From Dubar from Sault de Resollet [?] to Le Maistre at Quebec
Reporting that "Cap'n N. Maclean & the Evidences [for a court martial] on
both Sides [were] to set off for Quebec to Morrow Morning" and that two
boats were required to transport them all; reporting the "extraordinary
State of the Reg't after these officers are gone, having only two officers
with one to command nine Companys in Six Different Cantonements"

33. August 28, 1780 From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that six men of the light infantry company of the 84th Regiment had deserted

From Maclean at Montreal to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Reporting the arrival of 48 more prisoners, these from Detroit, 26 of them women and children; making a strong plea for assistance in maintaining

34. September 14, 1780

women and children; making a strong plea for assistance in maintaining them; stating that "I am Exceedingly distressed for Want of a Place to put them in, our Prison here was so full that there is not Place for one man more; I was obliged to put them into the Jesuits Church for two nights, this day I intend to Encamp them on the Island of St. Helena with a Guard"

35. September 18, 1780 From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult Reporting on difficulties of obtaining boats and transporting troops

36. September 30, 1780 From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that prisoners are being sent to Quebec under guard

37. October 2, 1780
From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec
Reporting that the prisoners from Detroit are still camped on the island of
St. Helena; suggesting his opinion that since most are families including
women and children, attempts to desert are unlikely; seeking instructions
on what to do with them

38. October 23, 1780
From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec
Reporting on behalf of Maclean that 60 prisoners are now confined in
tents under guard on St. Helena island; expressing the opinion that "they
must be in a Shocking Situation in rainy or cold weather"; stating that "The
Brig'r begs to have an answer by the return of the Post"

39. October 30, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Lernoult at Ouebec

Repeating Maclean's pleas for instructions to resolve the prisoner situation at Montreal; reporting that now about 80 prisoners are confined on St. Helena island

40. November 5, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting on sending to Quebec, at Maclean's order, a prisoner named Gilles, a deserter from the 31st Regiment

41. November 6, 1780

From Maurer at Montreal to Lernoult

Reporting that, as instructed, a boat and men will leave La Chine the next day with stores for the Rangers

42. November 9, 1780

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Forwarding a request from Sir John Johnson that, as his troops (the Royal [Loyalist] Regiment of New York) were sickly at La Chine and lacked proper accommodations and clothing, he be authorized to take them into winter encampment; reporting that 63 rebels sent from Fort Stanwix to destroy Sir John's boats were captured by the British; expressing disagreement with Johnson's decision to enlist 29 of these men, believing them not to be trustworthy

43. November 23, 1780

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec

Requesting permission for Ensign Hamilton, who has been in command at the block house at Yamaska, to be relieved of that duty to return to his 53rd Regiment

44. December 11, 1780

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Repeating his request concerning Ensign Hamilton

45. December 28, 1780

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Reporting that three German prisoners, taken by Indians, were actually in the King's service, and that they had been assigned to Colonel Creutzberg's Corps, Prince Frederick's Regiment, and Lieutenant Colonel de Barner's Corps, respectively

St. Johns, letters from officers, 1779-1783: 56 documents with dates from January 31, 1779 through November 11, 1783 (printed page numbers 104 through 251)

46. January 31, 1779

From Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell, commander at St. Johns, to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general Enclosing a return of arms needed by the 53rd Regiment and Royal Emigrants; pointing out the lack of sufficient ammunition, and begging "to be informed from whence they are to be compleated"

47. June 24, 1779

From Powell to Le Maistre

Enclosing information perhaps of interest about the enemy [enclosure not microfilmed]

48. July 1, 1779

From Major Robert Hayes, 34th Regiment, at Chambly, to Le Maistre at Ouebec

Enclosing a monthly return of the number of rebel prisoners in this fort, the number totaling 25 [return not microfilmed]

49. August 1, 1779

From Hayes at Chambly to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a return of prisoners; having been "much importuned," enclosing also a petition from Leveright Puze, a surgeon and one of the prisoners [neither enclosure microfilmed]

50. October 1, 1779

From Hayes at Chambly to Le Maistre at Quebec

Enclosing a return of prisoners, including some taken on the Susquehanna River, who "appear to have been Inhabitants of that country, who had associated together for their common defense against the attacks of the Savages, and to have had no distinction of military zeal amongst them" [return not microfilmed]

51. January 1, 1780

From Captain Samuel Steel to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a return of prisoners, "agreeable to a Copy left by Major Hayes"; mentioning in a postscript "a draft [of money] of Captain Fraser's on me"

52. January 2, 1780

From Major Christopher Carleton at Isle aux Noix to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that the sending of loyalists to Point au Feu left the 29th Regiment with only 25 privates; conveying Captain Campbell's information about a man at St. Johns found to be a deserter "from the Reg'ts to the South"

53. January 22, 1780

From Carleton at St. Johns to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that an order from Powell to send a detachment of royalists for scouting duty at Point au Feu has not been fully complied with because of an insufficiency of ammunition; seeking instructions

54. May 24, 1780

From Carleton at St. Johns to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that the order reassigning two companies of the 29th Regiment from Isle aux Noix to St. Johns has been complied with, and that a general order concerning boats will be complied with

55. [no date]

List of five men by name with their regiments

56. May 31, 1780

From Carleton at St. Johns to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a list of men who, according to orders, were being sent to Chambly and from there to Sorel [list is document 55]; reporting on steps being taken to find an escaped rebel prisoner; reporting on escaped deserter William Fitzpatrick of the 29th Regiment; requesting court martials for him and another deserter named Finch

57. June 6, 1780

From Carleton at St. Johns to Le Maistre Concerning various movements of troops among forts

58. June 14, 1780

From Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger at St. Johns to M. G. [?] Complaining to the general about inhumane treatment, against prisoners who had deserted at Coteau du Lac, by a "drunken (or something worse)

Boy"; expressing the opinion that "this kind of conduct should have been taken up by the Regiment he belongs to, and he brought to punishment if guilty; or if misrepresented; some pains should have been taken to explain this extraordinary conduct. The whole army is concernd" 59. October 19, 1780

From Brigade Major Andrew Skene at St. Johns to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general at Quebec Seeking instructions, as Brigadier General Powell has gone to Niagara but has not ordered Skene to follow him

60. October 25, 1780

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult

Reporting his arrival with his troops at St. Johns and a lack of barracks room for his men; thanking the commander in chief for a private favor

61. November 18, 1780

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting that Major Nairne's troops are moving into winter quarters; reporting that three Hessian deserters captured at Fort Anne and Fort George were "claiming protection and indemnity under an article in the Capitulation for both Places"; complaining about a barracks master's resistance to resolve a lack of stoves in barracks without fireplaces

62. November 22, 1780

From St. Leger at St. Johns to [? probably Lernoult]

Reporting on the status of troops and preparations for winter at St. Johns and other posts

63. December 9, 1780

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec

Expressing fear that loyalist officers "have warped the meaning of a late letter permitting them to engage prisoners out of Goals, to serve their own purposes"; expressing a general lack of trust in the loyalist troops

January 9, 1781

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting readiness to assign men to help construct barracks if the barracks master will provide axes; reporting trying to sort out inaccuracies in returns from the loyalist corps

64. January 20, 1781

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting on finding "on my arrival at St. Johns the Rookery a nest of poissoners [fishermen?] and the perpetual cause of Drunkenness rioting and Thievery, not a day passes without a Court Martial and punishment, some of the best men in the 34th, led away by the stream, were becoming examples of the debauchery"; explaining actions taken against this "evil"

65. February 9, 1781

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult

Concerning a dispute in ranks among several lieutenants included in a memorial by Lieutenant Archibald McLean

66. February 11, 1781

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult

Concerning the dispute over ranks; enclosing a list of names [not microfilmed]; including a draft affidavit form proposed to obtain information

67. February 16, 1781

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting that a Hessian deserter is imprisoned and will be sent to

headquarters; stating that "L't Archibald McLeanes assertion concerning Brigadier General Maclean's erasement in a commission Signed by General Gage shall be laid before the Board and reported upon." [microfilmed twice]

68. February 27, 1781 From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning the dispute over ranks

69. February 28, 1781

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning a "Report against Ensign Prentice of Sir John Johnston's Corps and Mr. Connor, an Hospital mate"; supporting punishment of the perpetrators of an "unmerited and unprovoked assault...made on a set of unoffending Canadians, going peaceably to their morning Labour for the King"

70. May 26, 1781
From St. Leger at St. Johns to [? probably Lernoult]
Reporting the escape of two prisoners; reporting that "Recruits come in a pace"; waiting to receive a command concerning "Rogers eight men"

71. June 24, 1781
From St. Leger to the commanding officer at Sorel
Ordering the commander at Sorel to direct a "carefull non Commissiond officer of your garrison be sent with the Party of regular Soldiers lately escapd from the Rebels" to transport them to Quebec

72. June 25, 1781 Order by Captain Malcolm Fraser, 84th Regiment, commanding at Sorel Complying with the order in the previous document by assigning Sergeant John Might of the 84th Regiment to the duty [written on the reverse side of document 71]

73. June 24, 1781 From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult Informing Lernoult that the "Party of regular Soldiers" is on its way to Ouebec

74. June 29, 1781 From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Announcing the bearer as Mr. Smith, a volunteer, going to Quebec to settle some private affairs

75. July 15, 1781 From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting sending eight recruited seamen to Quebec, along with others

76. July 10, 1781
From Ensign [?], adjutant, 34th Regiment, at St. Johns, to Lernoult at Quebec
Reporting on St. Leger's behalf that a Captain White, a presumed loyalist, has been detained because of illness

77. August 3, 1781 From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting the arrival at St. Johns of a German of the 21st Regiment who lied about his military assignment, was confronted and imprisoned, and is being sent to Quebec

78. [no date] received September 22, 1781 From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult Enclosing [document 79] "the declaration of the Soldier whom Allen attempted to seduce"; hoping that Allen will be sent to Quebec

79. [no date]

Declaration of Phillip Stinkerline about the incident on September 13 with Henry Allen [who appears to have sought to "seduce" Stinkerline into deserting]

80. September 29, 1781

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Informing Lernoult that he was sending three soldiers to Quebec for reassignment; also "A point of Military casuistry I lay before you in officio—was the order from head Quarters,—that the Officers composing the Court martial at Sorel, should return to their respective Quarters till further orders, meant to screen them from Regimental, Garrison, or district duties?"; apparently apprehensive about the outcome of the outcome of the court martial; waxes eloquent about "real and intrinsick Soldiers; I mean such as do not enter the service to eat the Kings bread, but to deserve it..."

81. October 14, 1781

From Carleton of the 29th Regiment at St. Charles to Le Maistre Concerning an ordered move of troops to St. Johns

82. October 16, 1781

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Le Maistre

Enclosing Major Carleton's letter [document 81]; suggesting that Carleton is to blame for the situation of the 29th Regiment

83. [no date; received May 2, 1782]

From St. Leger at St. Johns to [? probably Lernoult]

Acknowledging receipt of orders to move troops "to which I shall pay due obedience"

84. May 4, 1782

From St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult at Montreal

Concerning a soldier in Roger's Corps, charged with highway robbery, who was being delivered to the "Common Goal of Montreal" for civil judicial proceedings

85. May 20, 1782

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Enclosing "the petition of the two men claimed by Sir John Johnson's Corps, in which is asserted the direct contrary of what is held out by that Corps" [petition not microfilmed]; concerning a man named Clark in the 34th Regiment who deserted; concerning a "barbarous and unprovoked murder committed on Thursday by one Fishner a german soldier in the 34th" on another German soldier in the same regiment

86. May 30, 1782

From St. Leger at St. Johns to [? probably Lernoult]

Concerning the unexpected arrival of "the Exchanged Prisoners"; having made arrangements "for their immediate conveyance in the manner proposd to a King's vessel"

87. February 13, 1783

From Major John Nairne of the 53rd Regiment, at Isle aux Noix, to Lernoult

Concerning Private Joseph Drake of the 20th Regiment, who was "taken prisoner by the Rebels in 1777", escaped, and after a long time, found his way to Dutchman's Point; seeking approval for Drake's wish to join the 53rd Regiment; also concerning Private Richard Paddack, who came in

with Drake, once of the 53rd Regiment, also captured in 1777, and now returning to his original regiment

88. July 20, 1783

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult

Acknowledging the new command structure in which Sorel, St. Johns, and Isle aux Noix have become independent commands, reporting directly to headquarters; concerning Mathew Potin, to whom Nairne issued a pass to St. Johns despite misgivings on the man's being "of Service in this Country"

89. July 26, 1783

From Major Alexander Campbell, commander at St. Johns, to Lernoult Concerning the large number of prisoners at St. Johns and also at Chambly

90. August 1, 1783 From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult Concerning several desertions; enclosing a monthly return [not microfilmed]

91. August 1, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Concerning several judicial matters including a court of inquiry

92. August 7, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Enclosing the proceedings of the recent court of inquiry

93. August 30, 1783
From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult
Enclosing a monthly return and a list of people of the colonies given passes
to St. Johns [neither microfilmed]; information on deserters

94. September 1, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Sending Alexander Grant, a deserter from the 8th Regiment, to Quebec via Sorel

95. September 9, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult "Wishing to commence my Duty of Mustering as soon as possible" and requesting permission to go to Quebec for that purpose

96. September 20, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Concerning establishing a general court martial

97. September 25, 1783 From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult Reporting having sent two deserters from the 31st Regiment to Quebec; reporting their story

98. October 11, 1783
From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Lernoult
Reporting that "American General" Moses Hazen delivered at Point au Fer
a letter to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief for Canada;
Mrs. Hazen and a servant were allowed to continue to Montreal; a
Canadian named Germain Dione, claiming to be a lieutenant in Hazen's
regiment, wanting to travel to see relatives and then return to New York
state, was detained pending orders on whether he should be allowed to
proceed

99. October 14, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Reporting having apprehended a deserter

100. November 11, 1783 From Campbell at St. Johns to Lernoult Concerning attached return of troop status [not microfilmed]

101. [no date]

"A List of Prisoners, Who are to be conducted to Quebec, By Serg't Bullers 34 Regt"; signed by Ensign M. Atkin, 34th Regiment

Montreal, letters from officers commanding, 1781-1783: 64 documents with dates from January 8, 1781 through October 8, 1783 (printed page numbers 252 through 411)

102. January 8, 1781

From Brigade Major William Dunbar at Montreal to [? perhaps Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general]
Reporting for Brigadier General Allan Maclean about procedures with German prisoners; "Enclosing a letter from [Lieutenant] Colonel de Barner relative to a German taken in arms at Fort George" [document 103]

103. [no date]
From de Barner to Maclean
Concerning a German prisoner; letter written in French [second page microfilmed twice]

104. February 5, 1781
From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult
Concerning a dispute about ranks in the 84th Regiment; concerning the availability of certain men for requested duties

105. February 8, 1781 From Dunbar at Montreal to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec Concerning various prisoners

106. March 25, 1781
From Captain William Honsell of the 29th Regiment, at Montreal, to Maclean
Concerning settling the accounts of "the late Captain [Daniel] McAlpin with the Corps"

107. March 25, 1781 From Maclean to Lernoult Enclosing a letter from Captain Honsell concerning the "the late Major MacAlpin's accounts" [document 106]

108. April 26, 1781

Affidavit by James Smith of Montreal stating that in summer 1777, "he saw the late Major McAlpine at Ballstown near Schenectady, who asked him if he would go and join General Burgoyne's Army", which he did on condition that he would not be enlisted as a soldier but work on the bateaux; when the Convention was signed after Burgoyne's defeat, "it being recommended to the Loyalists and Volonteers to go to Canada or return to their respective Homes, as it was apprehended that they would be treated with more severity than the rest of the Army", Smith returned home to Ballston; later, Smith was recruited for Lieutenant Fraser's

loyalist corps, again contingent on not having to enlist—for reasons of his health

109. April 26, 1781 From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning various personnel matters

110. April 27, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Enclosing James Smith's affidavit; expressing the opinion that this person was physically incapable of providing useful service; seeking advice on what to do with him

111. April 30, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning prisoners taken at St. Josephus; reporting that Mr. Gray, the sheriff [at Montreal] refused to take custody of them without a warrant, so they were "in Irons in the Custody of the Provost Martial"

112. May 2, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Concerning Captain Butler, who had just arrived in Montreal and was on his way to Quebec; Maclean, having passed on orders to him from the commander in chief to return to Niagara, warned him that if he decided nevertheless to go to Quebec, it was at his own risk; Maclean stating that "I thought my Duty to Acquaint you with the foregoing Particulars for His Excellencys information & to clear myself from any blame respecting Captain Butlers conduct"

113. May 3, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Further justifying his actions concerning Captain Butler's conduct

114. May 5, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Reporting at length on a garrison court martial concerning a "Drunken riot [that] happened here in the House of a soldiers wife of the 29th Regiment"; including the unlicensed selling of rum; including defendant Boone's assertion that the military court had no jurisdiction over the matter, which should have been taken to civil authorities; Maclean having continued to confine Boone pending a decision from the commander in chief about the jurisdiction issue

115. May 24, 1781

From Dunbar to Le Maistre

Seeking instructions on what to do with a German soldier in confinement; enclosing a letter by de Barner to Maclean in relation to a court martial just moved to Quebec

116. May 31, 1781

From Garrison Surgeon Charles Blake at Montreal to [?; to whom it may concern]

Declaring Captain Scott of the 53rd Regiment "unfit for any Duty for some time to come"

117. May 31, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec

Reporting Captain Scott's poor health, which will make it impossible for him to serve on the upcoming general court martial.

118. May 31, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Montreal

Concerning six sailors who sought to enlist in the army rather than continue on the commercial ship they were working on; concerning a general court martial to try nine men from Sir John Johnson's Corps, about which Maclean did not have prior knowledge and was unhappy about it; requesting again what to do with German prisoners confined by de Barner

119. June 1, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning rules for confining rebel prisoners

June 7, 1781

120. From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning whether prisoners now being tried in a general court martial could legally turn King's evidence

121. June 25, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting that fived rebel prisoners and two German prisoners had escaped; reporting that many prisoners are ill of scurvy; reporting steps being taken to move some of them to the general hospital at Three Rivers

122. August 6, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre Enclosing a memorial sent at Maclean's request [not microfilmed]

123. August 25, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Responding to a request to send all men who were miners to Quebec

124. August 30, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a letter from de Barner requesting that a detachment of his troops be relieved of special duty at Sorel, a matter that Maclean cannot handle and thus is passing on to the commander in chief [letter not microfilmed]

125. September 10, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning two men from Butler's Corps but not on the Corps' return, one of whom has been confined and the other told to "leave to support himself by his Industry"

126. September 13, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a letter from Assistant Engineer Tinling at Coteau du Lac concerning the use of prisoners for construction labor; Maclean requesting clarification on the policy

127. September 11, 1781

From Tingling at Coteau du Lac to Dunbar Requesting that 50 rebel prisoners be sent to him "to be employed both

with Security and advantage, provided a guard is ordered to the Island"

128. September 17, 1781

From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult

Requesting support for Captain Robertson at Oswegatchie's petition, enclosed, for leave to attend to family matters in Montreal [petition not microfilmed]

129. September 20, 1781

From Dunbar at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Enclosing a memorial and seeking its support on Maclean's behalf

[memorial not microfilmed]

130. September 20, 1781 From Major John Adolphus Harris of the 34th Regiment, at Sorel, to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting sending three rebel prisoners to Quebec

131. September 24, 1781
From Dunbar at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec
Enclosing a petition from Canadians who have been confined for some
time [document 132]; also concerning a loyal subject captain who might be
exchanged for a rebel captain

132. September 19, 1781 Petition from the Canadians mentioned above, seeking their liberty; written in French

133. October 4, 1781 From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult Concerning who will pay for an express Maclean sent to St. Johns regarding deserters from de Barner's Regiment

134. October 8, 1781
From Maclean at Montreal to Lernoult
Reporting that Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Carleton wished to be
awarded command of the troops at Montreal but that de Barner, his
subordinate, did not wish to serve under Carleton unless directed to by the
commander in chief; requesting that the commander in chief resolve this
dispute soon

135. January 31, 1782
From Major James Rogers at Montreal to Lernoult [spelled Lamott] at Quebec
Enclosing returns for arms and clothing [not microfilmed]

136. November 14, 1782
From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult
Reporting that he and Major Ross have arranged for Maclean to take the
grenadier company of the 84th Regiment with him, except for its
commander, Captain Laughlan Maclean (in the absence of Captain
Robertson), who was left wintering at Oswego; other matters

137. November 16, 1782 From Dunbar at Niagara to Lernoult Enclosing "a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Butler with the discharges of three man of his Corps"

138. November 17, 1782 From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning difficulties in sending Indians to meet Major Ross' "desire"; other matters

139. December 20, 1782
From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult
Enclosing monthly returns for December 1 "of the Different Posts for the
Upper Lakes" [not microfilmed]

140. January 7, 1783
From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult
Enclosing a "List of Recruits in three Kings Rangers exclusive of the three
Companies already in Orders" [document 141]; hoping that these will be
approved to be an additional company "under the Command of William

Marsh, with Rich'd Ferguson & Roger Stevens in succession"

141. [no date]

List of recruits mentioned in previous document

142. January 26, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning a "new Vacant Company in the Corps of Rangers, that never has been disposed of"; concerning two vacant second lieutenant positions in the Corps of Rangers; making recommendations to fill these positions

143. March 17, 1783

Report by doctors George Anthon (surgeon to the garrison) and William Hansley (surgeon to the Naval Department) concerning treatment at Detroit beginning on January 20, 1783 of two broad sword wounds to the head of Lieutenant George Herkimer; subsequent symptoms, treatments, and surgery, after which the patient expired on February 19; report of post-death examination of the man's brain revealing disease unrelated to the recent wounds; concluding that "we are of opinion that the wound given by the broad Sword was not the cause of Mr. Herkermer's death": document sworn before Alexander Macomb at Detroit

144. March 31, 1783

From Dunbar at Niagara to Lernoult

Enclosing, on Maclean's behalf, a document from Lieutenant Colonel Butler [probably the previous surgeons' report, document 143; see documents beginning at document 151 concerning the MacDougal-Herkimer "affair"]

145. [no date; received April 12, 1783] From Rogers to [?; probably Lernoult]

Repeating his recommendation for creation of a fourth company in the King's Rangers

146. April 19, 1783

From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult

Concerning an error in the February 1 monthly return

147. April 22, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning a rank and commission dispute respecting Captain Tenbroeck of the Rangers; involving Colonel Butler; surprise at Tenbroeck's resignation because of a charge from Butler, in which Maclean thinks Butler is "mistaken"; providing a long explanation of Maclean's understanding of the situation; enclosing a letter from Tenbroeck [not microfilmed

148. April 24, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning lost paperwork confirming Lieutenant Pawling in Butler's Corps to be promoted to Captain Lieutenant; providing a long explanation/justification of Maclean's actions and understanding of the situation

149. April 26, 1783

From Dunbar at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec

"Agreeable to an order of last Nov'r, I send you a Copy of all orders, & letters from head Quarters respecting this place and the upper posts, since the first arrival of a Brigadier to that command"

150. May 7, 1783

From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult Explaining in detail the discrepancy in the February 1 return; stating that the January and March returns are accurate

151. May 7, 1783

Copy of letter by Captain Malcolm Fraser, at Carleton Island, to Ensign James MacDougal of the 84th Regiment Granting MacDougal leave to go to Montreal to surrender to the sheriff's civil authority in light of charges against him concerning the death of Lieutenant Herkimer of Colonel Butler's Rangers; hoping for his acquittal

152. May 25, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Explaining the details of an ongoing dispute and scuffle between MacDougal and Herkimer; of Herkimer's death from exposure to cold; of allegations that Herkimer died from blows from MacDougal; enclosing Fraser's letter to MacDougal [document 151] and an extract from a letter from Fraser to Maclean [document 153]; complaining that Fraser had gone around him (Maclean), was ill informed, and took improper action: seeking to clarify the situation and take proper action himself

153. May 7, 1783

Extract from a letter from Fraser at Carleton Island to Maclean explaining his actions concerning MacDougal

154. May 31, 1783

Copy of a document sworn before Alexander Macomb at Detroit and signed by Joseph Williams, master ship builder providing evidence concerning the dispute between MacDougal and Herkimer

155. June 1, 1783

Copy of letter from John Macomb, Esq. at Detroit to Maclean Providing information, opinions, and advice about the MacDougal-Herkimer affair; expressing the opinion that MacDougal is a "simple poor man without experience"

156. June 1, 1783

From Rogers at St. Johns to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning the number of discharged and numbers in returns [document microfilmed twice]

157. June 1, 1783

Copy of letter from Major A. L. De Peyster at Detroit to Maclean Concerning the MacDougal-Herkimer affair; expressing surprise that MacDougal has been charged, without real evidence against him; providing information; expressing the opinion "How Mr. McDougall could be so simple as to go to Montreal upon the Recommendation of Persons unacquainted with the affair is to me astonishing; but at all Events I would advised the Relations of the Deceas'd not to 'prosecute him."

158. June 10, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult Concerning the MacDougal-Herkimer affair; enclosing copies of letter from Major De Peyster [document 157] and a letter from John Macomb [document 155]; supporting De Peyster's opinions and accepting that MacDougal was a "simple good natured poor young man"

159. June 16, 1783

From Captain George Herkimer at Coteau du Lac to Lernoult Enclosing a memorial; requesting assistance in getting it noticed and acted on [memorial not microfilmed]

160. July 20, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning Captain Grant's desire to return to England; knowing that, after the peace, other officers were being allowed to go home; therefore, approving Grant's request, despite an order from the commander in chief prohibiting any officers to "quit their posts"; hoping that he has not "given any offence to His Excellency" and promising in the future not to allow any officer to quit his post without approval of the commander in chief

161. August 7, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Concerning private business, following up on his previous memorial "requesting leave to sell my Lieu't Colonel Commission, on acc't of the Situation of my family", suggesting conditions that he not request "half pay or any Other thing, but that of retaining my rank in the Army"

162. August 21, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting that Lieutenant Walter Prentice attempted to draw his bayonet on Lieutenant Ford of the Navy; suggesting that Prentice be put before a general court martial and Ford retained to provide evidence

163. August 29, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Reporting arrest of Dr. James Conner, surgeon's mate, in relation to the Prentice crime described in his previous letter [document 162].

164. September 15, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Acknowledging lack of success in getting the commander in chief to approve his request to sell his commission; thankful for permission to petition his friends at home on his behalf but despairing that this approach will be successful; requesting permission to come to Quebec for three days to write his memorials and consult with friends

165. October 8, 1783

From Maclean at Niagara to Lernoult

Reporting that Prentice was seeking to delay the general court martial since his "Principal Evidences were in Canada"; expressing concern about delaying since some members of the court were to be discharged and others had other duties, and the "evidences" were three vessels needed for transport reasons before winter; reporting that the court sought to give Prentice ample opportunity to present his evidence but was wary of his abusing the privilege; Maclean has released the three vessels as an act of necessity, hoping his conduct is acceptable to the commander in chief; otherwise, trusting the court to do the best thing

Ordnance Department, letters and returns, 1776-1783: 49 documents, with dates from June 1, 1776 through October 29, 1783 (printed page numbers 412 through 537) [Begins on Reel 5; ends on Reel 6: Reel 6 begins with Document 184 on printed page number 462]

166. June 1, 1776

"Return of Ordnance Workmen to serve in Canada Transports under the Engineers"; transports listed include the Charming Nancy, Helen, Friendship, Devonshire, and Jane; signed at Quebec by Chief Engineer Harry Gordose [?]

167. September 22, 1777

From Lieutenant of Artillery Charles Sackville Colleton at Montreal to [?] Request to Brigadier General Allan Maclean to represent to the commander in chief the price of ordnance and stores mentioned in the attached return that would be "of the utmost use in the defence of the Garrison of Niagara" [return not microfilmed]

168. July 26, 1778

"Return of the Civil Establishment of His Majestys Ordnance in this Garrison"; signed by B. Rumsey, storekeeper, Office of Ordnance, Quebec

169. July 26, 1778

"Return of the Extra Artificers etc. in the Ordnance Employ in this Garrison"; signed at Quebec by Rumsey

170. July 27, 1778

"Return of Small Arms in the Garrison"; signed at Quebec by Rumsey

171. September 2, 1778

"Return of Military Artificers etc. and Labourers employed at Isle Aux Noix in the course of the Month of August 1778"; signed by Engineer Henry Rudyard

172. September 26, 1778

"bill of Laden on board the Liberty Snow"; a list of ordnance on board being shipped; signed at Sorel by Alexander Giggie, [?] of Artillery; addressed to Rumsey at Quebec

173. October 20, 1778

"Return and State of Ordnance Stores taken at Michilmackinac"; signed by Major A. L. De Peyster

174. December 5, 1778

A return of ordnance personnel: "The fixed Establishment of the Civil branch of the Office of Ordnance at Quebec; The Civil Branch attending the Field Train of Artillery in Canada"; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Forbes Maclean, commanding the Royal Artillery in Canada

175. January 1, 1779

A return of ordnance personnel: "The fixed Establishment of the Civil branch of the Office of Ordnance at Quebec; The Civil Branch attending the Field Train of Artillery in Canada"; signed by Forbes Maclean

176. October 1, 1779

A return of ordnance personnel: "The fixed Establishment of the Civil branch of the Office of Ordnance at Quebec; The Civil Branch attending the Field Train of Artillery in Canada"; signed by Forbes Maclean

177. April 1, 1780

A return of ordnance personnel: "The fixed Establishment of the Civil branch of the Office of Ordnance at Quebec; The Civil Branch attending the Field Train of Artillery in Canada"; signed by Forbes Maclean

178. October 1, 1780

From Hearz [?] Schane, commissary of artillery at Quebec to Forbes Maclean

Concerning specifications and amounts of ordnance described and calculated in detail; suggesting that "It would be a great advantage to the Service, that a regular proportion was fixed for the ammunition both of rifles and muskets and of Carbines—which is submitted with great deference, by"

179. October 1, 1780

A return of ordnance personnel: "The fixed Establishment of the Civil branch of the Office of Ordnance at Quebec; The Civil Branch attending the Field Train of Artillery in Canada"; signed by Forbes Maclean

180. April 1, 1781

A return of ordnance personnel: "The fixed Establishment of the Civil branch of the Office of Ordnance at Quebec; The Civil Branch attending the Field Train of Artillery in Canada"; signed at Sorel by Forbes Maclean

181. August 1, 1781

"Monthly Report of the State & present distribution of Powder, Small Arms, Ammunition, etc. at the Several Posts in Canada"; signed by Forbes Maclean

182. August 24, 1781

"Return of Officers and Men of the Royal Regiment of Artillery who have arrived in the fort"; signed at Quebec by Captain of Royal Artillery William Bothwick

183. August 27, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief in Canada

Reporting on a general court martial of soldiers of the 84th regiment holding correspondence with rebel prisoners; that the "Chief Prompter and Projector of the plot" was John Lydell or Lyttle; that Lydell had embarrassingly escaped; and that captured papers of the plot revealed little except that the rebel prisoners generally acknowledged "of being well treated, having plenty both of Provisions & cloathing, though they are Prisoners to the Cursed Torys."

[Reel 6 begins here. Note that the last frame on Reel 5 (the second page of document 183, numbered page 461) is also microfilmed as the first frame on Reel 6.]

184. October [?] 22, 1781 From Francois Lélangé at Cabinières [?] to [?]

Concerning goods and boats [written in French]

185. October [?] 22, 1781

From Captain Jean Le Claire and François Lélangé to [?] Concerning goods and boats [written in French]

186. November 26, 1781

From Bombardier George Muirhead, Royal Artillery, to Captain Houghton, Royal Artillery, at Quebec

Reporting on "our unhappy journey to Sorell" and storage of arms there

187. November 16, 1781

From Captain Edward Abbott at St. Johns to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

Seeking Lernoult's support for Abbott to be promoted, given the death in his regiment of Lieutenant Flyer [?]

188. January 1, 1782

A return of muskets (English and French) at various posts, written at Quebec; unsigned

189. March 19, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Lernoult

Reporting that although 1,064 stands of arms were reported by return to be available at Sorel on March 1, upon arrival there he found only about 200 stands, the remainder having been "demanded & issued...to several

Crops in these Environs"; planning to "order up 400 More Arms immediately from Quebec; but on mature reflection...I will rather wait for the Commander in Chiefs further directions on this Matter."

190. March 22, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel, "Orders to Serjeant Gow" Instructions for Gow to proceed with two men to escort the transport of eight Chech [?] of arms to Montreal

191. March 26, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Lernoult at Montreal Reporting compliance with an order to send 100 stands of arms to Montreal in addition to the 200 already sent

192. May 9, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Concerning the movement of arms from Carleton Island to a post at Oswego; offering detailed advice on numbers and kinds of guns needed there, in relation to arms and ammunition now available at several other posts (Oswegatchie, Carleton Island, Niagara, Detroit, Michilimackinac, Sorel, St. Johns, Isle aux Noix, and Montreal)

193. May 9, 1782

"List of Ordnance Stores ordered to be forwarded immediately to Carleton Island for the Service of that Post & Supply of Oswego etc. etc."; written at Quebec; signed by Forbes Maclean;

"List of Ordnance Stores to be sent immediately to Montreal to be there deposited for the Current Service of the Troops in Environs"

194. May 10, 1782

From Captain William Bothwick, Royal Artillery, at Sorel, to Lernoult Reporting that his men made 5,000 musket ball cartridges on this day, added to 16,404 already in storage, along with 70,000 musket balls "and I shall continue making up Cartridges until I receive orders to stop."

195. May 16, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Concerning redistributing artillery officers and privates to man both Carleton Island and Oswego; concerning providing arms for these soldiers

196. June 6, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Reporting on the making of musket cartridges at Quebec and Sorel; requesting to know the total number of cartridges desired

197. June 29, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Reporting that two field pieces plus "every thing pertaining to them" will be delivered the next day to the Regiment of Friedrich Wilhelm von Lossberg and those from Anhalt Zerbst.

198. July 15, 1782

From Captain J. Maurer at Montreal to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general at Quebec

Reporting having forwarded a letter from Le Maistre directed to Major Ross; reporting on guides "to Carry the 84th Light Company to Carleton Island"

199. July 29, 1782

"General Return of the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery Posted at Quebec July 29th under the Command of first Lieutenant Donning" 200. October 29, 1782

From Forbes Maclean to Lernoult

Reporting compliance this day with order to move eight field pieces to the garrison

201. November 5, 1782

From Corporal Robert Hadden, Royal Artillery, at Saint-François on the Île d'Orléans, to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting that ice on the river will make moving the militia to Quebec impossible for three months

202. December 8, 1782

From Forbes Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult

Responding to Lernoult's request for the name of a man "taken up as a Deserter"; enclosing the adjutant's report on the matter; requesting that it be returned to him

203. March 6, 1783

From Storekeeper K, Chandler, Office of Ordnance, at Quebec, to Lernoult Reporting that Corporal McKasky of Sir John Johnson's First Battalion is employed as an "armourer"; that armorers are badly needed and, and that "it would be a loss to the service to part with him"

204. May 26, 1783

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief for Canada

Requesting permission for Second Lieutenant Ramsey to go to England "by the first opportunity" to serve as battalion adjutant at home; reporting that First Lieutenant Christopher Myers, commanding at Detroit, has been placed on half pay; requesting orders for him to return to England

205. July 17, 1783

From Captain Barnes at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning attempting to forward a letter from Lernoult to Lieutenant David Smith, who had left for Niagara before receiving the letter

206. August 22, 1783

"Return of a Detachment Of the fourth Battalion Royal Artillery Embarked for Canada on board the Lucretia and Charming Polly Transports"; written at New York; signed by Major Edward Williams, Royal Artillery; directed to Haldimand

207. August 22, 1783

Return of a Detachment of the fourth Battalion Royal Artillery Embarked for Canada on board the Lucretia and Charming Polly Transports; written at New York, signed by Williams, directed to [Forbes] Maclean

208. October 3, 1783

"Debarkation Return of a Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery at Quebec"

209. October 23, 1783

"Embarkation Return of a Detachment of the Royal Reg't of Artillery including Women & Children to be Embarked On Board the Charming Polly Transport"; written at Quebec; notation "a Copy Sent to Lord Townshend"

210. October 27, 1783

From Forbes Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult at Quebec Acknowledging receipt of an order to provide a return of the artificiers in the Fourth Battalion at Sorel, which order will be complied with immediately

211. October 29, 1783

From Lieutenant John Wade, Royal Artillery, at Carleton Island, to Lernoult

Requesting consideration to fill a vacancy for assistant engineer at Niagara

212. [no date]

Ordnance returns including practice ammunition and ball cartridges for both British and German regiments plus "Magazines the under Mentioned British Reg'ts draw from magazines" and "Germans"

213. [no date]

Lists of ordnance "For Service" and "Practice"

214. [no date]

"Embarkation Return of a detachment of the Royal Artillery under the Command of Lieut't Gahan" signed by Lieutenant Adjutant C. J. Semoine [?]

Quartermaster General's Department, returns of bateaux, camp equipage, etc., 1778-1783: 27 documents, with dates from July 20, 1778 through November 20, 1783 (printed page numbers 538 through 601)

215. July 20, 1778

From Lieutenant John Barnes, assistant quartermaster general, at Montreal, to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general Enclosing "the Acc't of Disbursments for the Loyalists" [document 216]

216. July 20, 1778

A list of disbursements for the Royalists; written at Montreal; signed by Barnes

217. September 21, 1778

From Barnes at Montreal to Le Maistre at Sorel Reporting having sent guns and ammunition to Sorel

218. June 7, 1780

From Barnes at Sorel to Le Maistre

Reporting having disbursed, as ordered, to "James Clark of the 33rd Reg't and the four other men come in from the Army under Convention two Dollars each" plus a blanket each out of the store

219. July 12, 1780

From Barnes at Montreal to N. [?] Day Esquire Concerning the movements of money under guard to pay troops

220. October 5, 1780

From Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Carleton, quarter master general, to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general "herewith enclosed a copy of the Distribution of Quarters for the Approaching Winter" [not microfilmed]

221. November 4, 1780

From Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger at St. Johns to Lernoult Concerning the potential "repartition of the troops, and fugitives left in

Canada after the Convention in the time of General Carleton"; seeking clarity on who will be assigned to which regiment

222. August 6, 1781

"Return of Batteaux in Possession of His Majesty's 53rd Regiment of Foot at Yamaska, St. Francois and Sorel"; signed by Captain H. Dunlop, commander of the 53rd

223. August 20, 1781

List of batteaux in possession of the brigade of Brigadier General Ernst von [de] Speth

224. October 18, 1781

From Carleton at Montreal to Le Maistre

Reporting having received the commander in chief's settlement of the distribution of winter quarters; will communicate to Major General Friedrich von Riedesel that he is ordered to "regulate the quarters of the Sorel District"

225. October 26, 1781

"Distributions of Winter Quarters for the Troops in the District of Quebec, By Orders of His Excellency the Commander in Chief"; written at headquarters at Quebec; signed by Captain Thomas Gamble, assistant quarter master general

226. November 15, 1781

From Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, to Carleton Order for a detachment of 100 men from Sir John Johnson's Second Battalion to proceed without delay to Carleton Island 227. November 19, 1781

From Carleton at Montreal to Le Maistre

Acknowledging receipt of order to send 100 men to Carleton Island, "which shall be completed with without loss of time."

228. November 19, 1781

From Carleton at Montreal to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief in Canada

Transmitting a memorial from Ensign Saunders of the 29th Regiment concerning his grievance about a promotion

229. December 4, 1781

"Return of Snow Shoes Remaining in the Quarter Master Generals Stores at Quebec"; written at headquarters at Quebec; signed by Gamble

230. December 5, 1781

"Return of Snow Shoes Remaining in the Quarter Master Generals Stores at Sorel, Montreal, and St. Johns"; written at headquarters at Quebec; signed by Gamble

231. February 13, 1782

"General Return of the Quarter Master Generals Department in Canada"; written at headquarters at Quebec; signed by B. Duport, assistant quarter master general

232. July 20, 1782

From Gamble to Le Maistre

Concerning the availability of a vessel to transport baggage of Colonel Canightberg's [?] regiment and of bateaux for the regiment to cross the river at Point Levi

233. May 23, 1783

From Colonel Henry Hope, acting quarter master general, at Quebec, to Lernoult

Enclosing the crimes "on which it is intended to prosecute the two Serjeants before the General Court Martial"; [crimes are included in the text of the letter]

234. June 24, 1783

"General Return of the Quarter Master Generals Department in Canada"; written at headquarters at Quebec; signed by Hope [microfilmed twice]

235. July 14, 1783

From [?; probably Lernoult or Le Maistre], at headquarters at Quebec, to Barnes

Instructing Barnes to deliver enclosed letters to the Office of Militia of the Parish of Contre Coeur, seeking to find Lieutenant David Smith, who is supposed to be attending a court martial now under way at Niagara

236. July 28, 1783

From Hope to Lernoult

Arranging for ships to be at Point Levi to receive detachments of the Regiment from Anhalt Zerbst

237. August 3, 1783

"Report of the Transports": signed by Majors Thomas Faunce and Ritters

238. September 10, 1783

From Hope to Lernoult at Quebec

Enclosing two memorials from the 44th Regiment [memorials not microfilmed]

239. October 23, 1783

From [?; probably Lernoult] to Hope and to Major Campbell, officer commanding at Isle aux Noix

Conveying orders "for all public works to cease and the Working Parties to join their Respective Corps without delay" [appears to be a draft with editing]

240. November 20, 1783

"Return of the Troops and Loyalists Including Women and Children to Embark on Board the Three Sisters Transport for England"; written at Quebec; includes those of the Royal Artillery, 31st, 44th, and 53rd Regiments, and Loyalists

241. [no date]

"Reglements pour le Payment des habitants employez en Corvée dans le transport des Vivres et Munitions de Sorel" [document written in French]

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Swain Report Special: War Office 28, Regimental HQ Papers, Installment 7

In this latest installment of his continuing series, David Swain completes his entries covering Reel 6 of these War Office 28 microfilm records from the British National Archives. This section includes correspondence from several vital posts along the British defensive line in southern Canada, as well as documents from the German regiments who comprised a significant portion of that Colony's garrison, but remain overlooked in the wake of the British defeat at Saratoga. Once again, David is improving our ability to make the Library's collections easier for patrons to use and opening up largely untapped sources for future historical scholarship.

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"Letterbooks" among these documents are not actually bound books but are folders of separate-page letters kept at the time by regiments. The microfilm copies of these letters are mostly in chronological order, with a few exceptions. Apparently at a later time, archivists added consecutive printed numbers to the letter pages within each part. These printed numbers are noted in this list for each letterbook or document set.

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1. May 1, 1782

From Captain William Ancrum at Carleton Island to [?] Enclosing "a State of the Garrison at Carleton Island after the departure of Major Ross, and the Troops taken from it, under his Command"; expressing the opinion that the remaining men are not worth much for duty

[Note: This document appears misplaced from other Carleton Island documents. See documents 112, 119-127, and 130-132.]

- 2. [no date; probably 1776]
- "List of Lieut Colonels of the British Reg'ts Serving in Canada" with the dates of their commissions
- 3. [no date]
- "Return of the Quantity of Provision Remaining on Board the Several Transports, after being Supplied with 28 Days Provisions at full Allowance, from 31st May to 27th June 1776, both days inclusive" [microfilmed twice]
- 4. [no date]
- "A Near Calculation of those Species of Provisions above mentioned, and how many days they will Victual 100 Men, Commencing the 28th June 1776" [microfilmed twice]
- 5. June 17, 1776
- "Report of the British Troops as they marched from Verchères"; signed by Major General William Philips; directed to General Guy Carleton
- 6. June 12, 1776

"Return of part of four Companies of the Royal Regiment of Artillery on board Four Ordnance Transports Trois Rivieres"; signed by Major Griffith Williams, Office of Ordnance

7. June 10, 1776

"Return of the State of His Majestys 31st Regim't of foot Commanded by Lt. Gen'l Sr. Adolp's Oughton R. B. Specifying those on Board & a Shore"; written at Trois Rivières; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Alexander MacKenzie

8. June 10, 1776

"Return of the 53rd Reg't of Foot which reimbark'd at Trois Rivieres"; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Henry Watson Powell

9. June 10, 1776

"Return of His Majestys 34th Reg't of Foot Embarked at Trois Rivières, and those who Cannot Embark for want of Ships"; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger

10. June 10, 1776

"Return of the State of His Majestys 31st Regim't of foot Commanded by Lieut. Gen'l Sr. [James] Adolphus Oughton R. B."; written at Trois Rivières; signed by MacKenzie

11. June 10, 1776

"Return of the 24th Regim't on board the Transports at Trois Riviere"; signed by Major Robert Grant

12. June 10, 1776

"Return of Seven Companies of His Majestys 20th Regim't of Foot not Reimbark'd the Transports not being Provid at Trois Rivers"; "Return of three Companies of his Majestys 20th Reg't of Foot that reimbark'd on board of Transports at Trois Riviers"; signed by Lieutenant Colonel John Lind

13. June 10, 1776

"Return of His Majesty's 9th Regiment of Foot Commanded by thle Right Hon'ble Maj'r Gen'l Edw'd Lord Vic't Ligoneer [Ligonier]"; written at Trois Rivières; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Jonathan Hills

14. June 6, 1776

"Return of the Staff" including staff for the General and Commander in Chief, Lieutenant General Burgoyne, Major General Philips, and Major General Riedesel

15. June 1, 1776

"List of the Officers in Canada with the Dates of their Commissions in the Regiment and in the Army"; for the 9th Regiment of Foot; written at "Quebeck Harbour on Board the Lively Transport"; signed by Hills

16. June 1, 1776

"Return of the Brigade of Engineers to serve in Canada"; written at Quebec; signed by Chief Engineer Harry Gordon

17. June 1, 1776

"Return of the officers of His Majestys 20th Regiment of Foot Now Present in Canada, with the Dates of their Commissions"; signed by Lind

18. May [?], 1776

"Return of the Detachm't on Board the Hellen Transport"; signed by Captain of Artillery Ellis Walker 19. May 31, 1776

"Return of Musket Cartridges on Board the Helen Ordnance Transport"; signed by Walker

20. March 14, 1776

Lengthy (nine mss. pages) and detailed lists of ordnance and stores "Laden on Board the Charming Nancy Transport, John Wilkinson Contractor & John Bell Master...to be delivered to the Order of Alexander Shaw Esq'r Commissary and Paymaster, on an Expedition to Canada North America"; separate listing of "Laboratory Stores"; the whole signed by Williams

21. May 30, 1776

"Return of the Detachment of Major Griffith Williams' Company of the 1st Battalion of the Royal Regiment of Artillery on Board the Charming Nancy"; signed by Williams

22. May 29, 1776

From Lieutenant Colonel Simon Fraser, 24th Regiment, at Pointeau-Tremble, to Lieutenant Colonel Allan Maclean, then adjutant general at

Concerning the disembarkation, transport, and quarters for his arriving regiment

23. May 15, 1776

"Return of the Names, and Dates of Commissions of the Officers of the 47th Regiment"; written at Quebec; not signed

24. May 18, 1776

"Return of the Detachment of the First Battalion of the R'l R't of Artillery Disembarked from the L'd Howe"; signed by Second Lieutenant William P. Smithy

25. March 31, 1776

"Return of the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery Ordered for Foreign Service"; written at Spithead; signed by Williams

26. March 31, 1776

"Return of Officers, Serjiants, Corporals, Drummers, Fifers, Private Men, Women, and Children of His Majesty's 21st Regiment of Foot /or Royal North British Fusiliers/ Embarked at Plymouth; signed by Lieutenant Colonel James Hamilton"

Sorel, letters, 1778-1781: 25 documents with dates from November 17, 1778 through May 31, 1781, (printed page numbers 65 through 123)

[Note: Some documents in this section are microfilmed out of chronological order.]

27. Heading page written by headquarters: "Letters & papers Relating to Lt. Col. St. Leger and Capt Monro of Sir John Johnson's Corps". [See documents 27 through 36 and 38.]

28. May 6, 1779

From Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger, commanding the garrison at Sorel, to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general Reporting having had to arrest Captain John Munro, "he being a young and very unexperienced Soldier, and Consequently unknowing in the Respect due to Command"; "enclosing Captain Monro's crime" [enclosures probably included documents 28 through 32]

29. April 30, 1779

Copy of letter from St. Leger to Munro

Expressing pain at what he has had to do "under the necessity to proceed the Lengths my Duty has and will Oblige me to go"; dispensing with the usual rigor of arrest by granting Monro, as a gentleman, "the Liberty of your Line Barracks and the Mess House within them, and your Sword"

30. April 28, 1779

Copy of letter from Munro at Sorel to St. Leger

Expressing personal disagreement with a statement Munro ascribes to St. Leger, that he knew that "there was great many Good Men among the Royalists and better than some of our Officers, and better than some of our Captains, and that I knew it."; expressing the opinion that such a statement "demands an explanation"

31. April 30, 1779

Copy of letter from Munro at Sorel to St. Leger

Thanking St. Leger for "the indulgence granted" and expressing sorrow that his original letter, "which I though was founded on the most Justifiable Motives, should give Offence, when ever I hear any thing tending to injure the reputation of the Corps or any Individual of it, in which I have the Honour to serve, I think it my Indispensible Duty to take notice of it."

32. April 30, 1779

Copy of letter from St. Leger to [Munro]

"The Style and tendency of your Letter this Day...Makes it necessary for me to cancel those indulgences and restrict you to the Accustom'd usages of Arrests."

33. April 30, 1779

Copy of St. Leger's arrest order containing his summary of Munro's crimes

34. May 1, 1779

From John Valentine, adjutant, at Sorel, to Munro

"Verbal orders from Lieu't Col'l St. Leger to Adj't Valentine Your are to acquaint Capt Munro, that I do not Deprive him of any Liberty as a Man. That he may Walk the line of Barracks, and to the Mess house, But deprive him of Wearing a Sword as an Officer"

35. [no date]

Copy of statement by Captain T. Gumersall directed to St. Leger Statement "on the Reception he met with when he delivered Captain Jo'n Munros Letter to Lieut Col'l St. Leger—also what the Col'l said to him"; stating that Munro had shared his letter with "several Gentlemen of the Regiment" in the barracks and has asked their concurrence with its contents and had asked him to deliver it; stating that when St. Leger read the letter, "he expressed himself in this Manner the Man is Mad, he has certainly either lost his ears or understanding or both, if he wants satisfaction he must Go to the Commander in Chief"; stating that "I knew Nothing of the Matter but a very short time however what Little I knew then & what I have learnt since from Cap't Munro, has influenc'd me to concur in Sentiments with him"

36. April 30, 1779 and May 1, 1779

Copy of statements by Captain R. Duncan at Sorel

Statement: stating that St. Leger had asked him whether he knew of Munro's letter, to which he responded positively; St. Leger stated to him that "Cap't Munro mistook his meaning, that the person he meant was One whome he himself as well as others had pointed out to him as a bad Man Viz Cap't Adams, he also said that he did not mean to reflect on the Corps

of Royal Yorkers, and beged of me to signify the same to the Officers"; stating that St. Leger had misconstrued Duncan's statement that Captain Munro "had taken that upon himself", which led Duncan subsequently to write a letter to St. Leger, viz

Letter by Duncan to St. Leger: clarifying that Munro did not represent his opinion alone in the letter; that "I did at the time he told me, and do now concurr in Sentiments with him"; stating further that "Cap'ts McDonell & Anderson begs me to acquaint you that they also concurr in Sentiments with Cap't Munro"

37. [no date]

Lengthy, detailed statement by Munro telling his version of the situation in which St. Leger allegedly made the statement about royalists being better than regular officers; commenting on what Munro believes are St. Leger's misinterpretations in his letters to Munro

38. November 17, 1778

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre

Since "The good Christians of this placed have repeatedly petitioned me for divine service", requesting assistance in getting Monsieur Brien to take the necessary steps to provide such

39. May 27, 1779

From St. Leger to "your Excellency", General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief in Canada

Stating that Munro has acknowledged his "mistaken conduct"; proposing to withdraw his arrest and, given his inexperience, to overlook his "shady adherence to the King's Cause"

40. September 9, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning resolution of the "embarrassment I [St. Leger] was under in relation to the detachment of the New York Corps"

41. September 30, 1779

From St. Leger to Le Maistre at Quebec

Concerning "The man returned on furlong, [who] is a poor consumptive deserving treature...and reported unfit for service"

42. October 11, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning the need for clothing for troops at Sorel

43. November 22, 1779

From Major A. Dundas of the 34th Regiment, at Sorel, to Le Maistre at Ouebec

Reporting on the movement of troops in and out of Sorel, including some from the 34th sent to Trois Rivières and arrival of others from Sir John Johnson's and Captain McAlpin's Corps

44. May 18, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre

Concerning reception of rebel prisoners from a brig; concerning a detachment of artillery that left Sorel but without the post commander (St. Leger) being informed

45. May 31, 1781

From Lieutenant Colonel Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Le Maistre Reporting on five rebel prisoners at Trois Rivières, one of whom had escaped; on eight other prisoners "belonging to Major Rogers's Corps" to be sent to Quebec; on several deserters from the 84th, one of whom was "an old offender who had been guilty twice before"; on three Newfoundland recruits of the 84th who had deserted and had not yet been apprehended

46. June 14, 1780

From St. Leger to Le Maistre

Reporting a decision to move prisoners from the brigs to Amherst so as to avoid "anarchy and confusion that might arise among People without any Person in authority to restrain them"

47. August 6, 1780

From St. Leger to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general at Ouebec

Reporting that he is sending to Quebec a seaman who deserted 18 months ago from the Frigate Thames and was captured at Yamaska

48. August 27, 1780

From St. Leger to [?; probably Lernoult]

Reporting on an attempted escape by prisoners that was thwarted

49. September 21, 1780

From Leger to Lernoult

Enclosing the court of inquiry report on the conduct at Trois Rivières of a German private named Muller [not microfilmed]

50. September 7, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec

Concerning settlement of the matter of an adjutant commission

51. September 17, 1780

From St. Leger to Lernoult

Concerning the resignation of Captain Forbes; concerning a rebel prisoner

Germans, letters from field officers, 1781: 18 documents with dates from December 29. 1780 through December 20, 1781 (printed page numbers 124 through 176)

52. January 1, 1781

From Captain C. L. Schoele [?] to Captain Francis de Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec

Enclosing reports for November and December [not microfilmed] [letter written in French]

53. January 1, 1781

"Extract of a letter [dated December 29, 1780] from Mons'r [Colonel Joseph-Marie Godefroy] Tannancour to H. E. G. Haldimand enclosed in Brig'r [General Friederick] Rauschenplat's letter of 1st January 1781" Concerning a local inhabitant who mistreated a lieutenant named Gresse and other matters [written in French]

54. December [?] 29, 1780

From Tonnancour at Trois Rivières to [?]

"Extract enclosed to B. G. Rochenplat Jan'y 1st 1781"; more concerning the Lieutenant Gresse incident and other matters [written in French]

55. January 6, 1781

Copy of letter from Tonnancour at Trois Rivières to Rauschenplatz at

Concerning the Lieutenant Gresse incident [written in French]

56. January 6, 1781

Copy of letter from Rauschenplatz at Bécancour to Tonnancour at Trois Rivières

Concerning "quelque chose de démeties entre des Inhabitant et des Soldats de ce Regiment à la Baye St. Antoine" and other matters [written in French]

57. [no date]

Copy of response from Tonnancour to Rauschenplatz "en regard de la plainte, données de bouche, au Lieut't Moching et Auditeur Imme" [written in French]

58. January 10, 1781

"Déposition de l'Inhabitant de la Baye de St. Antoine Joseph Bellisle" [written in French]

59. January 12, 1781

From Rauschenplatz at Bécancour to [?]

Concerning "la difficulté que le Lieut't de Kressen a eu avec un Habitant de St. Antoine" and other matters [written in French]

60. January 30, 1781

From Joseph [?] at Machiche [?] to Tonnancour at Trois Rivières Concerning a deposition about "emigrants" coming to the area of Machiche [?] [written in French]

61. February 8, 1781

From Rauschenplatz to "Son Excellence"

Concerning "Premier Lieutenant de Kressen" [written in French]

62. February 9, 1781

From Tonnancour at Trois Rivières to [?]

Concerning complaints against "des soldats émigrant" [written in French

63. May 9, 1781

From Lieutenant Colonel C. de Creuzbourg at St. Thomas to [?] Advising against taking troops on intelligence journeys because the Indians "would take away all the furs and [bury?] them in the woods"

64. June 24, 1781

From Brigadier General Ernst Ludwig Wilhelm De Speth at Montreal to Brigadier General Allan Maclean

Concerning a prisoner of Sir John Johnson's Regiment calling himself Wagener but actually named Steckhan and belonging to Speth's Regiment of Brunswick troops; requesting that his court martial be delayed until the commander in chief can give appropriate orders; note at bottom of letter by Major William Dunbar "Brig'r Maclean has ordered Horn [?] to be Deliver'd up to Brig'r Speth"

65. August 30, 1781

From Lieutenant Colonel de Barner at Montreal to [?]

Concerning a number of matters of a number of detachments [written in French]

66. August 30, 1781

From Creuzbourg at "camp" to [?]

Concerning what sort of "rappart [report] is to be made to Major Gen. Clarke"

67. November 22, 1781

From Major General Friedrich von Riedesel at Sorel to Le Maistre Stating he will send returns of his troops as soon as they have arrived in their winter quarters "in the several parishes"

68. December 6, 1781

From Brigade Major Frederick de Papet at Montreal to [?] Enclosing "Listes du District du Brig'r Gen'l de Speth"; expecting to send "La Liste de ce Regiment À la Liste Générale de tous les Trouppes Anglois, avec la poste prochaine" [lists not microfilmed]

69. December 20, 1781

From Major d'Allenbucaum [?] of the Regiment of Zollberg at St. Thomas to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general Enclosing a "List of the Officers of the Regiment of Zollberg, with the dates of their Commissions" [list not microfilmed]

Trois Rivières, letters from officers commanding, 1779-1782: 7 documents with dates from December 14, 1779 through January 25, 1781 (printed page numbers 177 through 201)

70. December 14, 1779

From Ensign H. Arden of the 34th Regiment, commander at Trois Rivières, to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec

Reporting having taken custody of three rebels who had escaped from the Quebec jail and were apprehended at Mr. Duma's Forge; seeking orders on where to send them

71. January 21, 1780

From Arden at Trois Rivières to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting having taken up a suspicious looking fellow, traveling without a passport from Quebec to Montreal; having put him in the guard house, requesting orders for what to do with him

72. December 18, 1779

From Arden at Trois Rivières to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting having sent off several prisoners under escort

73. April 14, 1780

From Arden at Trois Rivières to Le Maistre at Quebec Recommending the sergeant of his detachment to be made provost at Trois Rivières

74. May 26, 1780

From Arden at Trois Rivières to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting having confined a man who deserted from the sloop Mary, Captain Cornhill; seeking orders about what to do with the man

75. May 30, 1780

From Lieutenant William Osborne [?] Hamilton of the 34th Regiment, at Trois Rivières to Le Maistre

Reporting having in custody three men who had been rebel prisoners; requesting orders about what to do with them

76. January 25, 1781

From Ensign Magrath, 34th Regiment, at Trois Rivières, to [?; Probably Le Maistre]

Reporting having taken custody of a man thought to be a spy who "gives but a very indifferent account of himself"

Sorel, letters from the officers commanding, 1779-17883: 35 documents with dates from June 5, 1779 through November 3, 1783 (printed page numbers 202 through 292)

77. June 5, 1779

From Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger at Sorel to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec Sending prisoners, "agreeable to Brigadier Powell's orders"; providing information about some of them

78. June 17, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting having detained "a supposed delinquent named Bayley...brought to the Main Guard without any Crime"; having learned that he soon intended to marry his landlord's daughter; seeking guidance on how to handle him

79. June 21st, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre

Reporting on new information obtained about the man Bayley, whose real name is Augustus Poor, and who had deserted from the Rebel army near Saratoga, had joined Captain Leake's company, had deserted from there, and had been living with an Acadian; a search of his home had yielded few papers; suspects that he has "abilities enough to conceive, and villainy enough to execute the worst of and blackest mischief"; but doubting that treason charges can be brought against him; suggesting that he might be tried as a deserter and then "punishe'd, and packd out of the Province in the first Man of War that sails from Quebeck."

80. July 1, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre

Reporting per orders received, having put Augustus Poor in irons and having had his Acadian landlord interrogated; reporting the results of the interrogation; reporting about other prisoners; enclosing orders from Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell about four rebel prisoners

81. [no date]

From St. Leger to Le Maistre with the 8th or King's Regiment Apologizing for having sent the wrong envelope ("what it was I know not") instead of the envelope containing the interrogation of the Acadian

82. [no date]

St. Leger's notification to "all Commanding Officers of Posts" of Powell's order that four rebel prisoners (William Cox, Michael Carrol, James Britten, and George Jones) are to be sent to Quebec."

83. July 1, 1779

From Powell at St. Johns to St. Leger

Informing St. Leger that he is sending four rebel prisoners from Chambly to Sorel, suggesting that the men are not useful and that St. Leger should send them on to Quebec.

84. July 12, 1779 From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre Concerning rebel prisoners

85. July 25, 1779 From St. Leger to Le Maistre Pointing out that little guidance is available in the standard training manuals of the British army that apply to fighting in the woods of Canada; suggesting that the 34th Regiment has learned a lot in practice; desiring more opportunities to learn; reporting that Ensign Arden, "of whom I have the highest opinion", has proposed to learn "every part of an American Officers duty" and "begs that he may be allowd to make himself master" of it all; suggesting Lieutenant Fraser of St. Hyacinthe as a capable instructor

86. August 5, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre

Reporting that the 34th light company marched this day for Montreal; Lieutenant Roche's party returned full of provisions from Lac St. Pierre; related information

87. August 10, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec

A letter from His Excellency to Captain John Adolphus Harris missed him at Sorel but was "immediately dispatchd after him"

88. [no date]

From St. Leger to Le Maistre

"Corps to go down to give him the attention he wishes to declare himself on account of Regimental business." [This may be the incomplete last-page contents of a longer letter, the rest of which is lost or at least not microfilmed.]

89. August 12, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec

Reporting discovery by Captain Munro of a plot by a former deserter from the rebel army to desert with several others, now from the British army at Sorel; reporting related matters

90. September 6, 1779

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre

Considering future movements of troops; requesting needed supplies in anticipation of such movements

91. April 23, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

Reporting having executed received orders; waiting for spring to arrive

92. June 7, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec

Acknowledging starting to make "the necessary preparations...to lodge the Prisoners on shore" rather in boats as some "conventioners" have been

93. October 1 [?], 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Lernoult at AQuebec

By order of Brigadier General Allan Maclean, sending "one deserter from Lake's Corps to gether with a disaffectionate subject belonging to Butler by the Schooner Paris"

94. October 5, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Lernoult

Reporting various news of events and actions taken at Sorel, including wood cutting

95. October 19, 1780

From St. Leger at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec

Commenting positively about a redistribution of troops, through which the 34th is being reassigned to St. Johns

96. April 1, 1781

From Lieutenant Colonel Forbes Maclean, commander at Sorel, to Lernoult

Enclosing the monthly return for the detachment of royal artillery, as well as the lists "of the Office of Ordnance at Quebec and of the Civil Department attending the Field Train in Canada Usually given in on this day."

97. April 19, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec Expressing positive sentiments on viewing the King's Regiment and particularly recommending "Mr Allan Maclean an Exceeding well behaved Young Man of Genteel Address and appearance and of good Education"

98. April 30, 1781

From Lieutenant William Fraser, commander of the loyalist blockhouse at Yamaska to Forbes Maclean at Sorel

Reporting on behalf of himself and his brother Thomas Fraser that four men, three of them rebel prisoners, who were working on the new fort, had deserted and had not been apprehended

99. May 2, 1781

From William Fraser at Yamaska to Forbes Maclean Reporting that the four deserters had been captured and were being returned to Yamaska

100. May 3, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Lernoult
Enclosing monthly returns for the "Three Regiments in this District" [not microfilmed]; enclosing two letters from Yamaska concerning rebel prisoners [documents 98 and 99]

101. May 7, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Lernoult

Concerning the men who had escaped at the Yamaska blockhouse and Fraser's desire to have other reliable labor, beyond rebel prisoners, to work on the blockhouse

102. May 21, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Le Maistre

Having received orders to send the three rebel prisoners to Quebec, Fraser requested that they be permitted to stay at the blockhouse, since "they are remarkable Good Workmen, of professions which were greatly wanted & Could not be easily procured there" and precautions had been taken to maintain security by "having them so Constantly Watched" that they could not escape

103. June 33, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Le Maistre

Enclosing monthly returns for the 29th and 84th Regiments [not microfilmed]. The return for the 53rd was being forwarded by another "not so regular a Channel"

104. June 14, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning several personnel matters; reporting that five rebel prisoners had escaped from Trois Rivières but had been recaptured

105. August 20, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning "desertion of the four Hesse-Hanau Chasseurs & the Soldier of the 44th Regiment"; concerning a general court martial Maclean had convened 106. August 29, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Lernoult

Reporting not yet having lists of miners in the three regiments of the district but hoping to have them soon; requesting consideration of relieving the detachment in Major John Adolphus Harris' 84th Regiment from its long duty at the hospital at Trois Rivières

107. August 30, 1781

From Forbes Maclean at Sorel to Lernoult at Quebec Enclosing a return of all miners in the three regiments under his command; intending to send all seven of them to Quebec as soon as one of them returns from Montreal [return not microfilmed]

108. March 10, 1783

From Forbes Maclean to Lernoult

Reporting compliance with an order to send Thomas Todd of Major Walker's company to Quebec

109. October 2, 1783

From Forbes Maclean to Lernoult

Reporting compliance with an order to move artillery at Chambly, St. Johns, and Isle aux Noix to Sorel; reporting that two deserters from the artillery were sent this day to Quebec; enclosing a return of the four companies of the 2nd Battalion newly arrived at Sorel [return not microfilmed]

110. November 3, 1783

From Brigade Major J. Lemoine, of the Royal Artillery, at Sorel, to Lernoult

Enclosing "the crime of Four seamen belonging to the Rapid Hoy, for Breaking open, and taking out of Several Boxes belonging to the Loyalists, which they were bringing from Quebec to this Post, also a list of the Articles Stolen" [crimes document 111; list of articles stolen not microfilmed]

111. November 2, 1783

From Peter Van Alstine [?] at Sorel to [?]

Statement naming the four seamen and their crime

Carleton Island, Cataraqui, Oswego, letters from officers commanding, 1779-1783: 52 documents with dates from November 29, 1779 through September 1, 1783 (printed page numbers 293 through 416)

Note: This section contains documents from several outlying posts during overlapping time periods. Documents thus are not organized chronologically throughout the section. Rather, they are organized more or less geographically, and more or less chronologically within the documents for each post, as follows:

- * Carleton Island: documents 112, 119-127, 130-132; also document 1 and
- * Cataraqui: documents 113-118
- * Oswego: documents 128-129, 133-163

112. November 29, 1779

From Captain Alexander Fraser, commander at Carleton Island to [?] Reporting that Captain Forbes has rejoined his regiment, as ordered; supporting his wishes that he be allowed to rejoin the detachment at Carleton Island

113. August 1, 1783

From Major John Ross at Cataraqui to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

Reporting planning, as instructed, to settle his troops "as Comfortably as possible in the Province when it can properly be done"

114. August 1, 1783

From Ross at Cataraqui to Lernoult

Enclosing returns [not microfilmed]; reporting difficulties with disease at Oswego, lack of a surgeon there, and unhappiness with the behavior of surgeon's mate "Prendercrast", whom he had sent to attend to the sick there [microfilmed twice]

115. August 18, 1783

From Ross at Cataraqui to Lernoult

Concerning the situation of certain traders at Cataraqui, in relation to the policy on traders and sutlers at Oswego [microfilmed twice]

116. September 10, 1783

From Ross at Cataraqui to Lernoult

Reporting complying with order to set up "an entire staff to be put to recruiting [?] the [?] Corps"

117. October 18, 1783

From Ross at Cataraqui to Lernoult

Reporting having sent a detachment of artillery to Quebec, as ordered; reporting that a building apparently under construction will "contain 400 men"

118. November 3, 1783

From Ross at Cataragui to Lernoult

Reporting that the measles has come to this post, brought by Loyalists from Sorel; that the Indians and some of the garrison will be infedcted; that the surgeon suggests an all-vegetable diet "for a radical cure"; but that such a diet is not available at the post

119. January 30, 1781

From Ross at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Enclosing a return of strength of the garrison, a return of arms, and "the Royalists declarations on oath agreeable to the form Sent"; commenting concerning the procedure for declarations and the frame of mind of the loyalist soldiers; concerning other matters [return of garrison not microfilmed; return of arms document 120]

120. January 30, 1781

"A State of the Arms, Carleton Island"; signed by Ross

121. April 7, 1781

From Ross at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Concerning Captain William Ancrum's desire to command the detachment at Carleton Island; enclosing a return of the troops [not microfilmed]

122. November 22, 1781

From Ross at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Reporting having executed an order to send chasseurs to Montreal

123. December 7, 1781

From Ross at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Concerning arrival of troops and Indians; concerning the promise of arms by spring; recommending that the scattered remains of Sir John Johnson's 2nd Battalion, just arrived, to "join on soon"

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124. March 8, 1782 From Ross at Carleton Island to Lernoult Concerning the supply and repair of arms

125. April 5, 1782

From Ross at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Concerning Mr. Vandervelder, who "does not seem satisfied with his Excellencys proposals"; Ross "having no use for his Services in this part of the World"; Ross has given him leave to return to Canada

126. June 3, 1782

From Ancrum at Carleton Island to Lernoult at Quebec Enclosing the state of the garrison; concerning movements of troops

127. November 10, 1782

From Captain Lieutenant James McDonell, 2nd Battalion at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Concerning movements of troops; enclosing a list of medicines needed, which are requested "as soon as possible" [list not microfilmed]

128. November 26, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing a "Return of the Effective Strength of this garrison Stipulated for the winter" [not microfilmed]; enclosing a copy of a letter from a soldier of the 84th Regiment [document 129] to a friend on the Mohawk River, "who with his Colleague here have been discoverd, and punished accordingly."

129. [no date]

Copy of a letter, signed by James Milligan, "a Soldier of the 84th Regiment to his Friend on the Mohawk River, found in the pocket of a Soldier of the and Battalion of the King's Roy'l Reg't N York detected and put to death by the Indians in the Act of desertion-"; the letter includes, among other personal matters, the following: "young Pertingell...is here himself a Soldier as well as me, and in sorrowfull manner, I so remain and sore against my will, and several young fellows more of the neighborhood who would wish to be at home again out of this Cursed bondage & hard usage"

130. November 29, 1782

From Major John Adolphus Harris of the 84th Regiment, at Carleton Island, to Lernoult

Enclosing monthly garrison and ammunition returns; stating that "This Post is much distress'd for Artificers of every sort"; complaining that "I am very unhappy to trouble you again on the old Subject but the behavior of the Gentleman whose Crimes I send you has been such that it cannot be got over."

131. February 23, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Enclosing the results of a court of enquiry [not microfilmed], as a result of which Quarter Master Buttons is a prisoner; a copy of the court of enquiry results will be forwarded to the sheriff at Montreal

132. March 16, 1783

From Harris at Carleton Island to Lernoult

Offering thanks that artificers "are to be orderd up"; enclosing monthly and ammunition returns [not microfilmed]

133. April 24, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Having arrived at Oswego, commenting that his cannon and other ordnance may be inadequate in the event of an attack; saying that "I hope I may be excused saying that I wish for an augmentation of both.";

commenting on other situations that are not as they should be "according to His Excellencys directions"

134. May 4, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting on trying to make the artillery situation workable; reporting the arrival of a vessel from Niagara with some Indians; stating that "I do not think, that the enemy know anything as yet of this place being taken possession of"

135. May 21, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting that muskets had been received; concerning permission for traders to settle here; other matters

136. May 28, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting on work being done to build barracks for anticipated additional troops here

137. June 11, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting having sent Captain Crawford with 20 troops and 100 Indians to join Captain Robertson for a scouting expedition to the Mohawk River

138. June 29, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting that Crawford had returned from the scouting expedition, and Robertson was on his way to Oswegatchie

139. July 7, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing returns for July 1 [not microfilmed]; Brigadier General Powell had ordered that 100 men be sent to Niagara, which was done; commenting that the size of his garrison is greatly reduced

140. August 3, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

[too light to be able to read accurately]

141. September 1, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing "the necessary Returns" [not microfilmed]; reporting that recruiting is very difficult for this post; wondering whether "I should send a Return of Eight Companies Compleat before the last Ship sails for Britain"

142. September 3, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing the "State of the Garrison" [not microfilmed]; apologizing for having omitted casualties; stating that "they are the first Casualtys since my Arrival here, but am Sorry to say are too many"

143. September 12, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting having apprehended a soldier in the 84th Regiment "making his escape to the enemy"

144. September 20, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting having given Lieutenant Lachlan McLean of the 84th Regiment permission to go to Quebec to seek the commander in chief's leave to go to Britain

145. September 20, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to [?; probably Lernoult]

Since the surgeon of the regiment is "Intirely destitute of any assistance and at present not in a good state of health", requesting that the surgeon's mate of the regiment be sent to Oswego

146. September 29, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting having learned that two prisoners escaped at Coteau du Lac

147. October 4, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing monthly returns [not microfilmed]; reporting on more desertions; reporting having given Ensign McDougal of the 84th Regiment permission to go to Montreal "on some urgent business"

148. October 20, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing the results of a court of enquiry on Cornelius Lowning and John Clark, both private soldiers, one in the 84th Regiment and the other in Butler's Rangers

149. October 20, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting that Captain Grant of the 84th Regiment and Ensign Claus of the 2nd Battalion have left for Canada, according to the commander in chief's permission; reporting having given Ensign Samuel McCay permission to go to Montreal because of ill health

150. October 21, 1782

"Evidences sent from Oswego to attend the General Court martial at Head Quarters"; signed by Acting Fort Adjutant William Fraser

151. October 31, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

"His Majesty's Royal approbation of my conduct and the Officers and men of the Garrison does us Infinite Honor"

152. November 1, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing necessary returns [not microfilmed]; sorry to report that another desertion has taken place; commenting that "I believe it will be necessary to make examples of some of them on the spot by the Indians."

153. November 9, 1782

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting that only one of four intended deserters actually "set off": "I sent some Indians after him with directions to put him to death, which they accordingly did after a pursuit of Twenty miles, the rest have been severely punished. The season is so far advanced, that I expect no more desertion."; observing that recruiting is now more difficult [and desertion more likely] because of "the Idea of now living in peace, and quietness in the Colonies"; "had the War been pursued, these very men would have been better soldiers, still I must add that they have submitted to the hard labour -which attended our exertions at this place with cheerfulness"

154. [no date] received February 4, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

"Please Inform His Excellency that this Garrison is in good health and Spirits and that I have nothing in the least interesting to Communicate at Present."

155. April 12, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Suggesting that the men of the regiments in Canada who are fit for service to be permitted [? leave]

156. June 22, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Reporting new desertions; reporting that many are anxiously awaiting their discharges so they can settle in Canada; requesting a response "as soon as Convenient"

157. April 23, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Concerning soldier McLeod of the 84th Regiment confined for mutiny who had evaded his court martial trial

158. May 14, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

"His Majesty's Proclamation inclos'd has, agreeable to direction, been communicated to the Troops"

159. July 1, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Enclosing the monthly return [not microfilmed]; reporting that "The Detachment of Rangers Embark'd for Niagara yesterday by order of Brigadier General [Allan] McLean"; reporting having apprehended two deserters

160. July 30, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

Acknowledging receipt of orders for removal of this Garrison to Cataraqui except for "weak men"; reporting plans to comply

161. July 11, 1783

From Lieutenant Ronald McDonell of the 84th Regiment, at Oswegatchie, to Lernoult at Quebec

Reporting about to proceed to Cataraqui as ordered; enclosing a return of the numbers leaving and the numbers remaining at the Oswegatchie garrison [not microfilmed]

162. July 12, 1783

From Ross at Oswego to Lernoult

"I am exceedingly Sorry that I miscomprehended the General Orders..." concerning monthly returns

163. September 1, 1783

From Captain Thomas Gumersall of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, at Oswego, to Lernoult at Quebec

Enclosing a "State of the Garrison under my Command" [not microfilmed]

Germans, letters from field officers, 1783: 18 documents with dates from January 30 through July 31, 1783 (printed page numbers 417 through 467)

164. January 30, 1783

From Brigade Major Ritter at Cap St. Ignace to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

Enclosing a monthly return of the troops in the "District of Major General

De Loos" plus a return of the non-commissioned officers and privates in the district [returns not microfilmed]

165. January 25, 1783

"Liste[s] Du Premier Battaillon de Hesse Hanau", including ranks and names, home town, age, weight, and years in service:

List of the "Companie de Grenadier Capitain de Buttlar"

List of the "Companie du Corps" [microfilmed twice]

List of the "Companie du Lieutenant Colonel Prince Frederic"

List of the "Companie du Capitaine de Schock"

List of the "Companie du Major de Germann"

List of the "Companie du Colonel Lentz"

166. April 3, 1783

From Major General de Loos [also spelled by him de Looz] at Cap St. Ignace to Lernoult

Acknowledging receipt of Lernoult's letter concerning General Friederick Rauschenplatz, which he has communicated to the commanding officer of Anhalt Zerbst's Regiment

167. April 29, 1783

From de Loos at Cap St. Ignace to Lernoult
Acknowledging receipt of the King's proclamations, which he has
communicated to the troops under his command

168. May 29, 1783

From de Loos at Cap St. Ignace to Lernoult

Reporting having sent, per orders received, a detachment of General Lossberg's Regiment to Pointe de Levis and removing the few remaining in the regiment to "this parish"

169. June 9, 1783

From Ritter at Cap St. Ignace to [?; probably Lernoult]
Reporting on capture of a reputed "spy or a great Vagabond", perhaps a

French man of war deserter, who is being sent to Quebec with escort

170. June 18, 1783

From de Loos at Pointe de Levis to Lernoult

Having received orders concerning a detachment of the Hesse Hanau troops and troops from the Regiment of Anhalt Zerbst at Fort St. Francis, reporting that "Proper directions have been sent instantly to the respective Comanders of those Corps to comply with the same without delay."

171. July 1, 1783

From de Loos at Pointe de Levis to Lernoult at Quebec "I am oblig'd to Confess that the Contens are the true Nuthmeggs of Consolation of an empty Soldiers purse."

172. July 3, 1783

From Colone Lentz at Pointe de Levis to [?; probably Lernoult] A memorandum requesting that nine men of the Hesse Hanau Regiment detached for employment at Sorel be returned to their regiment "as soon as conveniently can be done, he [Lentz] having but very few troops with him at presnt."

173. July 5, 1783

From Ritter at Pointe de Levis to Lernoult

Enclosing embarkation returns for the German corps in the district of de Loos; reporting that the Regiment of Anhalt Zerbst "arrived yesterday at their new Cantonement at Beaumont"

174. July 8, 1783

From de Loos at Pointe de Levis to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting having sent to Quebec "Two Gentlemen which have lately been made Officers in the Regiment of Lossberg"; reporting that he has a toothache and that "Ritter is not well too"

175. July 6, 1783

From de Loos at Pointe de Levis to Lernoult

Concerning a guard left at the magazine of provision at St. Thomas, as reported in the enclosed letter from Rauschenplatz [not microfilmed]; requesting guidance on whether the guard should remain or whether the provisions will be moved; note written at headquarters on the back: "The Provisions in store at St. Thomas are ordered to be moved to Quebec immediately, when, the Guard will join their Corps"

176. July 5, 1783

From Rauschenplatz at Beaumont to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting on circumstances pertaining to the movement of baggage to St. Michel and Beaumont and seeking assistance with those movements [written in French]

177. July 6, 1783

From de Loos at Pointe de Levis to [?; probably Lernoult]
"His most Serene Highness the Landgrave of Hesse Cassell has made the following Promotions in the Regiment of Lossberg in Canada"

178. July 8, 1783

From Lentz at Pointe de Levis to "Your Excellency" the commander in chief

Requesting that "the [Hesse Hanau] troops of His Serenissime Highness the Prince of Hesse under my command" who have been assigned to work on the fortifications at Quebec be returned to their battalion in preparation for their embarkation for Europe

179. July 26, 1783

From Ritter at Pointe de Levis to [?; probably Lernoult] Conveying concerns of de Loos that German soldiers employed on the works may take opportunities to desert and remain in North America rather than returning with their fellow troops to Europe; requesting that these troops be reassigned to their regiment

180. July 29, 1783

From de Loos at Pointe de Levis to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting having just received two sets of orders which "were expedited instantly"

181. July 31, 1783

From de Loos at Pointe de Levis to Lernoult at Quebec Reporting that "the Regiment of Lossberg has no more than Forty Rounds of Cartridges [per] man"

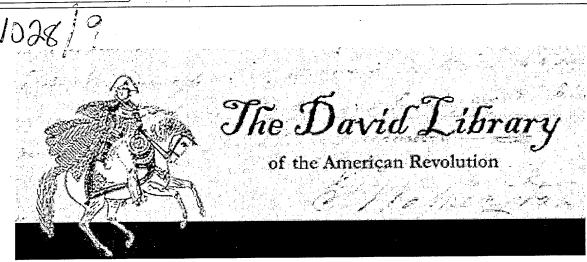
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<u>Swain Report Special: War Office 28, Regimental HQ Papers, Installment 8</u>

This latest installment of Library Research Assistant David Swain's catalog of the British Headquarters Papers sheds light on two important topics: the social dynamics of every-day life in the army and the closing years of the British occupation of New York City. As reflected below, the majority of this microfilm covers memorials and petitions written by a range of individuals to the successive commanders-in-chief in Canada. These documents, essentially formalized appeals for assistance, provide an insight into the every-day workings of the army by revealing the numerous problems and concerns that afflicted military personnel and associated civilians, as well as giving us an indication of the mass of paperwork that came to the commander-in-chief. Carleton's orderly book for New York City, comprising the latter portions of this reel, details an almost day-by-day account of the army's operations in that vicinity for the final years of the war. As these documents show, while not engaged in active hostilities, the British Army nevertheless stayed busy with the numerous other duties that afflict a military force in garrison. Our thanks go out to David Swain for faithfully sticking with this project, which has now absorbed several months of his hard work.

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Volunteer Corps (reel 3-first part), 223 documents)

28.5 Royal Regiment of New York, Rogers' King's Rangers, Barrack Master General's Department (reel 3—second part, 33 documents; reel 4, 147 documents)

28.6 General Hospital Department; garrison returns; Engineers

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"Letterbooks" among these documents are not actually bound books but are folders of separate-page letters kept at the time by regiments. The microfilm copies of these letters are mostly in chronological order, with a few exceptions. Apparently at a later time, archivists added consecutive printed numbers to the letter pages within each part. These printed numbers are noted in this list for each letterbook or document set.

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1. August 2, 1776 Memorial of Captain Lieutenant Bolton Power of the 20th Regiment of Foot, at Bellevue to Sir Guy Carleton, captain general and governor of the Province of Canada Seeking a recommendation for command of "the first Company that may become vacant in the Regiment"

2. August 21, 1776 Memorial of Lieutenant John Gashell of the 20th Regiment of Foot to Carleton Seeking promotion to captain lieutenant in the regiment

3. August 21, 1776 Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Lind at Bellevue on behalf of Power

4. August 20, 1776 Memorial of Captain Thomas Gaylord of the 34th Regiment at Sorel to Carleton As most senior captain in the army, hoping for an opportunity to fill a vacancy for promotion

5. September 2, 1776 Memorial of William Barr, purveyor of the hospital at Montreal, to Carleton Seeking appointment as first surgeon of the hospital

6. September 8, 1776 Memorial of Lind at Bellevue on behalf of Christopher Dorslin who seeks "the first Ensigncy that may become vacant in the 20th Regiment"

7. September 13, 1776 Memorial of Lieutenant George Brodie of the 21st Regiment, at the camp opposite St. Johns, to Carleton Seeking promotion to captain

8. September 12, 1776 Memorial of James Lundin, "late Lieut of the 35th Regiment at present of trhe Royal Highland Emigrants His Commission from General Gage bearing date the 14 June 1775", at Montreal, to Carleton "begs for a Company in any of the new Corps"

9. September 20, 1776 Memorial of William Jones, provost marshal; at Chambly, to Carleton Seeking correction of his pay amount and receipt of unpaid back pay

10. September 27, 1776 Memorial of Isaac Winslow Clarke at Chambly to Carleton Seeking to be reestablished as assistant commissary general

11. October 14, 1776
Memorial of James Andrews, "master of His Majestys vessels on Lake Erie" to Carleton
Stating "that his present station Offers him but a scanty and precarious Subsistence, without either Rank or the usual resource of Old Servants of the Crown—Half pay"; seeking that "Your Excellency will please to take his case into Consideration" without preferring "Any particular Hopes" of how His Excellency might provide such consideration

12. November 6, 1776 Memorial of Captain W. Hughes of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at the camp at St. Johns, to Carleton Seeking promotion when a vacancy becomes available

13. November 7, 1776 Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Anstruther, commander of the 62nd Regiment of Foot, at Quebec, to Carleton Recommending approval that Captain Dawson "Dispose of his Company", allowing a series of promotions and commission purchases to occur in the regiment

14. November 16, 1776 Memorial of Ensign Lowther Mathews of the 62nd Regiment of Foot, at Quebec, to Carleton Seeking promotion

15. November 21, 1776 Memorial of Anstruther at Pointe de Levis to Carleton Seeking return or replacement of arms, urgently needed for his "near Compleat" 62nd Regiment, that "were delivered to some Canadians...which have not yet been returned"

16. November 24, 1776
Memorial of Major Robert Grant, commander of the 24th Regiment of
Foot, at Boucherville, to Carleton
Seeking approval for replacement, through sale of commission, of
Lieutenant and Adjutant Robert Pennington, who is in bad health, with
Richard Beecroft, and sign a commission accordingly [see also document
42]

17. November 27, 1776 Memorial of Grant, at Boucherville, to Carleton Seeking two promotions in light of the death of Pennington

18. [no date] Memorial of Ensign William Pendred Naylor of the 62nd Regiment to Carleton Seeking promotion

19. [no date] Memorial of James Hagart, second lieutenant of Marines, to Carleton Seeking promotion to lieutenant in the line

20. [no date]
Memorial of "the Major and the rest of the Captains of the 53d Regiment" to Carleton
Seeking to reverse a decision "that the debt due from the late Lieut.
Charles Houghton to his Captain Brigadier General Sowell, should be charged to the Non-Effective Acct. of said Regiment" because of a fear it would be financially detrimental to the regiment officers; signed by Major Balcarres and six captains; headquarters note at bottom of page after signatures: "to acquaint the Petitioners the matter to which their Petition relates has been transmitted to Secretary at [?] and refered to the King—"

21. [no date]
Statement from [?] concerning Anstruther's two memorials dated
November 7 and November 16, 1776 [documents 13 and 14]; noting that in
the meantime, two junior ensigns have been promoted; concluding that
this "makes Room to suppose that the memorial hath also been laid aside"

22. [no date] Memorial of Lieutenant Thomas Lucas of the 20th Regiment of Foot to Carleton Seeking preferment for promotion

23. [no date]
Petition of Lieutenant Joseph Smith of the Royal Regiment of New York to Carleton
Having been imprisoned by the Rebels after Saratoga [in October 1779]
and the Rebels having "destroyed & laid waste all his property"; seeking assistance to obtain some sort of employment, since "he finds it impossible

to subsist on his Pay as Lieutenant"

24. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Thomas Story of the 47th Regiment to Carleton Seeking promotion

25. [no date]

Petition of Edward Ware, John Bryan, and Thomas Barratt to "Your Excellency"

Repenting of their crimes of desertion and seeking clemency

26. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Watson Powell, of the 53rd Regiment of Foot to Carleton

Requesting that Sergeant Major John Chalmers be promoted with a commission to succeed to the position of quarter master of the regiment

27. [no date]

Memorial of Ensign Hamilton of the 53rd Regiment Seeking promotion; having unsuccessfully attempted to purchase a lieutenant commission

28. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Simeon Lord of the 53rd Regiment to Carleton Seeking promotion

29. [no date]

Memorial of Ensign Samuel Ford of the 47th Regiment of Foot to Carleton Seeking promotion to lieutenant

30. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Hill of the 9th Regiment of Foot to Lieutenant General John Burgoyne

Seeking Burgoyne's support in seeking Carleton's approval for Hill to be promoted to captain lieutenant in his regiment if Captain Lieutenant Fraser is approved to command a company

31. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Paul Banks of the 62nd Regiment of Foot to Carleton Seeking promotion

32. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Sam Willoc [?] of the King's (or 8th) Regiment of Foot

Seeking promotion

33. [no date]

Petition of Ensign John Wilson plus six sergeants, five corporals, and four

privates to Carleton

Seeking to do duty in the corps commanded by Captain McKay rather than that of Colonel Peters, who has claimed them for his corps [microfilmed twice; the first microfilming lacks the second page of the petition, which is included in the second microfilming]

34. [no date]

Memorial of Ensign Alexander Saunders of the 29th Regiment to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief for the Province of Quebec and the frontier

Requesting that promotion of Ensign Hollier, who has been improperly promoted over him, be reversed [microfilmed twice]

35. [no date] Memorial of Captain Stephen Watts of the 8th Regiment and Captain Patrick Daly of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, to Haldimand "praying the Gen'l to favor B. G. Maclean to pay them their Remand in the R. H. Emigrants"

36. [no date] Memorial of Lieutenant William Wood of the 34th Regiment to Carleton Seeking promotion

37. [no date] Memorial of Ensign Henry Stanyford Blanckley of the 31st Regiment to Carleton Seeking clarification of his rank

38. [no date] Memorial of "the Volunteers under the Command of Lieut't Col. Jessep" to Carleton Seeking pay due since 1777; signed or marked by 17 memorialists

39. [no date] Memorial of Lieutenant Robert Duport of the 47th Regiment to Carleton Seeking promotion

40. [no date] Memorial from Patrick Kane, volunteer in the King's Royal Regiment of New York to Carleton Seeking a position in the army since he cannot subsist on his volunteer pay

Military and naval memorials to Sir Guy Carleton, 1777: 30 documents with dates from September 18, 1776 through June 26, 1778 (printed page numbers 51 through 92)

41. September 18, 1776 Memorial of Captain Gordon Forbes of the 34th Regiment, at Chambly, to General Sir Guy Carleton, governor and commander in chief in Canada Seeking promotion

42. January 2, 1777 Memorial of Major Robert Grant, commander of the 24th Regiment of Foot, at Boucherville, to Carleton Recommending Richard Beecroft to succeed regimental Adjutant Robert Pennington, who had died November 26, 1776 [see also document 16]

43. January 4, 1777 Memorial of Captain Lieutenant George Coote of the 24th Regiment of Foot, at Boucherville, to Carleton Seeking promotion to serve in one of the "vacant Companys in the Army"

44. January 20, 1777 Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Lind, commander of the 20th Regiment of Foot, at Isle aux Noix, to Carleton Recommending Sergeant Major John Holmes to succeed to the vacant position of quarter master in the regiment

45. February 12, 1777 Memorial of Major Robert Grant, commander of the 24th Regiment of Foot, at Boucherville, to Carleton Recommending Sergeant Joseph Caladine to succeed regimental Adjutant Robert Pennington, who had died November 26, 1776

46. February ?, 1777 Memorial of Captain William Agnew of the 24th Regiment of Foot, at Pointe aux Trembles, to Carleton Seeking promotion

47. March 7, 1777 Memorial of Austin Piety, volunteer in the regiment commanded by Sir John Johnson, at Montreal, to Carleton Seeking promotion despite former "disgust" and "disappointment"

48. March 20, 1778 [out of chronological order] Petition of Midshipman William Dodderidge of the sloop Viper to Carleton at St. Johns Seeking a commission to command a ship on one of the lakes

49. March 25, 1777 Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Anstruther of the 62nd Regiment of Foot, at Quebec, to Carleton Recommending Ensign William Wybrants for promotion to the lieutenancy vacated by the death of John Fleming

50. June 5, 1777 From Major A. Dundas of the 34th Regiment at Quebec to [?] Recommending Lieutenant William Kimble to succeed to Captain Sedgwick's Company, which Sedgwick is selling

51. June 12, 1777
From Dundas at Quebec to Captain Foy, adjutant general, at Montreal Confirming that Kimble has been approved to purchase Sedgwick's company; recommending Ensign Anthony Wingrove for promotion to lieutenant; reporting that the ensigncy will be kept vacant, allowing Sedgwick, when he returns to England, to sell it to his preferred purchaser

52. June 23, 1777 Memorial of Captain Collin Campbell at Montreal to Carleton Seeking promotion to command of a company "by Purchase or other ways"

53. June 26, 1778 [out of chronological order] Memorial of Naval Second Lieutenant Antoine [or Anthony] Confroy, at Quebec, to Carleton Seeking sick pay as an officer and a commission as a second lieutenant on the lakes

54. July 25, 1777 Memorial of Lieutenant John Smyth of the 9th Regiment of Foot, at St. Johns, to Carleton Seeking promotion to captain lieutenant if Captain Lieutenant Bayley succeeds Captain Stapylton, who was killed

55. September 8, 1777
From Lieutenant John Burnet of the King's Regiment, at Montreal, to Carleton
Seeking permission, "at the close of the campaign" to go to Amboy to determine the situation of his wife, "a relation of Mr. Delancy of New York" whom he had left there three years before when assigned to duty at Niagara

56. September 28, 1777 Memorial of Lieutenant William Leybourne of the 29th Regiment of Foot, at St. Johns, to Carleton Seeking promotion [second page microfilmed twice] 57. September 30, 1777

"Memorial and Petition of the Subscribers Captains in the first battalion of His Majestys Regiment of Royal Highland Emigrants", at Isle Aux Noix, to Carleton

Expressing their intent to retire from the service "unless it shall please His Majesty to put the Regiment on the same footing as the established Regiments in the Service"; stating that the subaltern officers of the regiment have similar complaints; signed by Captains John Nairne, Alexander Fraser, George McDougal, Malcolm Fraser, and Daniel Robertson

58. October 11, 1777

From First Lieutenant of Artillery John Downing, at Quebec, to Carleton Seeking a leave of absence to attend to private affairs in Ireland; stating that "I hope it will not be Intirely Useless to His Majesty's Service, as I mean to offer my Services to Raise at least 300 men By May next, which I am able to do with a little Support from government"

59. October 17, 1777

Memorial of Captain William Sandford of the 21st Regiment of Foot, at St. Johns, to Carleton

Seeking permission to resign and sell his company to Lieutenant Thomas Donaldson, so that he can return to England to attend to his bad health and family needs

60. October 30, 1777

From Downing, at Quebec, to [?; probably Carleton] Expanding on his request for a leave of absence

61. December 1, 1777

From Sam MacKay at Chateaugaye to Carleton Seeking a commission

62. December 16, 1777

Memorial of William Friend, late commander of "His Majestys Sloop on Lake Champlain" to Carleton

After having been a prisoner of the Rebels from November 1775 through October 1777 and having received no pay or subsistence during that time, and having had all his property taken by the Rebels, "which hath reduced him to a state of indigency" seeking whatever allowance can be offered plus appointment as a pilot on Lake Champlain or other similar employment

63. December 29, 1777

Memorial of Daniel Bliss at Quebec to Carleton

Having had to leave the army due to poor health and having been reduced to poverty by his poor health and lack of payment of back pay due, seeking assistance and employment

64. [?] 1777

Memorial of Captain Lieutenant Alexander Fletcher of His Majesty's Regiment of Royal Highland Emigrants to General Frederick Haldimand, commander in chief for the Province of Quebec and the frontier Seeking redress in a complicated situation of accusations and counter accusations by requesting a general court martial, "from whose impartial determination in makes not the least doubt of renewing that reparation which is due to his injured and suffering Character"

65. [?] 1777

Memorial of the major, captains, and subaltern officers of the 29th Regiment of Foot to Carleton

Seeking approval for the vacant position of lieutenant colonel to be filled by promotion within the regiment

66. [?] 1777

Memorial of Captain Hunter Sedgwick to Carleton Seeking permission to retire from the service due to ill health and pressing business in England

67. [no date]

Memorial of Ensign Henry Stanyford Blanckley of the 31st Regiment to Carleton

Seeking approval to purchase the lieutenancy about to be vacated by Lieutenant Alexander Hamilton

68. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Alexander Fletcher of the Royal Highland Emigrants to Carleton Seeking to be promoted to the rank of captain, filling the vacancy created by promotion of Captain Lowe

69. [no date]

Memorial of Surgeon Charles Blake of the 34th Regiment to Carleton As an "Old Regimental Surgeon", seeking appointment as "surgeon to the Staff" at the general hospital at Montreal; headquarters note "Left to Gen'l Haldiman"

70. [no date]

Memorial of Captain David Alexander Grant of the Royal Highland Emigrants to Carleton Seeking a commission as captain in the regiment

Petitions from Royalists: 30 documents with dates from August 16, 1777 through June 17, 1778 plus some without dates (printed page numbers 93 through 135)

71. August 16, 1777

"Memorial of Hugh Munro, late of the County of Albany Trader", to General Sir Guy Carleton, governor and commander in chief in Canada Explaining his assignment as commander of a company in Captain Daniel McAlpin's Corps, as documented in general orders dated August 10, 1777, signed by Brigadier General Simon Fraser, by command of Lieutenant General John Burgoyne at Camp Saratoga [extract of this order quoted in the memorial]; complaining that he was being paid as a lieutenant, not a captain; seeking full captain's pay or, alternatively, permission to go home to New York or to be assigned to another corps; "Memorandum of the Personal Estate belonging to Hugh Munro...that fell into the hands of the Rebels & Destroyed by the Kings Troops & Savages" attached to the memorial

72. August 31, 1777

"Memorial of Gershom French in behalf of himself Mess'rs Francis Hogel & Andrew Palmatear", at Camp Saratoga, to Burgoyne Seeking assistance in obtaining back men they recruited in the Bahama Islands, who had been reassigned elsewhere, leaving the memorialists without the men they need in their company

73. December 1, 1777 Memorial of Hugh Monro, at Quebec, to Carleton Seeking full pay not yet received

74. December 9, 1777

Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Peters, at Montreal, to Carleton Describing how "Battau Men Cart and Waggon Drivers" have been declining to work and making trouble; seeking a remedy through "some Ordinance whereby they may be Regulated to the End that they may have it in their Power to Subsist Without Falling into Vicious Practices as Many of them its to be Doubted Will If no Remedy is Perscribed to Prevent the Growing Evil of Poverty Amongst them"

75. December 9, 1777

"Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Peters in behalf of himself and his Batallion" to Carleton

Explaining the "Allarming Surcumstances" of the royalist company under the command of French and Hogel [see document 72], who had joined Captain McKay's corps under the mistaken impression that they would be discharged soon to go home, and who, among other things, had as yet received no subsistence; seeking redress

76. February 19, 1778

Petition of Simon Metcalfe to Carleton

Seeking redress because his property at Plattsburgh was "laid waist...by sundry detachments from the Garrisons under your Excellency's command"

77. March 9, 1778

Memorial of Justus Sherwood at Montreal to Carleton Explaining the situation of the French-Hogel royalist company [see documents 72 and 75], which had been under his command before they left for McKay's corps; stating that they were never supposed to have left his command and having lost most of his men as a result; seeking assistance in getting his men back; memorial includes a list of 24 men who had left him for McKay

78. March 12, 1778

Petition of Terence McCoristine, at La Prairie, to Carleton Having volunteered as a royalist in the New York Regiment, and finding that he has been classified as "enlisted" into the regular army, seeking redress since he "never Consented to serve as a Private Soldier"

79. March 13, 1778

Memorial of Jonathan Jones of Mr. Jessup's Corps, at Montreal, to Carleton

Seeking subsistence for service for himself and two brothers

80. March 13, 1778

Memorial of John Samson and Thomas Loveless, at Montreal, to Carleton Seeking employment to provide for their "common necessaries of life" after having lost their job of conductor of teams in General Burgoyne's army

81. March 13, 1778

Memorial of John Grout to Carleton

Seeking permission to serve as a private, after having been imprisoned by the Rebels as a loyalist, having escaped to Burgoyne's army, having obtained leave from there, having been an attorney before the war, and having now been reduced to poverty; headquarters note: "refered to Sir John Johnson"

82. March 14, 1778

Memorial of Philo Hulbert to Carleton

Seeking "some small relief" from destitution, having been imprisoned by the Rebels and escaping, coming "through the Woods to Canada by these misfortunes he has lost what money and Cloathing he had"

83. March 16, 1778

Petition of Alexander Chesholm, at Montreal, to Carleton Having followed the British army as a sutler, and having lost all of his goods at Ticonderoga, seeking employment

84. March 23, 1778

Petition of Benjamin Holt, at Montreal, to Carleton at Quebec Seeking support "under his present Difficult Curcumstances as Sickness has Prevaild in my family"

85. March [?], 1778

Memorial of Timothy Buel, at Montreal, to Carleton Seeking subsistence for him and his family, having been a prosperous loyalist, imprisoned by the Rebels, and lost his property

86. March [?], 1778

Memorial of William Buel, at Montreal, to Carleton Seeking "some relief", having served in Burgoyne's army and having not been paid since Burgoyne's "army was Surrouned and Capitulatd"

87. June 16, 1778 Petition of Isaac Frist at Quebec to Carleton Seeking payment for service, having served as a loyalist lieutenant,

including under Burgoyne, but had never been paid

88. [no date]

Petition of Thomas Robertson to Carleton
Seeking employment after having been a loyalist settler, and having joined
Burgoyne's army, and having lost his property, and "Having obtaind
General Powells leave I came to Canada, where the Sufferers for
Government have been Received in the most favourable manner"

89. [no date]

Petition of Andrew Naughton to Carleton Seeking "Reasonable Relief", having served in Burgoyne's army, been reduced to poverty, and went to Canada, according to the provisions for Americans under the post-Saratoga Convention

90. [no date]

Petition of Pierre Robineau to Carleton Seeking payment for service under Burgoyne [written in French]

91. [no date]

Memorial of Samuel Perry, lately an inhabitant of Saratoga, to Carleton Having served as a loyalist volunteer in Burgoyne's army, asking Carleton to "interfere in my behalf, and not leave a true Loyalist to suffer through the Ommission, or Sinister Views of others"

92. [no date]

Memorial of William Fraser to Carleton Seeking employment, having served as a loyalist in Burgoyne's army and previously was a trader with the Indians at Niagara

93. [no date]

Petition of Joseph Smith late of Pennsylvania to Carleton Seeking payment of pay not received for service in the King's Royal Regiment of New York

94. [no date]

Petition of Richard Raymond, property owner near Crown Point, to Carleton

Seeking permission to be freed to return to his lands, after having been employed by the army after the Rebels stole his livestock etc., leaving him

destitute, and having been imprisoned at Montreal after the Convention

95. [no date]

Petition of Andrew Coulter, late inhabitant on Lake George, to Carleton Seeking "something for his Present Support", after having lost his property to the Rebels

96. July 28, 1777

Permit for passage of the bearer, a Mr. Gregory, via the outposts of the British Army toward Fort George, as ordered by Brigadier General Simon Fraser, commanding the Advance Corps; signed by Brigade Major Quin John Freeman at camp near Fort Edward

97. June 8, 1778

From Major Edward Jessup, King's Loyal Americans, at Montreal, to "To whom it may Concern" $\,$

Certification that the bearer, Andrew Colter, is a "good Royalist" and "is now in this Place in no Business or any way of supporting himself;

98. June 16, 1778

From Barrister[?] Master John Jones of Fort George at Quebec Certification that the bearer, Andrew Colter, is "an Honest Man" who has "shown his zeal" in helping the British army and Rebel deserters

99. June 17, 1778

From Charles O'Neil and John O'Brien, at Quebec Certification that the bearer, Andrew Colter, assisted the British army and joined Burgoyne's army in 1777; sworn before Thomas Durn, ICS

100. [no date]

Petition of Hazelton Spencer to Carleton
Seeking relief after becoming destitute after having wor

Seeking relief after becoming destitute after having worked as a sutler attached to Burgoyne's army

Military and provincial memorials and petitions to Sir Guy Carleton, 1778: 26 documents dated from February 21 through July 21, 1778 (printed page number 136 through 175)

101. February 21, 1778

Memorial of Captain William Howe of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at Chambly, to General Sir Guy Carleton, commander in chief of forces in Canada and the frontiers thereof

Seeking to sell his company and commission to Lieutenant George Mure so that he can return to England for business and health reasons

102. March 9, 1778

Memorial of Ensign Archibald MacDonell of the Royal Highland Emigrants, at Isle aux Noix, to Carleton Requesting that a formal commission for his ensigncy be written

103. March 10, 1778

Memorial of Lieutenant John MacDonell of the Royal Highland Emigrants, at Isle aux Noix, to Carleton

Having "had the mortification to find his promotion tottaly Stopt during his Captivity", and finding that other ensigns inferior to him have been promoted over him, seeking to have his lieutenant commission dated earlier to reflect the just ordering of ranks

104. March 14, 1778

Memorial of Captain William Hughes of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at Chambly, to Carleton

Seeking a commission as ensign for his son John, "Fifteen Years of Age,

now educating in England for the Military Line"

105. March 25, 1778

Memorial of Captain Lieutenant Joseph Anderson of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, at Montreal, to Carleton Seeking permission to purchase the company of Captain Watts of the King's New York Regiment which Watts is selling because he has just purchased a company in the 8th Regiment

106. April 6, 1778

Memorial of Lieutenant William Leybourne of the 29th Regiment, at Montreal, to Carleton Seeking consideration for promotion given "the Vacancys occasioned by the Melancholy accident of the deaths of Captains L'Estrange & Scott"

107. May 6, 1778

Memorial of Ensign Alexander Richardson of the 9th Regiment, at Pointe de Feu, to Carleton at Quebec Seeking promotion to lieutenant

108. May 25, 1778

Memorial of Deputy Paymaster General Jacob Jordan at Quebec, to Carleton Seeking a warrant to obtain the "Sum of £" in his pay account

[cover for a memorial not microfilmed with headquarters notation "Memorial of Nath'l Day Ens'n 11 June 1778]

109. June 13, 1778

Petition of Captain Patrick Daly's Company of Volunteers in the Kings Royal Regiment of New York, at Beauport, to Carleton Having volunteered and served loyally, having not enlisted or having the intent to enlist, having been reduced to poverty from Rebel plunder of their property, and having "at divers Times been Opresed and affronted by the Regimental Orders of the afore Said Reg't,"; seeking permission to be sent to New York City to serve the King there; list at the end of 30 names identified as "The mens name of The Company" [see also documents 110-113]

110. June 13, 1778

Petition of Captain Alexander MacDonell's Company of Volunteers in the Kings Royal Regt of New York, at Beauport, to Carleton [content very similar to that of documents109 and 110-113]; seeking permission to be sent to New York City; list of 29 names, 15 (or 12?) with X signature marks

111. June 13, 1778

Petition of the Light Company commanded by Captain Samuel Anderson, being volunteers in the King's Royal Regiment of New York, at Beauport, to Carleton

[content very similar to that of documents 109-110 and 112-113]; seeking permission to be sent to New York City; list of 30 names

112. June 13, 1778

Petition of Captain Angus MacDonell's company of volunteers in the King's Royal Regiment of New York to Carleton [content very similar to that of documents 109-111 and 113]; seeking permission to be sent to New York City; circular list of 24 names, 13 with X signature marks

113. June 13, 1778

Petition of Captain John MacDonell's company of volunteers in the King's

Royal Regiment of New York, at Beauport, to Carleton [content very similar to that of documents 109-112]; seeking permission to be sent to New York City; circular list of 29 names, 8 with X signature marks

114. June 22, 1778

Memorial of Captain Thomas Gamble, deputy quarter master general, at Quebec, to Carleton

Requesting an audit of transactions of Gamble's guarter master accounts. since he is considered to be in arrears to Deputy Pay Master General Jacob Jordan; seeking a temporary warrant for £2,000 "which shall be accounted for Immediately and Vouchers Render'd"

115. August 11, 1778

Petition of Alexander Fraser, at Chambly, to Lieutenant General Ferdinand Haldimand, commander in chief of forces in Quebec Having previously served in the army, having been "reduced" and discharged, and having served as a volunteer during this war, seeking assignment for garrison duty

116. August 13, 1778

Petition of Andrew MacDonell, soldier in the Royal Highland Emigrants, at Isle aux Noix to [?]

Seeking payment of back pay due and confirming the pay amount of one shilling per day, as agreed on between Captain McLeod and MacDonell

117. July 21, 1778

Copy of the pay agreement between McLeod and MacDonell [probably attached to document 116]

118. August 17, 1778

Memorial from Frantz [?] at Sorel to Haldimand [written probably in French; very difficult to decipher]

119. August 25, 1778

Memorial from Miles Prenties at Quebec to Haldimand Seeking an ensign commission for his son Samuel Walter Prenties that was being obstructed by Mr. David Cairns, late a lieutenant in the Royal **Emigrants Regiment**

120. September 3, 1778

Petition of Reuben Hawley at St. Johns to Haldimand Seeking subsistence relief for himself and his family for services rendered

121. September 6, 1778

Petition of Charles Bennett at St. Johns to Haldimand Seeking payment for providing a horse for an express delivery plus money for the rider, for which he has not been paid, nor the horse returned

122. September 6, 1778

Petition of Oliver Everts at St. Johns to Haldimand Seeking payment for 10 cattle sold to General Riesdesel

123. November 9, 1778

Memorial of Ensign Samuel Walter Prenties of the Royal Emigrants at Isle aux Noix to Haldimand Seeking assistance to purchase a commission he cannot afford

124. [no date]

Petition of Judith Cornfield to Haldimand Seeking her late husband's allowance to support her and three small children, after her husband, Sergeant Samuel Cornfield of the 24th

Regiment, had drowned while on duty in Lake Champlain

125. July 21, 1778

Certification of Cornfield's death in March 1778 and that the bearer was his widow; signed at Montreal by Captain Richard Bancroft [?] of the 24th Regiment

126. [no date]

Memorial of Captain Robert Longfield of the 53rd Regiment of Foot Seeking a leave of absence to go home to handle family affairs because of the death of his brother and declining health of his father

Memorials of Canadian and other inhabitants, 1777-1780 and with no date: 27 documents with dates from June 28, 1777 through June 15, 1780 (printed page numbers 176 through 213)

127. June 28 1777

"Ouvrage faitte pour Le Compte du gouvernement a la troupe de Monsieur Maquaje par moi joseph poitre armurier de montrealle a Mai 1777" Accounting list of work done and costs, signed at Montreal by Captain Samuel MacKay [written in French]

128. September 4, 1777

From Lestard de Montigny "au Bout de l'isle", to "Mon General" Seeking financial assistance for himself, his wife, and three children

129. [no date]

"Memoire du terns employé au Service De Sa Majesté par Toussaint Le Cavelier interpreté des iraquois Jusqu'au 1.er 9.bre [September ?] 1777" Accounting list for interpreter services rendered [written in French]

130. August 1777

"Government to LeGras Pierreville D.r"

Accounting of expenses for provisions provided to Canadians, Indians, and Andrew Robenet and to pay five laborers 4 dollars each

131. [no date]

"Government to LeGras Pierreville, D.r"

Account for "my service as Commissary for Canadians and Indians" from June 25 through October 25, 1777, 123 days at 10 shillings sterling

132. March 9, 1778

Petition of Simon Alard and his son Nevy [?] Alard at St. Denis to Brigadier General Sir Guy Carleton, commander in chief of forces in Canada and the frontiers thereof

Seeking payment for losses resulting from a guard house fire at St. Denis; signed by the marks of the petitioners; written and signed by J.[?] Chernier [written in French] [see also document 151]

133. March 11, 1778

From [?] Beaubassin [?] at Montreal to "Monsieur" Seems to be seeking a favor [written in French]

134. March 14, 1778

Petition of Charles Mattieu, inhabitant of Lachenay, written at Montreal, to Carleton

Seeking an estimate and payment for damages to his house at Terrebonne [written in French]; [war office note "To be sent to Major Nairn"

135. March 16, 1778

Petition of Sergeant Major Charles Fischbach of Montreal to Carleton

Seeking to know what he is to receive for his services in the militia of Montreal [written in French] [microfilmed twice]

136. March 16, 1778

Accounts of expenses of Joseph Lamothe [or LaMotte] of Montreal concerning rebel prisoners [written in French]

137. March 18, 1778

Memorial of Francois Loiseau, volunteer in His Majesty's service, at Montreal, to Carleton
Seeking recompense for his services [written in French]
138. March 27, 1778
Accounting of damages by Mr. McKay's "party" [written in French]

139. March 29, 1778

Petition of Therese Raz [or Rasa] at Montreal to Carleton seeking reimbursement for damages accounted for [see documents 138 and 142] [written in French]

140. April 10, 1778

Petition of merchants to Carleton

Expressing concern for the protection of their lands along the coast of Labrador; signed by 10 petitioners [written in French]

141. August 24, 1778

From Charles de Lolbiniere [?] at Caudreville [?] to "Monsieur" A petition [written in French; content not clear]

142. [no date]

Petition of Therese Rasa to Carleton

Seeking payment for losses resulting from the army's occupation [written in French] [see documents 138 and 139]

143. [no date]

Petition of Guillaume Lorimier to Carleton

Seeking a commission in recognition of services to the king [written in French]

144. [no date]

Petition of Marie Joseph Dumai [?] Germain Lesperence at Sorel to Carleton

Seeking financial assistance [written in French]

145. [no date]

From Mr. Cavalier to Carleton

Seeking payment for services under Major Campbell [written in French] [headquarters note: "refer'd to Major Campbell"]

146. [no date]

Petition of Pierre La Croix to Carleton

Seeking an annuity for services to prevent fire [written in French]

147. [no date]

Memorial of Joseph Desjarlais to Carleton

Seeking relief resulting from losses sustained at the hands of the rebels [written in French]

148. [no date]

Memorial of Sergeant Pierre Galand of the militia to Carleton Seeking relief for himself, wife, and six children [written in French]

149. [no date]

Memorial of Captain Joackim Guion LeMoine of the militia Seeking payment not received for service [written in French]

150. [no date]
Petition from Charles Harmois to Carleton
Something about Harmois being ignorant and something about 3 gallons of rum [written in French]

151. March 7, 1778

Accounting statement—estimates of damages sustained by Simon and Nevy [?] Alard, reported by militia captains Louis Chabor and Pierre Cevalier, all of the parish of St. Antoine, totaling 2,500 Livres [written in French] [see document 132]

152. [no date]
Petition of Chevalier Hertel to Carleton
Seeking "gratification" as a captain for services rendered [written in French]

153. June 15, 1780 Sworn statements of Thomas Ellorin, Etienne Morin, and Joseph LaBoule [written in French; content not clear]

Military and provincial memorials to General Frederick Haldimand, 1779-1781: 25 documents with dates from March 15, 1779 through December 12, 1781 (printed page numbers 214 through 244)

154. March 15, 1779

Memorial of Major Donald Macdonald of the Royal Highland Emigrants to General Lord Jeffrey Amherst, commander of British forces
Seeking permission, "in consideration of his very long and faithfull Services, great Sufferings, infirm State of Body, advanced Age, and numerous family...to "dispose of his Majority and Company"

155. April 9, 1779
Memorial of Captain Robert Longfield of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at St. Johns, to General Frederick Haldimand, commander of forces in Canada and the frontiers thereof
Seeking permission to sell his commission, "the Climate of this Country not agreeing with his health, and having urgent Business that requires his presence in England"

156. April 9, 1779 Memorial of Brigadier General, Lieutenant Colonel Henry Watson Powell of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at St. Johns, to Haldimand Supporting Longfield's request to sell his commission and recommending Lieutenant William Mure to succeed him

157. September 11, 1779 Memorial of Ensign Manuel Latham of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at St. Johns, to Haldimand Seeking promotion to lieutenant to take Mure's place once he is promoted to captain

158. September 11, 1779 Memorial of Powell at St. Johns to Haldimand Lieutenant James Horn having purchased into the 14th Regiment, seeking approval for Ensign Henry Wills to succeed to lieutenant and for volunteer Richard Wilmer to be appointed Ensign

159. September 11, 1779

Memorial of Powell at St. Johns to Haldimand Mure having been promoted, seeking approval for Ensign Manuel Latham to be appointed lieutenant, "and that the ensigncy remain vacant until a purchaser offers"

160. September 11, 1779

Memorial of Ensign Henry Wills of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at St.

Johns, to Haldimand

Seeking permission to be promoted to a lieutenant vacancy, having missed his proper opportunity to do so because of having been captured in 1777

161. May 11, 1780
From Simon Metcalfe at Montreal to Major Francis LeMaistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec
Enclosing a petition, "which I beg you will be pleased to lay before his Excellency praying the restoration of my Cattle taken by a Marcudous of the Cattle taken by a Marcudous of the

Excellency praying the restoration of my Cattle taken by a Maraudeur on Lake Champlain.... I have taken every gentle method I can think off to obtain my property...but all to no purpose." [see document 162]

162. May 11, 1780 Petition from Metcalfe, late of Plattsburgh, now at Missisquoi Bay, Lake Champlain, to Haldimand, via LeMaistre [see document 161]

163. May 17, 1780 Memorial of Captain John Ross of the 34th Regiment, at Sorel, to Haldimand Seeking an opportunity for promotion to major

164. June 10, 1780
Petition of "Jacque des trois maisons" to Haldimand
Requesting assistance in the improper enlisting of his son [written in French]

165. November 7, 1780
From Surgeon's Mate Henery Stiles of the 34th Regiment, at St. Johns, to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Requesting that the enclosed memorial be referred to the commander in chief [for the memorial, see document 176]

166. September 10, 1781 Memorial of Lieutenant Lauchlan MacLean of the 84th Regiment, at Oswegatchie, to Haldimand Seeking promotion by purchasing a company in the 53rd Regiment

167. December 16, 1781

Memorial of Captain Lieutenant Simeon Lord of the 53rd Regiment of Foot to Haldimand
Having been passed over for promotion because of being taken prisoner in 1777, seeking to sell his captain lieutenancy to Lieutenant Robert
Arbuthnott of the 31st Regiment, all the lieutenants of the 53rd having declined to purchase.

168. December 17, 1781 Memorial of Captain Hutcheson Dunlop of the 53rd Regiment of Foot Supporting the selling of Lord's commission to Arbuthnott

169. [no date] Memorial of Ensign John Magrath of the Royal Highland Emigrants to Haldimand Seeking a promotion

170. July 12, 1779 Memorial of Ensign George Dame of the Royal Highland Emigrants, at Montreal, to Haldimand Having been promised promotion, seeking recognition of rank commensurate with his service

171. [?] 1780 Memorial of Captain Malcolm Fraser of the Royal Highland Emigrants to Haldimand Seeking promotion

172. [?] 1780

Memorial of" Messrs Allan & Ronald McDonell"

Having been imprisoned for 2½ years [as part of the Convention Army], having as a result lost their positions under Sir John Johnson's [loyalist] command, "and being unwilling to eat the Bread of Idleness, or become a Burthen on Government", seeking some provision "in a way wherein they may be actively employed in Promoting the good of his Majesty's Service"

173. [no date]

Memorial of Captain Hutcheson Dunlop of the 53rd Regiment of Foot to Haldimand

Recommending that Robert Duke be commissioned as an ensign, filling the position vacated by the promotion of Ensign Manuel Latham to lieutenant on April 17, 1779 [see also document 186]

174. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Donald McDonell of the 84th Regiment to Haldimand

Being in bad health, seeking permission to sell his commission and retire from the service

175. [?] 1780

Memorial of Ensign Humphrey Arden of the 34th Regiment to Haldimand Seeking a promotion to lieutenant and wondering whether "his Zeal and Attention as Adjutant can be any way conducive to the disciplining the 2nd Battalion"

176. [no date]

Memorial of Surgeon's Mate Henery Stiles of the 34th Regiment of Foot to Haldimand

Surgeon Davidson of the 84th Regiment having resigned, seeking promotion to that position [for the cover letter pertaining to this memorial, see document 165]

177. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant Richard Browne of the 31st Regiment to Haldimand

Claiming rightfully to be a captain, requesting that general orders include recognition of this rank

178. [no date]

Memorial of Deputy Commissary General Fleetwood Parkhurst to Haldimand

Seeking a leave of absence to go to England because of his bad health and to attend to "the great distress occasioned to his Family by his long absence from them"

Military and provincial memorials addressed to General Frederick Haldimand, 1782-1783: 32 documents with dates from December 2, 1781 through October 15, 1783 (printed page numbers 245 through 285) 179. December 2, 1781

From Lieutenant James Hunter at Quebec to General Frederick Haldimand, commander of forces in Canada and the frontiers thereof

Seeking appointment to a vacant second lieutenancy in the Royal Artillery, hoping that through "that Channel I may stand a Chance to get into the Corps of Engineers"

180. March 25, 1782

Memorial of Captain Bright Hodder of the 84th Regiment, at Batiscan, to Haldimand

Seeking assistance in settling a dispute over payment for a company he purchased

181. April 21, 1782

Memorial of Captain William Norton of the 44th Regiment, at St. Charles, to Haldimand

Adjutant William Keugh desiring to sell his commission for health reasons, recommending Lieutenant David Stark to purchase it

182. Received May 22, 1782

"Petition of Donald McMullen and Alexander Kenedy", inhabitants of St. Johns, to Colonel Barry St. Leger, commander at St. Johns Seeking protection so as not to be forced to join Sir John Johnson's Corps

183. June 22, 1782

Petition of Captain Lane Edge of the 53rd Regiment to Haldimand "Concerning the Sale of the Ensigncy occasion'd by the sale of his Company"

184. June 23, 1782

Memorial of Captain William Norton at St. Charles to Haldimand Seeking support for Lieutenant Farley of the 44th Regiment's desire to retire from the service and sell his commission because of "his affairs being very much Embarrassed in the West Indies, which requires his presence"

185. June 23, 1782

Memorial of Captain William Norton at St. Charles to Haldimand Recommending Ensign Finlay of the 44th Regiment to purchase Lieutenant Farley's commission

186. July 2, 1782

Memorial of Major John Nairne of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at Isle aux Noire, to Haldimand

Seeking approval for Robert Duke to purchase the ensigncy made vacant by the promotion of Lieutenant Manuel Latham [see also document 173]

187. July 24, 1782

From Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

Enclosing a monthly return [not microfilmed] and a memorial [document 188] on behalf of Ensign Richard Wilmer, who wishes to sell his commission and go home to England; intending to replace Wilmer, who has functioned as the clerk of the regiment, with a sergeant

188. [no date]

Memorial of Nairne to Haldimand

Seeking support for Ensign Richard Wilmer to sell his commission [see document 187]

189. July 3, 1782

Memorial of Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Haldimand Supporting approval of [?] Cochrane to purchase the ensigncy vacated by Lieutenant Robertson

190. August 5, 1782

Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Hope of the 44th Regiment, at Quebec, to Haldimand

Captain Lieutenant Keugh, adjutant to the regiment, having resigned, recommending Lieutenant Nicholas to replace him by purchasing his commission

191. August 25, 1782

Memorial of Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Haldimand Supporting approval for Lieutenant Booker to take a six-month leave of absence, because of "the Critical Situation of his Private Affairs"

192. September 3, 1782

Memorial of Nairne at Isle aux Noix to Haldimand Seeking changes in date for the commissions of Duke and Cochrane to correct an injustice in rankings

193. September 22, 1782

Memorial of Lieutenant Thomas Bennett, adjutant for the 8th Regiment of Foot, at Niagara, to Haldimand Seeking permission to sell his commission to Lieutenant George Armstrong

194. September 24, 1782

Memorial of Ensign Richard Wilmer of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, at Trois Rivières, to Haldimand

Having not been able to sell his commission, seeking urgent permission for a leave of absence to return to England,

195. September 27, 1782

From Brigadier General Allan Maclean at Quebec to Lernoult at Quebec Lieutenant Lauchlan Maclean of the 84th Regiment having been granted and then denied leave to return to Europe a year ago, seeking the commander in chief's approval for him to go this year

196. October 2, 1782

Memorial of Ensign William Savage of the 34th Regiment of Foot, at St. Johns, to Haldimand

Seeking permission, based on seniority, to purchase a lieutenancy in the 29th Regiment

197. October 2, 1892

From St. Leger to Lernoult at Quebec

Providing a glowing character reference on Ensign Savage and enclosing Savage's memorial [document 196]

198. October 2, 1782

From Savage to Lernoult at Quebec

Enclosing a memorial seeking promotion by purchasing the vacant lieutenancy in the 29th Regiment, as well as a leave of absence to return to home [this memorial not microfilmed]

199. [no date]

Memorial of Nairne to Haldimand

Supporting Captain Dunlop's desire for a leave of absence for six months, over the winter, because of poor health; enclosing Dr. Kennedy's certificate of Dunlop's state of health [document 200]

200. October 3, 1782

From Physician General and Inspector at the General Hospital at Trois Rivières

Certifying Dunlap's health, including "stomach complaints" and "epileptic fits"; recommending a milder climate for him

201. October 19, 1782

Memorial of Lieutenant George Brabson of the 44th Regiment of Foot, at Quebec, to Haldimand

Seeking a leave of absence to go to Ireland to resolve financial difficulties or, alternatively, permission to sell his commission to pay his debts

202. October 22, 1782

Memorial of Lieutenant Robert Battersby of the 34th Regiment, at Quebec, to Haldimand

Having had permission for reassignment to England, seeking permission for a leave of absence to travel to England with the fleet

203. October 30, 1782

Memorial of Captain Lieutenant Archibald McLean of the 84th Regiment, at Quebec, to Haldimand

Seeking relief from being restricted to the garrison at Quebec in favor of being allowed to move to Montreal and to have, either there or still in Quebec, the liberty of "going an airing a few miles for Exercise"

204. [no date]

Memorial of Lieutenant and Adjutant Ronald Macdonell of the 84th Regiment to Haldimand

Seeking permission to sell his commission because of ill health, debts, and family concerns

205. February 2, 1783

Memorial of Mate Thomas Prendergast of the General Hospital to Haldimand

Seeking permission to sell his commission because of ill health and the demands of private affairs

206. January 6, 1783

Memorial of Adjutant William Smith of the Corps of Rangers, at the Rangers barracks, to Lieutenant Colonel John Butler Seeking promotion to second lieutenant

207. June 6, 1783

Memorial of Nairne, at Isle aux Noix, to Haldimand Supporting the desire of Captain John Baird for a leave of absence

208. June 6, 1783

Memorial of Nairne, at Isle aux Noix, to Haldimand Supporting the desire of Captain James Wiseman for a leave of absence

209. October 15, 1783

Memorial of Nairne, at Isle aux Noix, to Haldimand Supporting the desire of Lieutenant Booker for a leave of absence

210. October 15, 1783

Memorial of Nairne, at Isle aux noix, to Haldimand Supporting Lieutenant Rogers' desire for a leave of absence to go home to Ireland

Sir Guy Carleton's headquarters order book, New York, Mortier House, and Lefferts House, 1782-1783: 301 documents with dates from May 8, 1782 through November 23, 1783 (printed

page numbers 285a through 482)

[Note: On November 30, 1782 (after document 312), the order book clerk began intermittently entering dates for entries with no substantive content. These have been ignored here.]

[Note: "Headquarters" was at New York from May 8 through June 19, 1782 (documents 211 through 235).]

211. [no date—the back of the title page of the order book, printed page number 285A]

Printed statement: "James Hawkins, No. 8, Well Court, Queen Street, Cheapside, London; All sorts of Stationary Wares; Wholesale Retail & for Exportation"

212. May 8, 1782

Appointments of Brook Watson to be commissary general of stores provisions and Forage for the army in North America; Captain Robert Morse of the Corps of Engineers to be chief engineer of the army; Lieutenant John Rotten of the 47th Regiment to be aide de camp for General Carleton

213. May 11, 1782

Assignments and instructions for Captain Connor of the 16th Regiment and Captain Charles Handfield of the 22nd Regiment [microfilmed twice]

214. May 14, 1782

Assembly of a court martial with Major General Paterson as president; appointment of Captain Conway of the 23rd Regiment to be aide de camp for the commander in chief [microfilmed twice]

215. May 16, 1782

Appointment of Major de Willmousky as aide de camp for the commander in chief and of Lieutenant John Rotten of the 47th Regiment as aide de camp for General Carleton; determination that all applications from officers must come through their regimental commanders; working parties at New York and Brooklyn to be discontinued [mostly microfilmed twice]

216. May 17, 1782

Assembly of the Corps of Guides & Pioneers; baggage and clothing on the Munificence transport to be landed immediately; review of the regiments under Major General Wormb

217. May 18, 1782

Review of troops on Long Island; marching and guard duties; returns due

218. May 23, 1782

Delivering stores to the commissary general; reassignment of the light company of the 40th Regiment from the corps in the district to the regiment; assembly of all men of absent British and provincial regiments; convening of a court of enquiry;

[Note: Document 218 is printed page number 289. Document 219 is printed page number 300. No microfilmed documents have printed page numbers between 290 and 299.]

219. [no date]

"The Commander in Chief has been pleased to renstitute a Board to examine the Public accounts of the Army"

220. May 26, 1782

Use of all wagons on the 28th and 29th; continuation of the court martial;

marching orders

221. May 28, 1782

Feeding of horses; list of promotions approved; more marching orders and boats to assist [microfilmed twice]

222. May 29, 1782

Returns due; troops assigned to Nova Scotia and to Penobscot to embark tomorrow; 84th Regiment, from South Carolina, to embark for Halifax; list of promotions approved [mostly microfilmed twice]

223. May 30, 1782

Appointment of Major Keppel of the 82nd regiment to serve with the 2nd Battalion British Grenadiers; announcement of promotions in the 82nd Regiment

224. June 1, 1782

Matters concerning feeding of the horses

225. June 2, 1782

Prohibiting any effort "to Survey or take any run of the Country or of the Works without Permission in writing from Head Quarters or from the Chief Engineer"; the Pioneers at Kings Bridge to join those in Brooklyn; need to assemble 30,000 fascines [partly microfilmed twice]

226. June 3, 1782

Various marching orders; irregularities in the issue of new provisions; ration of oats [partly microfilmed twice]

227. June 4, 1782 Celebration of His Majesty's birthday

228. June 5, 1782

Suspension of the court martial because one of the prisoners complained "against the Legality of the Court"

229. June 7, 1782

Rules for confining any prisoner; "the use of Venegar being recommended to the Troops during the Hot Weather"

230. June 10, 1782

All regiments to be ready to encamp, leaving barracks buildings and transporting heavy baggage; returns due

231. June 14, 1782

Returns due; all officers of corps are to apply immediately for 40 rounds per man of fresh ammunition; a meeting of quarter masters

232. June 15, 1782

Movement of troops to encampments

233. June 16, 1782

Matters of provisioning the encamped troops; more troop movements

234. June 17, 1782

Matters of personnel for artillery; warning to "pay the greatest attention for the preservation of the Medows & inclosures near their encampments & that no Injury be done to the neighbouring Inhabitants"

235. June 19, 1782

Reassignment of certain officers; a "proof" of cannon scheduled for tomorrow

[Note: "Headquarters" was at Mortier House from June 20 through August 11, 1782 (documents 236 through 252), except on August 3 (document 248), when it was at Lefferts House—see below. Mortier House was in New York and had previously been General George Washington's headquarters.]

236. June 20, 1782 Matters of paying for rations issued by the Commissary General

237. June 24, 1782

Matters of wagons, carts, drivers, and horses and the movement of provisions; announcement of promotions in the 43rd and 63rd Regiments; muster roles due for the Hesse Hanau and Waldeck Regiments

238. June 30, 1782

"All British Officers & Soldiers Prisoners on Parole who are not employed on Service are to hold themselves in readiness to embark for Europe by the first opportunity"

239. July 1, 1782

Major Robert Nollison appointed Wagon Master General of this army; practice scheduled for the artillery at Kings Bridge

240. July 3, 1782

Settling accounts for storages due to the General Hospital; list of the "Regulation of the number of Horses allowed"; list of the "Regulation of Waggons"

241. July 5, 1782

Supplying of horses and wagons; Brevet Major Beckwith appointed aide de camp to the commander in chief; the Hessian artillery will practice; "The Board for the Examination of the Public Accounts will meet every Wednesday at 10 OClock at the House of Lieut Genl Robertson"; a general court martial will convene at Brooklyn; evidence of commission dates to be sent to Captain Adye, deputy judge advocate

242. July 13, 1782

Lieutenant James Dunlop to be captain by purchase, and Ensign John McPherson to be lieutenant by purchase; appointment of Major Wemys of the 63rd Regiment to be an extra deputy adjutant general; accounts for General Hospital storage to be settled with the Purveyer; requests due for regiments with demands for bounty money

243. July 23, 1782

News that prisoners of the Spanish in West Florida and the West Indies have been exchanged

244. July 25, 1782 Orders for encampments

245. July 27, 1782

Supplying fuel and forage only for the army; results from the general court martial with sentences; "It is the Commander in Chiefs order that divine service be performed every Sunday in each British & Provincial Batt."

246. July 30, 1782

No person accountable for public funds is to sit on the Board for the Examination of Public Accounts; those purchasing, keeping, or issuing public stores shall overcharge; Brigadier General Skinner is thanked "for his attention & diligence in securing the Horse Stealers"; Major Upham of the King's American Dragoons appointed aide de camp to the commander in chief

247. August 1, 1782

Joshua Loring, commissary general of prisoners, is the only person with authority to treat for exchanges; convening of court martial in New York

248. August 3, 1782 ["headquarters at Lefferts House] Announcement of promotions in the 16th and 82nd Regiments; Volunteers of Ireland are to be ready to embark "for that Kingdom"; court martial results and sentences

249. August 6, 1782 Marching orders; two captains of the New Jersey Volunteers to serve on the court martial in New York

250. August 7, 1782 Announcements of a promotion in the 33rd Regiment

251. August 9, 1782 Lieutenant Colonel Emmerick appointed to the Adjutant General Department; troop movement orders

252. August 11, 1782 Marching orders for newly arrived troops of the 7th Regiment; sick soldiers on the transports to be examined

[Note: "Headquarters" was again at New York from August 12 through September 18, 1782 (documents 253 through 271).]

253. August 12, 1782 List of promotions received from the War Office in the 17th Dragoons, 16th Regiment of Foot, 17th Regiment of Foot, 22nd Regiment of Foot, 38th Regiment, 64th Regiment, 71st Regiment, 82nd Regiment; list of new colonels by brevet; other appointments and promotions

254. August 14, 1782
The New York court martial is dissolved; promotions in the 84th
Regiment, Garrison Battalion, report by Lieutenant General Lossberg that
none of the Hessians now in the service who were "present at the
Surprisal...at Trenton" in 1776 "have been found Guilty of any
Misdemeanor", and all have been acquitted by a court martial

255. August 18, 1782 Acceptance of Major General Dalrymple's request to resign his commission to return to England

256. August 19, 1782 Convening of a new court martial at New York, with names of members; Brigadier General Abercrombie appointed Quarter Master General to replace Dalrymple

257. August 21, 1782 The court martial under Major Eyre of the 40th Regiment is dissolved

258. August 22, 1782 Announcement of promotions in the 3rd, 16th, 17th, and 71st Regiments

259. August 23, 1782
Regulations for the drawing of rations for general officers and their servants, wives, and children; regulations for the movements of recruiting parties who "come from distant Districts"; results and sentences from Major Eyre's court martial; dispositions of prisoners

260. August 25, 1782 Recommendation to officers to "disencumber themselves of all unnecessary Bagage and Horses"; Lieutenant James W. Cooke of the 37th Regiment appointed an extra assistant deputy adjutant general; Company of Black Pioneers attached to the Corps of Guides and Pioneers; Rev. Mr. Brown appointed chaplain for the British Grenadiers;

negrois

261. August 28, 1782

"The Commander in Chief is highly pleased with the good order observed in the Evacuation of Savannah"; public thanks to Brevet Major Coffin of the New York Volunteers

262. August 29, 1782 Thanks to Lieutenant Colonel Thompson and the officers of the King's American Dragoons

263. August 30, 1782 Announcing promotions in the 64th Regiment

264. September 1, 1782

Request for returns of those sent on board armed vessels; wagons to be apportioned at the rate of one wagon for every 100 men

265. September 2, 1782
Marching orders for several detachments; party to be assembled to dig wells for encampments
September 5, 1782
Marching orders for various detachments

266. September 7, 1782

Requesting information on the number of casks needed to dig the wells; returns requested for officers belonging to absent regiments

267. September 10, 1782

The latest court martial is dissolved; flat boats available to corps "for the conveyance of supplying themselves from New York by the East River"; splitting the 71st Regiment into two regiments, including companies at Newfoundland, with lists of officers; "The Men taken Prisoners at Boston in the 1776 are to be struck of the Strength of the Regiment except such as have notified their Situation & are now actually in Captivity."; officers in the second 71st Regiment are "to prepare to go to Europe by the first opportunity."

268. September 13, 1782 Marching orders

269. September 14, 1782

Request for return "of all the Negroes arrived from Savannah in the last Fleet distinguishing those that are Private Property & specifying the Persons they belong to"

Negrous

270. September 16, 1782

Orders for officers of the regiments in the Southern Districts to apply to embark on ships that will leave on Wednesday

271. September 18, 1782

"General Orders will in future be given out at Head Quarters at Lefferts House at 10 OClock"; returns due at Provost House near the Light Dragoon encampment; two orderly sergeants requested for headquarters and three mounted orderlies for the adjutant general at Provost House

[Note: "Headquarters" was at Lefferts House from September 19 through November 1, 1782 (documents 272 through 296). Lefferts House is located near modern-day Prospect Park in Brooklyn.]

272. September 19, 1782 Desertions should be reported promptly to the adjutant general

273. September 21, 1782 Lieutenant Colonel Fox "appointed to act as Brig'r General till further Orders"; brigadier generals to appoint their own brigade majors; marching orders

274. September 23, 1782 Announcement of appointments

275. September 24, 1782 Southern District officers to embark today; appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Martin of the Royal Artillery to act as Brigadier General

276. September 25, 1782 News of promotions received from the War Office for the 17th and 82nd Regiments

277. September 29, 1782 Marching orders

278. September 30, 1782 Announcing a promotion in the Royal Artillery

279. October 4, 1782 Colonel Musgrove of the 40th Regiment appointed to act as Brigadier General

280. October 5, 1782 Lieutenant General Campbell's orders: thanking the Right Wing of the Army for its "fine appearance and Military behavior Yesterday in the Field"

281. October 7, 1782 Announcing a promotion in the 60th Regiment

282. October 9, 1782 Announcing promotions in the 70th and 74th Regiments; winter clothing available for the troops

283. October 11, 1782 Announcing a promotion in the Royal Artillery; returns of clothing requested

284. October 12, 1782 Meeting of those having recruits at Halifax; returns of foreign troops are due

285. October 13, 1782
Announcing promotions in the 33rd and 63rd Regiments and the 4th Battalion of the 60th Regiment; request from the adjutant general for information on volunteers in the service, including their time in service and where they actually are

286. October 14, 1782 Announcing promotions in the Royal Artillery and 42nd and 60th Regiments; Surgeon John Lorimer appointed to act as inspector of regimental hospitals

287. October 16, 1782 Ensign John Kortright of the 16th Regiment approved to be lieutenant in the 7th Regiment, by purchase; the troops on York Island to receive one day's provisions on Sunday, October 20, at 10:00 AM

288. October 18, 1782 A general court martial to convene, members listed

289. October 19, 1782 Recruits at Halifax to be sent for immediately; distribution of clothing

290. October 20, 1782

Clothing for the new recruits to be collected and reported; donated legging cloth to be distributed based on returns requested of the number of effective and present sergeants, drummers, and rank and file

291. October 22, 1782 Returns requested accounting for public provisions brought from Europe and not purchased

292. October 26, 1782 Donald Smith appointed by purchase an ensign in the 2nd Battalion of the 84th Regiment

293. October 29, 1782 A hospital board will assemble in New York each Monday morning; a court martial will convene in New York

294. October 30, 1782 Appointing Colonel Parr to be colonel of the Nova Scotia Volunteers; announcing a promotion in the 4th Battalion of the 60th Regiment

295. November 1, 1782 Assignment of quarters for the sick; moving to winter quarters; announcing appointments

296. November 1, 1782 Lieutenant General Robertson's orders: orders for garrison quarters for officers

[Note: "Headquarters was back at New York from November 4, 1782 through November 23, 1783 (documents 297 through 511).]

297. November 4, 1782

Provincial troops to submit the same kinds of returns as British troops; an inspection of the state of clothing to be made and reported, "Specifying the Good Bad & deficient of each Article" 298. November 5, 1782

Lieutenant General Robertson's orders: orders concerning billets for officers and incoming recruits; marching orders for detachments and provisions

299. November 6, 1782 One day's fresh provisions to be issued to the troops on Wednesday

300. November 7, 1782 A board to meet every Saturday to examine claims of officers for payment of losses of baggage

301. November 10, 1782 Mr. Gregory West appointed acting apothecary to the General Hospital; returns requested of subalterns serving without pay; returns due of officers and their pay

302. November 13, 1782

Meeting set to discuss the division off money arising from captures made in the Chesapeake; Peter Durant appointed to act as deputy commissary of Prisoners during Mr. Loring's six-month leave in Europe

303. November 16, 1782 Annual money to pay for forage to be given to the quarter master general

304. November 18, 1782 Announcing promotions in the 38th Regiment

305. November 19, 1782 Results and sentences of a court martial; this court martial is dissolved; request for returns of deserters

306. November 22, 1782
Report of a board on supplies necessary to be sent to prisoners in
Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia; these are cheaper to obtain from
Europe than to purchase in America; foreign troops will make their own
preparations for supplies for their prisoners

307. November 23, 1782 Lieutenant General Robertson's orders: general officers commanding districts requested to provide returns of pickets needed, and the number of men in each picket, for the purpose of providing fuel for them

308. November 25, 1782 Announcing a promotion in the 3rd Regiment

309. November 26, 1782 Noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates who are prisoners will be furnished with a pair of donated woolen leggings each; warrants for payment of bounty money due to several regiments are available at the Pay Office

310. November 27, 1782 A court martial will convene next Monday; list of members; Edward Brannon, under sentence of death, is granted respite until December 17

311. November 28, 1782 Returns requested on number of prisoners qualifying for and wishing woolen leggings

312. November 29, 1782

Accounting for supplies to be submitted for the period through December 31; sick soldiers wishing to return to England or Ireland should report to the Hospital Board for examination before the next convoy sails for Europe quite soon; returns requested for the number of men, women, and children desiring to sail on the convoy

313. December 2, 1782 Clothing and necessaries for prisoners to be packed up immediately and sent to the quartermaster general

314. December 4, 1782
Request for returns of the number of horses "belonging to the King that should be cast"; instructions to follow on assembling them for inspection; "No soldiers who are fit for Service, to be taken to Europe except such as are Prisoners on Parole"

315. December 6, 1782 Announcing promotions in the 22nd Regiment 316. December 9, 1782

Announcing promotions in the 30th, 3rd Battalion of the 60th, and 80th Regiments and the Garrison Battalion

317. December 11, 1782

Requesting returns of the number of guards needed and the number of rooms needed in each regimental hospital

318. December 12, 1782

Announcing a promotion in the 2nd Battalion of the 84th Regiment; request for returns of stationery needed by officers entitled to it

319. December 16, 1782

Announcing promotions in the 3rd Battalion of the 6oth Regiment; a court martial to assemble on Thursday morning; all going to Europe in the fleet to embark by 10:00 Tuesday morning the 17th; orders for the embarkation of "invalid" troops; Edward Brannon's execution respited until January 1

320. December 17, 1782

Muster rolls due for 183 days from June 25 through December 24

321. December 19, 1782

Announcing promotions in the 17th Dragoons and second 71st Regiment

322. December 21, 1782

Results and sentences of a general court martial; remains of late Lieutenant Saltonstall of the 23rd Regiment to be interred tomorrow

323. December 23, 1782

List of promotions received from the War Office, including promotions in the 38th, 71st, and 82nd Regiments; a list of leaves of absence of officers from the 7th, 63rd, 64th, and 71st Regiments; announcing promotions in the 23rd and 54th Regiments

324. December 30, 1782

A picket guard of dragoons will parade each morning with the guards of the garrison

325. January 4, 1783

Marching orders; troops arriving from Charleston

326. January 5, 1783

Bounty money available upon application to the adjutant general's office; returns requested for troops arriving from Charleston

327. January 6, 1783

Results and sentences from a court martial; this court martial dissolved; marching orders

328. January 7, 1783

Marching orders for several detachments

329. January 8, 1783

Major Ernest Frederick Diemar appointed fort major of the fort at Brooklyn

330. January 9, 1783

Announcing promotions in the 63rd Regiment; orders for the issuance of public stores; use of oil lamps in place of candles for guard and barrack rooms; marching orders; Ensign Campbell of the second 71st Regiment to attend a court of enquiry concerning a "complaint for Irregularities"

Committed in the Street"; necessity to include officers on leave in monthly returns

331. January 10, 1783 Returns due for troops arriving from Charleston

332. January 12, 1783 Returns due for provisions, fuel, and forage for the garrison troops

333. January 14, 1783 Announcements of two promotions by purchase, in the 4th Battalion of the 60th Regiment and the Royal Garrison Battalion; accounts due from the "Heads of Departments belonging to the late Southern Army"

334. January 15, 1783 A court martial to assemble in New York; names of members listed;

335. January 18, 1783 Guns to be fired to celebrate Her Majesty's birthday; forage money to be available; thanks for good conduct during the evacuation of Charleston of Lieutenant General Leslie; a board to assemble on the 20th "to examine into such Matters as shall be laid before it"; members named in list; schedule for submitting returns for fuel and forage

336. January 19, 1783 Major Trail of the Royal Artillery having become ill, Major Graham is ordered onto the board in his place

337. January 20, 1783 Requests for returns from several regiments

338. January 23, 1783 Returns for provisions, fuel, and forage are in the future to be sent to the commandant's office

339. January 25, 1783 Marching orders; corps recently arriving from Charleston to submit returns for unfilled needs for donated legging cloth; stationery available

340. January 27, 1783 Procedures for weekly requisitions for provisions, fuel, and forage, including blank form to be used

341. January 28, 1783 Results and sentences from a court martial, including one pardon and two men sent back to their regiments; having learned that church bells from Charleston were brought to New York in the evacuation, orders to collect these and any other public or private property of the inhabitants to be returned by ship to Charleston; announcing promotions in the 3rd and 7th Regiments

342. January 30, 1783 Request for a report on conditions in the Provost prison, including the need for supplies; in the case of the death of any prisoner, an immediate coroner's inquest to be conducted, with report to the commander in chief; sick and wounded prisoners in the Provost to be attended to by the Surgeon of the General Hospital, with removal of seriously ill prisoners to the hospital; need for a noncommissioned officer in each corps to receive men discharged from the hospital each Wednesday and Saturday

343. January 31, 1783 [misdated December 31] Execution date for William Anderson

344. February 1, 1783

General court martial called for February 10, members and accused are listed

345. February 5, 1783

Several courts martial set, including one for "James, Dick & Frank, Negroes, accused of attempting to Burn a House"

negroes

346. February 6, 1783

Subsistence for recruits at Halifax not to be drawn in New York

347. February 7, 1783

Orders for upcoming general court martial

348. February 8, 1783

Accounts of men in each regiment to be settled by February 23; Ensign Johnson of the 35th Regiment reassigned to the 37th Regiment

349. February 9, 1783

Results of court martial against Captain Abraham DePeyster of the Kings American Regiment—honorably acquitted

350. February 15, 1783

Appointment announced in the 3rd Battalion of the 60th Regiment; inspection and muster of provincial forces scheduled for February 28

351. February 18, 1783

Making claims for property withheld because of offences; request of list of names of people in recently changed positions in the various departments; announcement of the collection of military and other books the property of the late lieutenant commander of the 42nd Regiment

352. February 19, 1783

Woolen leggings requested by troops arriving from Charleston available upon application to the Commissary General's storekeeper; results and sentence of court martial of Lieutenant William Conroy of the Prince of Wales American Regiment; court martial dissolved; returns due

353. February 21, 1783

Results of several courts martial and sentences; a work party to assemble at the "Burnt Church" for duty to be assigned by the Chief Engineer

354. February 23, 1783

Appointment of Captain Stapleton of the 17th Dragoons to be an extra deputy adjutant general

355. February 24, 1783

A general court martial to be assembled; members listed

356. February 25, 1783

Results of several courts martial and sentences; announcement of several appointments; limits on activities of persons employed to receive or pay public money

357. February 27, 1783

Instructions for all officers to exercise the men so that they are ready for parade duty

358. March 3, 1783

Brigadier General Marsh ordered to investigate "Divers irregularities committed by [his] troops on Staten Island" and to punish the offenders; results and sentences of several courts martial; general court martial

dissolved

359. March 4, 1783

Preparation for embarkation of the 82nd Regiment, Brunswickers, and the 1st Battalion of the Hesse Hanau Regiment; unemployed Commissary General Department officers allowed to return to England

360. March 8, 1783

Warrant for bounty money for several regiments available for payment at the Pay Office

361. March 10, 1783

Announcing a promotion in the 43rd Regiment

362. March 14, 1783

The Commissary General to be ready to visit his department at Nova Scotia and in Florida and Bermuda "if the season will permit" to settle and adjust their accounts; being no longer a public accountant, he will join the Board of Accounts; other accounting orders

363. March 19, 1783

Receipt of letter from Charles Gould of the Horse Guards, dated November 22, 1782, concerning the court martial acquittal of Colonel Cosmo Gordon of the 3rd Regiment of Foot

364. March 21, 1783

List of promotions and leaves of absence received from the War Department, including promotions in the 7th, 17th, 37th, 54th (with lists of names), 40th, 23rd, 80th, 48th, and 43rd Regiments; troops and staff of the late garrison at Charleston may receive their "Batt & Forage money"

365. March 22, 1783

Results of several courts martial on Staten Island, the accused found not guilty and released; the court martial dissolved

366. March 23, 1783

A new general court martial to assemble in New York; members listed

367. March 27, 1783

No one allowed within British lines without a passport from the commandant; Brigadier Marsh having obtained leave to return to Europe, Brigadier General Bruce to take over his command at Staten Island; the 40th Regiment to occupy the barracks being evacuated by the 54th Regiment; announcement of a promotion by "His Serene Highness the Prince of Hess"

368. March 28, 1783

Appointment of new court martial members because of an objection against nine original members; new members listed

369. March 30, 1783

A court martial result—not guilty

370. March 31, 1783

A board appointed to investigate claims that payments due to officers are not properly available; nine more members of the court martial objected to and replaced with nine new members; names listed

371. April 1, 1783

"Necessaries" to be provided to several men in the General Hospital; officers and men belonging to regiments in East Florida are to join them immediately

372. April 2, 1783

Two more objections having been made to members of the court martial, two captains from the Royal Artillery and 17th Dragoons respectively are to be selected as new members

373. April 4, 1783

Lieutenant General Robertson having received permission to return to England, several personnel shifts announced to cover his duties; announcement of a promotion in the 33rd Regiment

374. April 6, 1783

Announcing a promotion in the 80th Regiment; request for information about prisoners in several corps held by the enemy

375. April 7, 1783

Proclamation: news of the cessation of arms to be read at City Hall at 12:00 tomorrow; "His Majesty has thought proper to direct that the several Corps formed in America Mentioned in the Margin hereof be placed on the British Establishment from the 25th December, 82 inclusive"; lists of newly established corps with their numbers of various officers and troops; list of promotions and leaves of absence received from the War Office, including those in the 38th, 63rd, and 74th Regiments and the 4th Battalion of the 60th Regiment

376. April 8, 1783

Lieutenant Colonel Turnbull to replace Colonel Robinson on the board investigating pay claims

377. April 9, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 7th Regiment and 54th Regiment

378. April 11, 1783

Announcement of appointments

379. April 12, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 4th Battalion of the 60th Regiment and the "Kings A Reg't"

380. April 14, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the Royal Artillery and 57th Regiment

381. April 15, 1783

Orders to embark for the 82nd Regimen, Brunswickers, and men of the 1st Battalion of Hesse Hanau; order that the 7th Article of the "Provisional Treaty between Great Britain & the United States of America, be Strictly attended to & complied with", concerning the protection of American property, including Negroes

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382. April 17, 1783 Announcement of appointments

383. April 19, 1783

"Guards in Garrison are to send out constant patrols, both day & Night, which are to apprehend all persons committing irregularities"; appointing British and American persons to supervise all embarkations "to see that the above stipulations [about enforcing Article 7] are strictly observed"

384. April 21, 1783

"All Recruiting, British & Provincial, to be discontinued till further Orders"

385. April 23, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 54th Regiment

386. April 28, 1783

As part of enforcing Article 7, "all Archives, Records, Deeds & Papers belonging to any of the said States or their Citizens...shall be forthwith restored & delivered to the proper States & Persons to which they belong"

387. April 29, 1783

A hospital board to assemble every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; announcement of promotions in the Garrison Battalion, British Legion, Queens Rangers, and 38th and 54th Regiments

388. May 2, 1783

Brigadier General Martin appointed president of a board "for examining into the Claims of the Inhabitants against Officers for Debts"; list of corps and departments not having submitted their provision returns

389. May 4, 1783

A board of commissioners appointed to receive and examine all claims for "Properties Supplied to the British Army & Officers in the several Public Departments, since the 19th day off April 1775"; members named

390. May 5, 1783

A general court martial to assemble; marching orders for the 63rd and 64th Regiments

391. May 8, 1783

The remains of Captain Cooke of the 37th Regiment to be interred

392. May 11, 1783

Results of two courts martial with sentences

393. May 12, 1783

Announcing promotions in the 37th Regiment

394. May 13, 1783

Appointment of David Sproat Esq. as Deputy Commissioner of Prisoners in place of Mr. Peter Dunant

395. May 14, 1783

Several English deserters have been pardoned but are not to be allowed to serve again in the army; recommendation to "Kick all such Rascals out of their Quarters should they have the Impudence to come in among them"; announcement of promotions in the 22nd and 37th Regiments; marching orders for several Regiments; announcement of more promotions in the 74th and 82nd Regiments

396. May 17, 1783

Alterations in the ration of provision "on the next Issuing Days", "One Pound of Flour or Bread, Twelve ounces of Pork, or Twenty one of Beef without the small Species[?]"

397. May 19, 1783

Returns due by commanding officers "of the Number of Prisoners that have joined them"

398. May 21, 1783

Sailing of the packet delayed

399. May 22, 1783

Names of members of the board to supervise all embarkations

400. May 23, 1783

Court martial result—acquittal

401. May 25, 1783 Marching orders for several regiments

402. May 26, 1783

Orders for invalids and discharged men to settle their accounts and prepare to go to Europe; those others wishing to go to Europe should apply; court martial results and sentences; court martial dissolved -health

403. May 27, 1783

All officers not on duty to return to their regiments; invalids to report immediately to Captain Handfield

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404. May 28, 1783

All horses to be "turn'd to grass on Tuesday, the 3'd June, after which no Dry Forage will be issued except to Gen'l Officers & their Aide De Camps"; grazing areas to be allotted

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Three captains assigned to investigate "all matters respecting Hosp Stoppages, which Dr. Mallet Purveyor of ye Gen'l Hosp shall lay before them"; appointments because of leaves of absence; announcement of manhunt for Carl Broiske of Colonel Lossing's Battalion of Hessian Grenadiers, "who absconded yesterday afternoon & took with him the Sum of £340 Sterling" belonging to the battalion

405. May 31, 1783

Request that commanding officers of the 70th and 74th Light Companies and 30th Regiment settle their hospital stoppages

406. June 1, 1783

Plans for the anniversary of the king's birthday

407. June 2, 1783

Embarkation returns are requested for the departing Hessian troops

408. June 3, 1783

List of promotions received from the War office in the 7th, 17th, 37th, 40th, 54th, 57th, 3rd Battalion of the 60th, 71st, 74th, 76th, 80th, and 87th Regiments, including lists of names and leaves of absence; regiments sending invalids to Captain Handfield should assign another person to conduct them

409. June 6, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 23rd Regiment

410. June 9, 1783

The 38th and 40th Regiments are to furnish one captain each for a general court martial, replacing two members, one going to England and the other "indisposed"; returns of furniture and utensil money for 1783 to be reported immediately to the Barrack Master General's Office

411. June 10, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 22nd and 57th Regiments

412. June 11, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 40th and 3rd Battalion of the 60th Regiment

413. June 12, 1783

Court martial result and sentence

414. June 13, 1783

Muster rolls requested from several detachments of Hessian troops

415. June 15, 1783 Announcement of promotions in the 37th Regiment

416. June 16, 1783

Orders to officers for returning houses and lands lately evacuated to their proprietors or attorneys, "unless where they may see sufficient Reason for retaining them some time longer"

417. June 18, 1783

Request for all general officers and others under General Carleton's command to provide copies of "all orders they have given out since the 5th of May 1782"

418. June 19, 1783

Results and sentences from a court martial of several people conducted in St. Augustine, East Florida

419. June 20, 1783 Practice by the Royal Artillery scheduled

420. June 21, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 40th, 57th, and 4th Battalion of the 60th Regiments

421. June 22, 1783

Results and sentences of a court martial; muster schedule for troops of various Hessian regiments

422. June 24, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the Garrison Battalion

423. June 25, 1783

Discontinuation of the hospital board to examine invalids

424. June 26, 1783

Inspection and muster for provincial forces scheduled for June 30

425. June 27, 1783

Instructions for who to include or not include in returns through July 1

426. June 30, 1783

Remains of Lieutenant Pattershall of the 17th Dragoons to be interred

[Note: new copybook begun on July 1, 1783]

427. July 1, 1783

Adjutant General's Office moved to 17 Broadway

428. July 2, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 17th Dragoons and the 23rd, 33rd, 37th, 38th, 60th, 64th, 76th, 82nd Regiments; list of leaves of absences

429. July 4, 1783

Corps that have demands for subsistence for men who have been prisoners of war are to provide abstracts

430. July 5, 1783

Spring returns of arms and accourrements are requested; court martial result—acquittal; invalids again to be sent to Captain Handfield; a fleet will sail for Canada on Wednesday

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431. July 7, 1783

Marching orders for certain Hessian troops

432. July 8, 1783

A general court martial to assemble, members listed

433. July 9, 1783

Court martial results and sentences; the court martial dissolved

434. July 11, 1783

Replacement member for a court martial replacing a member who is sick

435. July 12, 1783

Orders for troops and baggage of certain Hessian regiments for embarkation

436. July 14, 1783

Announcement of a promotion in the King's American Regiment

437. July 16, 1783

Returns for "200 days Batt & Forage Money" requested "as soon as possible" from the Hessian regiments

438. July 21, 1783

Request again for returns from the Anspach Hessian troops

439. July 22, 1783

Court martial results and sentences; court martial dissolved

440. July 23, 1783

A court martial will assemble

441. July 25, 1783

Four days of biscuit will be issued to the troops

442. July 28, 1783

Announcements of promotions in the 33rd, 37th, and 42nd Regiments

443. July 29, 1783

Officers of several regiments to meet at Franklin House at the head of Newton Creek to mark out group for encampments; marching orders to the encampments; orders that "The strictest attention is to be given that no part of the Property of the Inhabitants be in the smallest degree injured"; the Ansbach troops to be ready to board their ship

444. July 30, 1783

Remaining Ansbach troops to be ready to board ship

445. August 1, 1783

Announcement of a promotion

446. August 2, 1783

Brigadier General Clarke to command the British and British American troops encamped near Newton Creek, reporting to Lieutenant General Campbell; the Provost Martial to order patrols to discover any destruction of inhabitants' property

447. August 4, 1783

Other Hessian troops to be ready to embark; their returns for "Batt & Forage Money for 1783" requested immediately; announcement of promotions in the Royal Garrison Battalion

448. August 5, 1783

Marching orders for the 40th and 37th Regiments

449. August 8, 1783 A general court martial to assemble, members listed

450. August 10, 1783 Marching orders for several Hessian regiments

451. August 14, 1783

Any clothing in possession of the regiment but belonging to the men to be delivered to them immediately; plans for removing artillery and ordnance stores from outposts

452. August 15, 1783

List of promotions received from the War Office in the 17th Dragoons and 47th, 37th, 3rd Battalion of the 60th, 70th, 76th, and 82nd Regiments; leaves of absence

453. August 17, 1783

Instructions [written verbatim] from King George, dated June 9, 1783, for further reduction of forces in North America by 1) disbanding the 3rd and 4th Battalions of the 60th Regiment, the 2nd Battalion of the 84th Regiment (the Royal Highland Emigrants), and four corps commanded by Edmund Fanning and Lieutenant Colonels Robert Donkin, Banister Tarleton, and Colonel Graves Simcoe and by 2) reducing the strength of several regiments of foot commanded by Lieutenant Generals George Morison, Earl Cornwallis, Sir Eyre Coote, Moises [?] Frederick, and John Campbell plus the 1st Battalion of the 42nd or Royal Highland Regiment commanded by General John Murray; an accurate muster to be conducted before the disbandings and reductions; noncommissioned officers and private men to be paid off and commissioned officers offered half pay; making sure that the accounts of all these persons are "fully satisfied and paid their arrears, Stoppages, Bounty and all other pretensions"; ensuring that all arms and ordnance stores are returned by the men; allowing all noncommissioned officers and private men to take with them their clothes and a knapsack; providing passage to Europe for all commissioned officers and as many others as possible, along with their wives and children; providing 14 days of subsistence for each person (28 days for those who live in Ireland or Scotland), to be reduced for those choosing to remain in North America; accurate lists to be provided of all those taking passage to Europe

Detailed plans to implement the King's orders to disband some and reduce other regiments, including lists of remaining officers by regiment; a special offer of 200 acres for noncommissioned officers and 100 acres for private men among those reduced in Nova Scotia who wish to settle there

454. August 13, 1783

Marching and embarking orders; returns requested from the British American Regiment of clothing due the men previous to the present year

455. August 19, 1783

Subsistence abstracts and embarkation returns are due immediately from the British American Regiment

456. August 20, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 38th, 3rd Battalion of the 60th and 70th Regiments; Brigadier General Musgrave appointed commandant of the City of New York due to Brigadier General Birch's leave to go to Europe; "The new Establishment of the British Corps ordered to remain in this Country is to take place from the 25th Ins't"; inspection and muster of

British American forces to occur on August 22

457. August 21, 1783 Results and sentences of several courts martial

458. August 22, 1783 Marching orders; "List of Leaves of Absence granted by His Majesty"; the current court martial will assemble again

459. August 23, 1783 Announcement of promotions in the 37th Regiment

460. August 24, 1783
Result of a court martial—not guilty and released; marching orders; quarter masters of several regiments to meet concerning certain errors in their returns; announcement of promotions

461. August 26, 1783 Instructions for parading

462. August 27, 1783 Remains of Major General Hackenberg to be interred; results of a court martial—acquittal

463. August 28, 1783 Announcement of a promotion

464. August 30, 1783 Several items concerning courts martial

465. August 31, 1783 Muster and embarkation orders

466. September 2, 1783
Announcement of promotions in the 17th Dragoons, 70th Regiment, and King's American Regiment; the board of claims of inhabitants against officers is dissolved

467. September 4, 1783 New rules for stoppages for provisions; those being discharged interested in enlisting in a British regiment in Nova Scotia "are permitted to join them immediately"; men of the British American Regiment wishing to go to Europe should settle their accounts immediately

468. September 6, 1783
Announcement of promotions in the 74th Regiment and British Legion Cavalry; returns due for those being discharged; battalions of Delaney's and Maryland Loyalists to have their baggage at Brooklyn; their embarkation returns due immediately

469. September 7, 1783 Announcement of promotions in the Queen's Rangers

470. September 8, 1783 Those embarking for Nova Scotia to report to Lieutenant Colonel de Weber of the Prince of Wales's American Regiment

471. September 11, 1783 Announcement of a promotion in the King's American Regiment

472. September 15, 1783 Announcement of promotions in the 17th Regiment of Foot, the 4th Battalion of the 60th Regiment, and the 2nd Battalion of the 84th Regiment

473. September 16, 1783

When the British and British American Regiments are disbanded in St. Johns, Nova Scotia, they will become regiments of militia with the same officers and ranks

474. September 17, 1783

Requesting a listing of men wishing discharges and wanting to settle in Nova Scotia; their accounts to be closed in readiness to embark

475. September 18, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 74th Regiment

476. September 21, 1783

Results and sentences of court martials, including one pardon; the company of artillery going to Newfoundland to embark tomorrow; the hospital board to meet to examine invalids from several regiments

477. September 26, 1783

Embarkation orders for British and British American Regiments discharged men to embark according to the distribution in an accompanying table

478. September 27, 1783

Troops at New York and "Posts depending" to be ready to embark; returns for these troops are due; forage to be discontinued in a short time; officers advised to dispose of horses; list of number of carriages and horses allowed; other orders pertaining to horses and wagons

479. September 28, 1783

List of militia companies for those going to Nova Scotia

480. September 29, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 74th Regiment; seniority within ranks to be continued as before in the militia companies

481. September 30, 1783

Men on returns of those capable of making wood axes are ordered to go to Major Mollison, Wagon Master General as soon as possible

482. October 2, 1783

Announcement of a promotion in the 7th Regiment

483. October 3, 1783

Confirmation of appointment by Major General Matthews of Lieutenant Laird of the 54th Regiment; guards to be vigilant against goods being carried off and destroyed

484. October 4, 1783

Lists of detachments to embark on ships with orders for their and their baggage's embarkation

485. October 5, 1783

Marching orders for several regiments; orders concerning pay for those going to Nova Scotia; returns due for their new militia companies; announcement of promotions by "His Serene Highness the Landgrave of Hesse"

486. October 6, 1783

Additional embarkation orders for those going to Nova Scotia and their baggage; announcement of promotions in the 57th and 80th Regiments

487. October 8, 1783

A general court martial to assemble, with assignments of members

488. October 9, 1783

A bounty having been announced for sergeants, a return of sergeants is requested

489. October 10, 1783

Those embarking to go to Nova Scotia will consider themselves under orders to their new militia companies; list of the companies; orders for embarkations of the men going to settle at Port Roseway, Nova Scotia; additional embarkation orders

490. October 12, 1783

Returns by name of those from several regiments going to England requested, including women and children

491. October 15, 1783

Result of a court martial-acquittal

492. October 16, 1783

Embarkation orders with list of regiments sending men back to England

493. October 17, 1783

Results and sentences of a general court martial, including acquittals

494. October 20, 1783

Colonel Wormb to take command of the posts at Kingsbridge and McGowan's Pass

495. October 21, 1783

Half-yearly contingent accounts are due immediately

496. October 23, 1783

Embarkation returns are due

497. October 25, 1783

Marching orders for grenadiers to McGowan's Pass; a list of carpenters requested

498. October 27, 1783

Abstracts for pay are due immediately

499. October 29, 1783

Orders for continuing subsistence to certain officers

500. November 1, 1783

General court martial dissolved

501. November 2, 1783

The usual returns for forage money arte due immediately

502. November 4, 1783

Announcement of promotions in the 17th and 80th Regiments

503. November 5, 1783

Sick men who cannot be cared for in their own regiment to be taken immediately to the hospital; regiments entitled to baggage carts should requisition them; marching orders for Hessian and 38th Regiments

504. November 9, 1783

Discontinuing the issue of stationery from the Adjutant General's Office

505. November 15, 1783

Returns requested of coopers in each regiment

506. November 17, 1783

Announcement of a promotion in the 40th Regiment; return requested from regiments "who had necessaries embezzled last winter whilst going from Wilmington to their Prisoners at Lancaster"

507. November 18, 1783 Marching orders for the 80th Regiment

508. November 19, 1783 Marching orders for several regiments

509. November 20, 1783

Those with warrants should apply to be paid before the 22nd, when "the Pay Office Books will be closed & no further Business transacted"; request for officers to provide information on their ongoing needs for guards; inhabitants are warned to use lanterns when out at night, as guard patrols will be deployed

510. November 21, 1783 Hospital accounts to be settled immediately; marching orders for the 43rd Regiment

511. November 23, 1783

"The Town is to be evacuated on Tuesday the 25th Instant"; orders for evacuation

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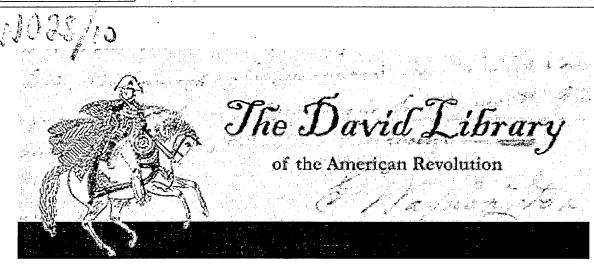
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Swain Report Special: War Office 28, Regimental HQ Papers, Installment 9

In this final installment of his on-going catalog of British War Office 28 (Miscellaneous Regimental Headquarters Papers from Canada), Library Research Assistant David Swain probes the returns of various Loyalist Corps, along with miscellaneous letters and records relating to the Indian Department. As with the other parts of this series, these documents serve a vital role in filling in the gaps in our understanding of British operations launched from Canada. The returns of Loyalist Corps in particular offer a means for understanding how the British Army struggled to incorporate Loyal Americans who fled to Canada and offered their military service. The Loyalist experience here was in marked contrast to the main British Army operating in the 13 more southerly colonies, as has been discussed in a previous entry. The records for the Indian Department provide an equaly important portal into the experience of another marginalized group of British combatants: the native tribes who kept their allegiance to Britain, along with the British Officers and Loyalists who worked closely with them. The remaining documents provide insights into the demographic composition of British and German units in the theatre, as well as general operations.

Our sincere thanks go to David Swain for making this collection of material more accessible than it has ever been, and we hope our readers will embrace this opportunity to engage with these sources.

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28.10 Miscellaneous returns, letters, and papers; Indian Department (Reel 8)

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28.5 King's Royal Regiment of New York, Rogers' King's Rangers, Barrack Master General's Department (reel 3-second part, 33 documents; reel 4, 147 documents)

28.6 General Hospital Department; garrison returns; Engineers Department (reel 5—first part, 204 documents)

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28.9 Memorials and petitions; General Sir Guy Carleton's New York headquarters order book (reel 7, 511 documents)

28.10 Miscellaneous returns, letters, and papers; Indian Department (reel 8, 263 documents)

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documents consecutively within each reel. These numbers do not appear on the microfilm and are used here only to maintain a sense of order in the contents.

"Letterbooks" among these documents are not actually bound books but are folders of separate-page letters kept at the time by regiments. The microfilm copies of these letters are mostly in chronological order, with a few exceptions. Apparently at a later time, archivists added consecutive printed numbers to the letter pages within each part. These printed numbers are noted in this list for each letterbook or document set.

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Returns relating to loyalists—John Peters' Queen's Loyal Rangers, Ebenezer Jessup's King's Loyal Americans, Sir John Johnson's 2nd Battalion, Daniel McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, 1777-1778: 57 documents with dates from January 30, 1777 through October 15, 1778 (plus an outlier document dated in November 1781 or 1783) (printed page numbers 1 through 65)

1. January 30, 1777

"A List of the Loyalist's from the Province of New York Sworn before me at Point Clair" with certification that all men listed had taken the oath of allegiance to the King; signed by John [?] Gray

2. June 13, 1777

"Battalion of 600 men divided into Eight Companies"; Mr. Peters', and Mr. Jessup's battalions to be called the Queen's Loyal Rangers and the King's Loyal Americans, respectively

3. September 8, 1777

Copy of a letter from Brigadier General Samuel Fraser to [?] Concerning pay, supplies, and organization for the two new loyalist battalions

4. [October 1777]

"Roll of Captain Hugh Munro's Company with the time each was in the Batteau Service"

5. October 14, 1777

"Abstract of Captain Hugh Munro's Company for their Extra pay as Batteau men while in Said Service between 12th August and 14th October 1777"; total balance due is £162.7.8

6. November 1, 1777

"Monthly Return of His Majesty's the King's Loyal Americans Commanded by Lieut. Colonel Ebenezer Jessup"; signed at Ticonderoga by Jessup

7. November 1, 1777

"Monthly Return of His Majesty's the King's Loyal Americans Commanded by Lieut. Colonel John Peters"; signed by Peters

8. November 1, [1777]

"Return of Royalists not Incorporated in any Corps" signed at La Prairie, near Fort George, by H. Dick for the acting commissary of musters [?]

9. December 1, 1777

Monthly return of the Kings Loyal Americans; signed at La Chine by Jessup

10. December 1, 1777

"Monthly Return of Volunteers Commanded by Cap't [Daniel] McAlpin"; signed by McAlpin

11. December 1, 1777

"A Monthly of a Corps of Royalists under the Command of Cap't Sam'l McKay"; signed at Châteauguay by MacKay

12. December 1, 1777

Monthly return of the Queen's Loyal Rangers; signed by Peters

13. December 9 [or 10], 1777

"A Return of Conventioners & Non-Conventioners"; Quebec

14. December 20, 1777

"A Roll of the Officers, Non-commissioned Officers & Privates of Royalists who have Served under General Burgoyne last Campaign, and those who came in for Protection, and those who were taken Prisoners at Bennington, and at Different Places, and Killed, Belonging to the Corps under My Command"; signed at Châteauguay by MacKay

15. December 25, 1777

"Return of the Royalists Quartered at St. Johns and from thence to

Chamble [Chambly] [and at St. Therèse]"; signed at St. Johns by R. Duport

16. [no date]

A List of the Royalist Names at Pointe aux Trembles

17. [no date]

Return of McAlpin's Corps, including women and children, stationed at Nouvelle Beauce

18. [no date]

"A List of Men appointed to receive Officers Pay under my Command, and of Mr. Adams & Eight Men who have not Join'd any Corps"; not signed [commander not identified but may be MacKay]

19. January 1, 1778

Monthly return of the Corps of Loyalists under MacKay; signed at Châteauguay by MacKay

20. January 1, 1778

Monthly return of the King's Loyal Americans; signed at La Chine by Jessup

21. January 1, 1778

Monthly return of the Queen's Loyal Rangers; signed at La Chine by Major Ludork [?] Wright

22. [January 22, 1778]

Copies of two lists identifying families for whom rations were being provided by voucher; signed by Jessup; also signed by Sir John Johnson [microfilmed twice]

23. February 1, 1778

Monthly return of the Queen's Loyal Rangers; signed at La Chine by Peters

24. June 1, 1778

Monthly return of the seven companies of Loyal Regiment of Volunteers; signed by MacKay

25. [June 10, 1778]

"A Return of the Royalist and Families under the Command of Capt. Sam'l Adams"

26. June 11, 1778

"Return of Royalists not Incorporated in any Corps remain' in my district", compiled at Montreal, including families, where quartered, where from, and remarks

27. June 16, 1778

"Return of the Families Calling themselves Loyalists Quartered at St. Johns St. Therese & Chamble"; signed by R. Duport at St. Johns

28. June 16, 1778

"Weekly State of the Kings Loyal Americans"; signed at Sorel by Jessup

29. June 17, 1778

Return of McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, including women and children; signed at Quebec by McAlpin [microfilmed twice]

30. June 24, 1778

Return of Peters' Corps, including loyalists and their families drawing provisions in Canada and where stationed; signed at New Lorette [now Loretteville, near Quebec] by Captain James French

31. June 26, 1778

"Return of Royalists how Draws Provisions with Mr. McKay's Corps"; signed at "Clarkburg" [location not clear] by William McKay

32. June 26, 1778

"A List of Royalists at Beauport"

33. July 25, 1778

A list of "The poore distressed Loyalists belonging to the late Mr. Pfisters Corps to whom His Excellency General Carleton was pleased to promise them discharges"; signed at Quebec by John MaComb

34. July 28, 1778

"Return of the Officers belonging to the Corps of Lovalists raised by the late Col'l Francis Pfister of Hosack, by whom Nominated, or appointed. and when they Joyn'd"; signed at Charlebourg [near Quebec] by Captain Robert Leake

35. August 1, 1778

Monthly return of the King's Loyal Americans; signed at [New] Lorette [near Ouebec] by Jessup

36. August 1, 1778

Return of the seven companies of the Loyalist Regiment of Volunteers raised by Pfister and commanded by Samuel MacKay; signed by Leake

37. August 1, 1778

Return of the loyalists commanded by Captain Samuel Adams; signed by Adams

38. August 3, 1778

"Return of Arms and Accoutremt's Wanting to Compleat Cap't McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers"; at Quebec

39. September 3, 1778

"Return of the different Corps that march'd from Quebec 25th July 1778 under the Command of Lieut Colonel John Peters"; signed at Isle aux Noix by Lieutenant William Fraser

40. September 4, 1778

"Names of the Men belonging to Capt. McAlpin's Corps"; at Isle aux Noix

41. September 13, 1778

"List of Capt Adams Company men and followers of the army", at Machiche

42. September 13, 1778

"List of the men Belonging to Collonel Jessups Corps and followers of the army"; at Machiche [microfilmed twice]

43. September 13, 1778

"List of the followers of the Army Belonging to Coll Peters Corps"; at Machiche

44. September 14, 1778

Return of the different corps that marched from Quebec under the command of Peters at Isle aux Noix; signed by William Fraser

45. September 26, 1778

Return of the Detachment arriving yesterday from St. Johns, belonging to Captain McAlpin's camp at Sorel; signed by Lieutenant Thomas Fraser

46. October 11, 1778

"A List of Capt. Jeremiah French's Company in the 2nd Batallion of the

Kings Roy'l Regt of New York"; signed by French and by Lieutenant [?] [microfilmed twice]

47. October 11, 1778

"A Return of Captain Edward Jessups Comp'y of the second Ba[tallion] of the [Roy]al Regiment of New York"; Signed at Sorel by Edward Jessup; proof table attached [manuscript pages cut, distorting the text]

48. October 12, 1778

Return of Captain Jonathan Jones' Company of the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed at Sorel by Jones, Lieutenant William Samson, and Ensign William Mann

49. October 11, 1778

A list of Captain Leake's company in the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed by Leake, Lieutenant William McKay, and Duncan Cameron

50. October 11, 1778

Return of Major McAlpin's company in the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed by Captain Lieutenant David Jones

51. October 11, 1778

List of Captain Hugh Munro's company; signed at Sorel by Munro, Lieutenant William Fraser, and Ensign John Peters

52. October 11, 1778

Return of Captain John Peters' company in the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed at Sorel by James Parrot, Captain John Peters, and Ensign Andrew Peters, absent; proof table attached

53. October 11, 1778

Return of "Cap't S B Company" under Lieutenant Robison's command; at Sorel

54. October 11, 1778

Return of Captain Christian Wehr's company of the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed at Sorel by Wehr, Lieutenant MacCarran, and Engineer John Diesenberg

55. October 11, 1778

A list of Captain Wilkinson's company of the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed by Wilkinson, Lieutenant Israel Maniz [?], and Ensign Harmon Best

56. October 15, 1778

"Present State of the Second Battl'n of the Kings Royal Regt of NY Commanded by Lieut. Colonel Sir John Johnson"; signed at Sorel by William McKay

57. November 18, 1781 [or 1783] [out of chronological sequence] "List of the Provincial Troops in Canada Serving under His Excellency General Frederick Haldimand"; [later marked "duplicate" in pencil]

58. [no date]

Note on the disposition of men and officers (most were dismissed) in three companies of Canadians employed with Burgoyne's army in 1777

Returns relating to loyalists—Captain Daniel McAlpin's Corps of Volunteers, 1779: 2 documents with dates of October 1 and November 1, 1779 (printed page numbers 66 through 68) 59. October 1, 1779

Monthly return of McAlpin's Corps of the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed at Sorel by McAlpin

60. November 1, 1779

Monthly return of McAlpin's Corps; signed at Sorel by McAlpin

Returns relating to Loyalist Corps, 1780: 28 documents with dates from June 2 through December 14, 1780 (printed page numbers 69 through 110)

61. June 2, 1780

Return of the Engineer Department in McAlpin's Corps stationed at Nouvelle Beauce; signed at Quebec by Sergeant Duncan McGregor

62. August 1780

"Return of the Officers of the different Corps of Loyalists, & the Pensioners, Commanded by Major [John] Nairn[e]"; signed by Nairne; with "The Recapitulation" (numerical summary)

63. September 12, 1780

From Nairne at Montreal to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec

Enclosing a return of officers of the different corps of loyalists [document 60]; suggesting that these officers be organized into "one Corps or Batt'n of ten Companys, with a Company of Gentlemen pensioners" suggesting "point au Lake and Nicolette, or at Verchere" as the location for the headquarters; promising another return with names of those not attached to any corps

64. October 1, 1780

Monthly return of the different corps of loyalists commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

65. October 11, 1780

"List of the Families arrived at S. Johns the 9th October inclosed in [Captain] R[obert] Leake's Letter of the 11th"; [letter not microfilmed]

66. October 24, 1780

"A List of the Officers, Sergeants, Corporals Drums & Private Men of the Kings Loyal Americans, Commanded by Ebenezer Jessup Esq.", including a numerical recapitulation

67. November 1, [1780]

Return for October of "Persons who came in from the Colonies"; signed at St. Johns by Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger

68. November 23, 1780

"Major Nairnes Orders proposed for the better managing the Royalists"; reorganizing the "several Crops of Ebenezer Jessup's Esq'r, John Peters Esq'r, the late Major MacAlpin's, The remainder Cap't Leake's, and Lieut Adams" into 10 new companies, to be commanded by Ebenezer Jessup, Peters, Edward Jessup, Jonathan Jones, Justus Sherwood, Peter Drummond, William Fraser, John Wehr, John Ruyter, and Gershon French respectively

69. November 30, 1780

Monthly return of Loyalists by name and dates of arrival from the colonies; signed at St. Johns by St. Leger

70. November 1780

Monthly return for November of loyalists commanded by Nairne; signed

by Nairne

71. December 1, 1780

"Roll of Mr. Peter Drummond's Company of Royalists"; signed at Verchères by Nairne

72. December 17, 1780

"A List of the Names of those men Suposd to have the Best Claime to the first committions of the first Companies in the Queens Loyal Rangers who are to be appointed for the Present and who are not prisoners"; signed at Quebec by Peters and Sherwood

73. [no date]

"Determinations by the Board of Officers held at St. John's on the diff't Corps of Royalists"

74. December 1780

Monthly return for December of the different corps of loyalists commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

75. [no date]

"A List of such of the Loyalists [under the command of Captain McAlpin] as are judged to be rated above their deserts, and it is humbly submitted to his Excellency to reduce them to the Sums Opposite to their respective Names p'r Muster"

76. [no date]

"Effective Roll of Captain Edward Jessups Company of Loyal Americans"; "Effective Roll of Captain Jonathan Jones' Company"; "Capt. Ebenezer Jessups Company"; "A List of Twenty Seven Men which was at Montreal & Lately joined Jessups Party"

77. [no date]
"List of Loyalists proposed to form a Company of Artificers, with their Stations and Corps, as now marked on the Engineers Checque Book"; "List of Artificers belonging to Capt'n Leakes Company who are very usefull, in the engineers Department, and in General are not equally qualified for Soldiers"

78. August 10, 1780

"A Sumary Return of the Different Corps of Loyalists at Machiche"; signed by Allan McDonell

79. August 10, 1780

"A Return of Men Women And Children Belonging to Capt Adams Corps of Loyalists at Machiche"; signed by McDonell

80. August 10, 1780

"A return of men Women and Children Belonging to Coll Jessups Corps of Loyalists at Machiche"; signed by McDonell

81. August 10, 1780

"A Return of Men Women and Children Belonging to the Diseased Major McAlpins Corps of Loyalists at Machiche"; signed by McDonell

82. August 10, 1780

"A Return of Men Women and Children Belonging to Capt Peters Corps of Loyalists at Machiche"; signed by McDonell

83. August 10, 1780

"A return of men Women and Children at Machiche not Attachd to Any Corps"; signed by McDonell

84. [no date]

"A List of Men belonging to the Kings Rangers Commanded by Major James Rogers in Canada for Which he is Intittled to draw the King's Bounty at 5 Dollars p man"; a total of 182 men and a total calculated bounty of £212.6.8; signed by Rogers

85. [no date]

"A List of all such Officers as were nominated to serve in [?] Jessup's Corps with remarks on the situation of the Corps and each mans pretentions that are now in the Corps agreeable to a Return...with their wishes to be formed into Companies agreeable to that Return"; [detailed four-page list]

86. December 1, 1780

Present state of loyalist corps commanded by Ebenezer Jessup, exclusive of those serving in the 84th Regiment, Sir John Johnson's Regiment, and the late Major McAlpin's Corps; signed at Verchères by Jessup

87. December 14, 1780

"State of Lieut. Colonel John Peters's Corps raised by order of His Excellency General Sir Guy Carleton"; signed at Quebec by Peters [a three-page word description of the actions of the corps from the summer of 1777 and the status of individuals serving in the corps]

88. December 14, 1780

Return of Peters' Queens Loyal Rangers, including officers and privates "who are free of all disputes or claims that may be made of them by any other Corps"; signed at Quebec by Peters [seven pages]

Returns relating to Loyalist Corps, 1781: 20 documents with dates from January 1 through December 1, 1781 (printed page numbers 111 through 130)

89. January 1, 1781

"Monthly Return of the Different Corps of Royalists in Canada Commanded by Major John Nairne"; signed by Nairne

90. February 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

91. March 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne [right side of torn sheet; see document 91 for the left side]

92. [no date]

"Alterations since last Return"

93. March 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne [left side of torn sheet; see document 89 for the right side]

94. April 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

95. May 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

96. June 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by

Nairne

97. June 1, 1781

Monthly return of loyalists' names and dates of arrival from the colonies; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger, commander of the district of St. Johns

98. July 1, 1781

Monthly return of loyalists' names and dates of arrival from the colonies; signed at St. Johns by St. Leger

99. July 14, 1781

"Remarks upon the following Corps of Royalists mustered at Verchere; signed by Lieutenant Alexander Campbell; contains remarks are about the fitness of individuals listed for service

100. August 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

101. September 1, 1781

Monthly return of loyalists' names and dates of arrival from the colonies; signed at St. Johns by St. Leger

102. September 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

103. October 1, 1781

Monthly return of loyalists' names and dates of arrival from the colonies; signed at St. Johns by St. Leger

104. October 1, 1781

Monthly return of the King's Rangers; signed at St. Johns by Captain Henry Ruyter

105. October 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

106. [no date; received November 7, 1781]

Monthly return of loyalists' names and dates of arrival from the colonies; signed by Captain David Forbes, 34th Regiment

107. November 1, 1781

Monthly return of the loyalist corps commanded by Nairne; signed by Nairne

108. December 1, 1781

Monthly returns of Edward Jessup's Corps, a company of invalids commanded by Lieutenant Colonel John Peters, a company of gentlemen pensioners commanded By Ebenezer Jessup, and an independent company of loyalists commanded by Sir Jonathan [?] Walter Myers; signed by Nairne

Returns relating to Loyalist, Regular Army, and Brunswick Regiments, 1782: 18 documents with dates from January 1 through December 13, 1782 (printed page numbers 131 through 175)

109. January 1, 1782

"General Return of the Country, Size, Age & time of Service, of the men of His Majestys Forty Fourth Regiment of Foot, Commanded by General James Abercromby, Including Sergeants, Corporals, and Drummers"; signed at St. Charles by Captain William Norton, commander of the 44th Regiment

110. January 1, 1782

"Size roll of Capt Peter Drummonds Company of Loyal Rangers"; signed at Verchères by Drummond

111. December 25, 1781

Roll of the names, country, size, age, and time of service for the company of lovalist rangers commanded by Captain William Fraser; signed at Yamaska by Fraser

112. January 1, 1782

Size roll of Major Edward Jessup's company; signed at Verchères by Edward Jessup

113. January 1, 1782

Return of names, country, age, size, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Captain Jonathan Jones' Company of Loyal Rangers; signed by Lieutenant Alexander Campbell

114. January 1, 1782

Return of names, country, age, size, and time of service of noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Captain John Jones' Company of loyalist rangers; signed at Verchères by Jones

115. [no date]

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the loyalist company commanded by Captain John William Meyers

116. January 1, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates in Lieutenant Colonel Peters' Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Verchères by Peters

117. January 1, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the detachment of King's Rangers quartered at St. Johns; signed by Major James Rogers

118. January 1, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the 1st Battalion of King's Royal Regiment of New York commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Johnson, including sergeants, corporals, and drummers; signed at Isle Jésus by Major John [?] A. Gray

119. January 1, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the 29th Regiment commanded by Lieutenant General William Evelyn; signed at La Chenaye by Major Christopher Carleton

120. January 1, 1782

General returns of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants, corporals, drummers, and privates of the 34th Regiment, including Lieutenant General Lord Frederick Cavendish's Company, Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger's Company, Major Robert Mays' Company, Captain George Churchill's Company, Captain Samuel Steel's Company, Captain Alexander Fraser's Company, Captain David Forbes' Company, and Captain William Wood's Company

121. January 31, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the 53rd Regiment of Foot; signed at Pointe aux Trembles by Captain H. Dunlop

122. January 12, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the 84th Regiment of Foot commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Allan Maclean; signed at Batiscan by Major John Adolphus Harris

123. January 1, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery in Canada; signed by Lieutenant Colonel Forbes Maclean

124. February 17, 1782

Size roll of Captain Justus Sherwood's Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Verchères by Lieutenant James Parrot

125. December 13, 1782

Lists of sergeants, corporals, drummers, and privates of the 31st Regiment of Foot; signed at Pointe aux Trembles, including Colonel Clark's Company, Lieutenant Colonel French's Company, Major Cotton's Company, the Grenadier Company, Captain Green's Company, Captain Hays' Company, Captain Donaldson's Company, Captain Brown's Company, Captain Ravenhill's Company, and the Light Infantry Company

126. December 13, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the 31st Regiment of Foot commanded by Major General Thomas Clarke; signed at Pointe aux Trembles by Lieutenant J. French

Returns relating to Loyalist, Regular Army, and Brunswick Regiments, 1783: 38 documents with dates from December 30, 1782 through April 25, 1783 (printed page numbers 176 through 281)

127. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Captain Peter Drummond's Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Drummond

128. [no date]

Roll of Captain William Fraser's Company of Loyal Rangers; signed by Fraser

129. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Captain Thomas Fraser's Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Ensign William Samson

130. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Major Edward Jessup's Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Jessup

131. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Captain Jonathan

Jones' Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Lieutenant David Jones

132. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Captain John Jones' Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Jones

133. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Lieutenant Colonel John Peters' Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Ensign John Peters

134. January 21, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the detachment of the King's Rangers commanded by Major James Rogers quartered at St. Johns; signed by Rogers

135. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the Captain Justus Sherwood's Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Lieutenant James Parrot

136. January 21, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the King's (or 8th) Regiment of Foot commanded by Lieutenant General Bigoe Armstrong; signed at Niagara by Lieutenant Colonel A. [?] Dundas

137. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the 29th Regiment of Foot commanded by General Sir William Evelyn; signed at St. Johns by Major Alexander Campbell

138. January 1, 1783

Returns of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants, corporals, drummers, and privates of the 34th Regiment, including Lieutenant General Lord Frederick Cavendish's company (signed at Niagara by Major Robert Hayes), Lieutenant Colonel Barry St. Leger's Company (signed at Niagara by Hayes, Major Robert Hayes' Company (signed by Hayes), Captain William Ancrum's Light Infantry (signed at Fort Erie by Hayes), Captain George Churchill's Company (signed at Carleton Island by Churchill), Captain Samuel Steel's Company (signed by Hayes), Captain Alexander Fraser's Company (signed at Fort Schlosser by Hayes), Captain David Forbes' Company (signed at Niagara by Hayes), and Captain William Wood's Company (signed at Niagara by Hayes)

139. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants, corporals, drummers, and privates of the 44th Regiment of Foot, commanded by Major General Charles Rainsford; signed at Quebec by Lieutenant Colonel Henry Hope

140. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants, corporals, drummers, and privates of the 53rd Regiment of Foot, signed at Isle aux Noix by Major John Nairne

141. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants, corporals, drummers, pipers, and privates of the 84th Regiment of Foot, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Allan Maclean; signed at Carleton

Island by Major John Adolphus Harris

142. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants. corporals, drummers, and rank and file of the detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery in Canada; signed at Sorel by Lieutenant Colonel Forbes Maclean

143. January 11, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants. corporals, drummers, and privates of the 1st Battalion of the Kings Royal Regiment of New York, commanded by Sir John Johnson; signed at Terre Bonne by Major James Ray [?]

144. January 22, 1783

Returns of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants, corporals, drummers, and privates of the troops commanded by Prince of Anhalt, (listed by "État Major" plus 19 companies, 2 corps, and artillery); signed at Rivière Ouest by Lieutenant Colonel and commander George de Rauschenblat [written in French]

145. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Lieutenant Colonel de Barnes' Brunswick Regiment, de Barnes' Company; signed at Montreal by de Barnes

146. December 30, 1782

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of de Barnes' Brunswick Regiment, Captain Thomas' Company; signed at Montreal by Compagn

147. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Captain John W. Meyers' Company of Loyal Rangers; signed at Rivière du Chêne by Meyers

148. January 1, 1783

Returns of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the Brunswick Regiment of Dragoons (4 companies, identified as "Esquadrons", stationed at St. Antoine and St.-Charles-sur-Richelieu (both near Montreal); the third signed at St. Charles by Major de Meiborn [?]

149. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the Brunswick Regiment, Captain Adolph Diterich's Company; signed at Chateau Richer (near Quebec) by Diterichs [written in German]

150. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the Brunswick Regiment, Captain von Tunderfeldt's Company; signed at St. Anne by Lieutenant Ernst Christian Schroeder [written in German]

151. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the Brunswick Regiment, Lieutenant Colonel von Hille's Company; signed at St. Joachim (near Quebec) by Captain Jacob Christian Lander [written in German]

152. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the Brunswick Regiment, Lieutenant Colonel Chretien Jules Praetorius' Company; signed at Ange-Gardien (near Quebec) by Praetorius [written in German]

153. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the Brunswick Regiment, "Leib Compagnie"; signed at St. Famille (near Quebec) by Captain Rosenbery [written in German]

154. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Lieutenant Colonel de Barnes' Brunswick Regiment, Captain A. F. Dommes' Company; signed at Montreal by Dommes

155. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of de Barnes' Brunswick Regiment, Captain de Geusau's Company; signed at Montreal by de Geusau

156. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of de Barnes' Brunswick Regiment, Captain Schottelius' Company of "Chasseurs"; signed at Montreal by de Schottelius

157. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of the Brunswick Regiment, Major General Frederick von Riedesel's Company; signed at Sorel by de Captain Harbord

158. January 1, 1783

Returns of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of Major General de Rhetz' Brunswick Regiment, including four companies; signed at St. Denis by Major and Commander of the Regiment Bayeu de Leicke [?]

159. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of von Riedesel's Brunswick Regiment, Captain Thorgenstern's Company; signed at Sorel by Thorgenstern

160. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of von Riedesel's Brunswick Regiment, Captain de Pollnitz' Company; signed at Sorel by Lieutenant Morgenstern

161. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of von Riedesel's Brunswick Regiment, Captain de Speth's Company; signed at Sorel by Ensign de Meiborn

162. January 1, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of von Riedesel's

Brunswick Regiment, the "Compagnie Vacante"; signed at Sorel by Captain Ettr Girswald [?]

163. January 21, 1783

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the noncommissioned officers, drummers, and privates of an artillery corps commanded by Major Perusch; signed at St. Nicholas (near Quebec) by Perusch

164. [no date; received April 25, 1783]

Return of names, country, size, age, and time of service of the sergeants, corporals, drummers, and privates of the 2nd Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York; signed by Major John Ross

Miscellaneous letters, 1778-1783: 25 documents with dates from April 10, 1778 through December 18, 1783 (printed page numbers 282 through 321)

165. April 10, 1778

From Lieutenant Andrew Robinson of the 20th Regiment at Ile d'Orleans to General Sir Guy Carleton, commander in chief Requesting a "License or Permission to be called in Church with a young Lady of this Town"

166. April 25, 1778

From Robinson at Orleans to Carleton at Quebec Renewing his request for permission to marry, having received no response

167. June 7, 1778

From Robinson to Captain Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant general, at Quebec

Seeking 10 days of leave consistent with orders from Captain Powers

168. June 7, 1778

From Robinson to Le Maistre

Note enclosing Captain Powers' letter [see document 171]

169. June 8, 1778

From Robinson at Quebec to Carleton

Resigning his commissions with complaints of having been passed over by younger officers [enclosed with document 168]

170. June 8, 1778

From Robinson to Le Maistre

Cover letter for Robinson's enclosed letter of resignation [document 167]

171. June 8, 1778

From Robinson to the Commander in Chief

Expressing a feeling of acute distress; bitterly laying blame on the commander in chief and on him alone for having deprived him (Robinson) of happiness; denying that he was neglecting his duties

172. July 6, 1778

From Robinson at St. Laurent (near Montreal) to Le Maistre at Quebec Explaining his absence without leave to "settle some affairs of the most delicate nature"; admitting having "a mistaken notion, that my being absent so short a time, would not be attended with any bad Consequences" but now finding himself subject to arrest; seeking assistance in resolving the situation

173. June 1, 1778

From Captain Bolton Power at St. Laurent to Robinson at Quebec Instructing him to embark with the 20th Regiment's clothing and baggage for New York, "where you will be inform'd whether it is proper for you to go further, if the Regm't is not Exchangd"; instructing him to apply to the commander in chief for leave to go out of the province [enclosed with document 166]

174. March 26, 1778

From Simon Metcalfe at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Having been asked to provide two copies of a map of the north end of Lake Champlain, explaining that he will have time to complete only one, and inquiring about the support and protection promised by Carleton for him, his family, and his farm

175. August 1, 1778

From Metcalfe at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting having received a passport from Brigadier General Henry Watson Powell to go to his home at Plattsburgh; seeking permission to cut some timber to repair his house there

176. October 29, 1778

From Metcalfe at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Renewing request for financial support and protection; reporting having delivered the promised map

177. November 8, 1778

From Conrad Gregg at Machiche to Le Maistre at Quebec Concerning the capture of deserters from Captain Ziebling's company

178. December 18, 1778

From Joncaine Cooper at Chambly to [? probably Le Maistre] Concerning her husband, Thomas Cooper, clerk of artillery stores at Chambly, who apparently is a "Canadian prisoner" [written in French]

179. [no date]

"Copy of the Paper transmitted by General Phillips"
"List and Names of Persons recommended by Messieurs [Captains]
Mackay, Monin, and Boucherville to be Officers to their respective
Companies" in the Canadian Corps; signed by H. L. C. [?]

180. February 11, 1779

From Metcalfe at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Although thankful for Le Maistre's efforts on his behalf, stating that an "allowance" offered him is insufficient to satisfy his petition for support and protection

181. July 26, 1779

From A. Corbin at Sorel to [?]

Offering thanks for a visit from and good words by the person to whom the letter is addressed that were well received [written in French]

182. March 13, 1780

From Metcalfe at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Having heard of an exchange of prisoners, still seeking both payment on his petition and permission to leave Canada for his own country

183. October 17, 1780

From Charles [Lieutenant?] Tonnancour at Trois Rivières to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Reporting having captured two deserters, named John Cook and Alexander Fraser, but stating that the season makes it impossible to transport them [written in French]

184. December 5, 1780

From Tonnancour at Trois Rivières to Le Maistre at Quebec Providing further information about Cook, Fraser, and 12 other deserters [written in French]

185. June 2, 1782

From Tonnancour at Montreal to Lernoult

Seeking permission to join Butler's Corps as a lieutenant and to pursue a career in the King's service [written in French]

186. August 4, 1782

From Tonnancour, with Butler's Rangers at Niagara, to Lernoult at Quebec Requesting assistance in being approved for a vacant first lieutenancy [written in French]

187. October 27, 1783

From Captain Gertet de Rouville [?] at Montreal to [? Le Maistre] Concerning his joining either the 84th or 8th Regiment [written in French]

188. October 8, 1783

From Lieutenant Tonnancour at Trois Rivières to Lernoult at Quebec Concerning deserters [written in French]

189. December 18, 1783

From Rouville at Montreal to Lernoult
Acknowledging receipt of orders [written in French]

h Original letters delivered to Brigade Major Skone [Shane?] by Major Alexander Fraser, June 25, 1785: 34 documents with dates from November 18, 1784 through August 28, 1785 (printed page numbers 322 through 373)

[Note: Documents in this section are not microfilmed in chronological order.]

190. March 1, 1785

From Lieutenant W. B. Sheehan at Carleton Island to Brigade Major Alexander Fraser, at Montreal

Enclosing a state of the garrison and of the Naval Department; seeking an extra allowance of five shillings per day for extraordinary expenses as commander of the post

191. November 18, 1784

"Artificiers &c Employed as follows in the Engineers dep't at this Post, Cataraqui"; signed by John Clunes, clerk of the checque

192. January 15, 1785

From Major William Potts at Cataraqui to Fraser at Montreal Concerning numerous administrative matters at and news from a post in the "upper country," which he considers "purgatory"

193. August 28, 1785

From Potts to Fraser

More about his perceptions of military life at Cataraqui, thoughts on the contrasting "bustle" in England, and more

194. February 28, 1785

From Neil McLean at Cataraqui to Fraser, Secretary to the Commander in Chief

Expressing views on his military life at Cataraqui; "The Superintending the Loyalists in this Dictrick is no easy task My friend! They are both needy and unruly"; "It has been a great Disapointment to the Settlements in General that the Said Wheat sent here last fall did not arrive here in time &

I hope it will not be the same with the Seeds promised in the Spring."

195. March 1, 1785

From Potts at Cataraqui to Fraser

More detailed administrative matters and news

196. March 14, 1785

From Potts at Cataragui to Fraser

More administrative matters and news, including matters concerning Indian tribes

197. March 24, 1785

From Alexander McKee, deputy superintendent of Indian affairs, at

Detroit, to Fraser

Concerning relations with the "Western Indians", including the possibility of recruiting some of them into the King's service

198. March 24, 1785

From McKee, at Detroit, to Mr. Dease, deputy superintendent of Indian affairs [at Niagara?]

Extract of the letter

Reporting that a meeting had occurred between Americans and Western Indians at Fort McIntosh, 30 miles below Pittsburgh, similar to an earlier one at Fort Stanwix.

199. May 26, 1785

From Henry Hay at Detroit to Fraser at Quebec

Presenting greetings from his father [Governor Jehu Hay] and reporting that monthly returns for the garrison have been sent "regularly when wer opportunities offered"

200. January 30, 1785

From Fraser at Montreal to Captain Henry Rudyerd

Concerning payment for bricks made at Sorel for government use

201. May 31, 1785

From Fraser at Montreal to Major Monsell commander of the 2nd Division of the 29th Regiment

Orders to relieve garrisons at Cataraqui, Carleton Island, and Oswegatchie

202. June 19, 1785

From Fraser at Montreal to Monsell

Letter accompanying arrival of newly appointed barracks master Mr. Sparham

203. June 19, 1785

From Fraser at Montreal "To the Commanding Officers of the Several

Posts in the Upper District of Canada"

Ordering the commanding officers to cooperate with upcoming inspections of fortifications and public buildings at the posts

204. February 23, 1785

From John Dease at Niagara to Fraser

Providing information, and commenting about the lack of information. about Indian affairs in the Fort Stanwix area; predicting that these Indians "probably will be reduced to the same Situation of the New England Indians"; reporting little news of interest from Detroit

205. April 10, 1785

From Lieutenant George Armstrong at Niagara to Fraser

Reporting on behalf of Lieutenant Colonel Arent De Peyster that general orders of February 7 and 10 have been received, and returns will be sent 206. April 19, 1785

From Dease at Niagara to Fraser

Reporting that the Americans are making efforts "to Detach the Indians from our interest, both by threats & promises"; reporting that "Congress Commissioners" had met with Indians at Sandusky on about March 21; enclosing an abstract of a letter from Mr. McKee [may be document 196]

207. May 13, 1785

From De Peyster at Niagara to Fraser

Reporting compliance with an order to send a detachment under Captain David Forbes' command to relieve the garrison at Oswego, which will depart as soon as the harbor is cleared of ice

208. May 30, 1785

From De Peyster at Niagara to Fraser

Reporting intent to comply with order to move "down" men from the King's Regiment but stating that it will take some time because some of them are at Detroit and others at Cataraqui

209. May 30, 1785

From Captain William Ancrum at Niagara to Fraser at Montreal News concerning deserters, recruits, prisoners, the current reduction that "does not look much like war, which I am sorry for"; reporting that "The men of your Company have been guilty of committing several Robberies again this year, so that at all parts of the Province our Reg't will have a most shocking character"

210. June 7, 1785

From Ancrum at Niagara to Fraser

Reporting the regiment being almost complete, after the reduction; acknowledging receipt of orders "for the removal of our Quarters on the King's Regim't having reliev'd"

211. June 9, 1785

From Ancrum at Niagara to [? probably Fraser]

Acknowledging receipt of information about relief of the King's Regiment by the 34th Regiment; reporting that Forbes' detachment has gone to Oswego and that Captain Steel's company is at Carleton Island; seeking information about quarters and command at Detroit

212. June 10, 1785

From Captain A. Beauclerk at Niagara to Fraser

An inquiry about his rank as captain "en second"; letter enclosed [document 211]; stating that he believes he does not qualify for "en second" despite receiving it

213. March 17, 1785

Copy of a letter from Mr. Lewis at the War Office to Mr. Edmund

Clarifying that the two youngest captains, lieutenants, and ensigns as of June 24, 1783 are on half pay; "the two in each rank next above them are en second" [enclosed with document 210]

214. June 11, 1785

From Ancrum at Niagara to Fraser at Montreal

Concerning Beauclerk's assertion that he does not qualify for "en second"; recognizing that he is probably right, however, "as it was done by the two former Commanding Officers I wou'd not Take upon me to alter it and I believe all the other Regiments return their Seconds different from us"; requesting that the matter be laid before the commander in chief

215. May 15, 1785

From Forbes at Oswego to Fraser

Announcing his detachment's arrival at Oswego; will send requested returns as soon as able

216. May 23, 1785

From Forbes at Oswego to Fraser

Enclosing requested the present state of the garrison and a return of ordnance stores; reporting having sent Corporal Rauch of the 34th Regiment, accused of trafficking with Americans among other charges, as a prisoner to Niagara [microfilmed twice]

217. June 24, 1784

Copy of letter from R. Mathews to Major Ross, commander at Cataragui Concerning "regulations for the Saw Mill & the benefit to be derived from it by the Loyalists"; leaving it up to Ross to determine how best to accommodate the needs of loyalists from the saw mill and by allowing them to bring in cattle; hoping that the trouble with Captain John Thope [?] has been relieved by the arrival of important loyalist Sir John Johnson; "His Excellency wishes you to gratify them as far as you can within reasonable bounds"

218. May 26, 1785

From Major Edward Williams, commander of the Royal Artillery in Canada, at Quebec, to Fraser

Enclosing the May return for the Royal Artillery [not microfilmed]; reporting that noncommissioned officers of the Royal Artillery are to be stationed at several posts where ordnance stores are deposited; that Sorel, St. Johns, Carleton Island, Isle aux Noix, Oswego, and Niagara already have officers assigned but that Detroit, Cataragui, Oswegatchie, and Michilimackinac do not; making suggestions for reinforcing the detachments of artillery at the upper posts

219. May 30, 1785

From Rudyerd at Quebec to Fraser at Montreal Concerning the repair of barracks and other work

220. May 30, 1785

From Williams at Quebec to Fraser

Requesting leave for Lieutenant Bowater, commander of artillery at Niagara, to meet his wife, who is sailing from England to Quebec

221. June 6, 1785

From Williams at Quebec to Fraser

Reporting on the movements of artillery officers to various posts as ordered

222. June 7, 1785

From Rudyerd at Quebec to Fraser

Every effort is being made to finish repairs to the barracks in time for the expected arrival of a regiment; regretting that his health will not allow him to accompany Captain Mann in visiting the various posts; inquiring whether Major Potts will be paid for the time he spent managing the **Engineers Department**

223. May 27, 1785

From Major I. Lemoine of the Royal Artillery, at Sorel, to Fraser Reporting that no detachments except for the one at Yamaska upper blockhouse send returns to him; reporting having insufficient men to relieve any of them

🖪 Indian Department, letters and papers, 1775-1782 and 1785-1797: 40 documents dated from April 7, 1775 through May 20, 1797 (printed page numbers 374 through 443)

[Note: Documents in this section are not microfilmed in chronological order.1

224. October 1775

Detailed descriptions of conferences of commissioners of Indian affairs from the Continental Congress of the "rebellious colonies" held with representatives of the Six Nations of Wyandots, Delawares, and other Indian tribes at Pittsburgh, dated October 7, October 10, October 14, and October 17, 1775 [two manuscript copies are microfilmed with different handwriting]

225. April 7, 1775

"The United American States, To their Brethren the Delawares at Kaskaskia"

Detailed description of conference, signed at Fort Pitt by George Morgan

226. July 15, 1777

Text of statement by Mr. Soule directed to Indian chiefs [written in French; difficult to read]

227. July 15, 1777

Text of response by the chiefs to Mr. Soule [written in French; difficult to

228. July 16, 1777

Text of statement by the chiefs, with names of several chiefs at end of document; text of response [written in French; difficult to read]

229. May 16, 1777

Texts of speeches between Indians of the Six Nations and Bostonian/Americans and French; "A Copy of a speech sent by Cap't John Johnson"

- Speech by two Onondaga Indians at their village, brought to Boston by Oneida Indians, in which they agree to join the Bostonians against the King, following a route via Lake George to Crown Point
- 🖪 Speech by Bostonians, in which they request that the Six Nations not interfere in the Bostonians' fight against the King
- Speech by a French general, stating that the French have returned [having been gone since 1763] with 55 ships, determined to "kick those usurpers out" of Canada
- Speech by a rebel American general, reiterating the Bostonians' request that the Indians stay at home, in peace, not getting involved in the war between America and the King; warning the Indians against complicity with Colonel Butler at Niagara; "I am now prepear'd to feight with the King and General Schuyler will soon Be from Philadilphia where you will hear the Determination of the 13 Governors"

230. April 21, 1777

"Memoire D'observations" made to General Sir Guy Carleton at Quebec by Paul Des Ruipeaux [?]; may be an intelligence report about the Six Nations and the meetings with the "rebels" [written in French]

231. September 7, 1777

"Return of Parties of Indians sent from Detroit against The Rebells after the 2nd July 1777"; signed by John Hay, deputy agent of Indian affairs and by Governor Henry Hamilton

232. [no date]

"State of pay for the under mentioned Officers Interpreters and others of the Indian Department for 183 days Commencing the 1st June and Ending the 31st of November 1777"; War Office note at end "Pierre Terienne of Nicolet Sergeant of militia Ettienne Gregoire Sergeant of militia parish St. Cuthbert the only Volunteers that remain'd with Major Campbell to the last—"

233. [no date]

"List of the officers, Interpreters, & others of the Indian Department in the Province of Quebec 1777"

234. June 1, 1778

"A List of Colonel Johnson's Department of Indian Affairs" with dates of appointment

235. [no date]

"A List of Colonel Johnson's Department of Indian Affairs" including name, rank, date appointed, age, and country

236. [no date]

"A List of Colonel Johnson's Department of Indian Affairs", including name, rank, date appointed, by whom appointed, age, country, profession, and residence

237. January 26, 1778

From Lieutenant Wills Crofts of the 34th Regiment, at St. François, to Major Francis Le Maistre, deputy adjutant General, at Quebec Promising that he will be on the lookout for any "attempts that may be made against this part of the province"; reporting that parties are being trained to "go out"

238. March 30, 1778

"A Return of the Officers & Rangers of the 5 Nation Indian Departm't in the Province of Quebec, together with their Pay per day, Arrears due to Each"; signed at Montreal by Captain Gilbert Tice

239. May 11, 1778

From Tice at Montreal to General Sir Guy Carleton Concerning pay overdue to men of Johnson's Indian Department, who are suffering as a result and also had not been able to go to Niagara, as ordered

240. May 18, 1778

Tice at Montreal to Le Maistre

Explaining in detail, for Carleton's information, why the Indian Department men had not gone to Niagara, because of military movements

241. [no date]

"State of pay due to the Officers, Interpreters, and Others in the Indian Department from 1st January to 31st May, 1778 both days Inclusive"; signed by Major John Campbell

242. June 22, 1778

From Campbell at Montreal to Le Maistre

Reporting that 84 Indians had arrived from Michilimackinac; desiring to know what to do with them; reporting that eight Ottawa Indians intended for Saratoga had returned to Montreal

243. June 27, 1778

From Campbell at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Informing him of movements by the Department and by Indians, including 65 more who arrived from Michilimackinac

244. June 27, 1778

From Captain Alexander Fraser at Montreal to Le Maistre Reporting on intelligence work by his men among Indians and others who have been in contact with the Rebels; seeking leave to travel briefly to Quebec to see his "friend & Benefactor Gen'l Carleton before he leaves the Province"

245. July 20, 1778

From Campbell at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that about 50 more Indians had arrived, making a total of nearly 570, including women and children, at Montreal

246. July 23, 1778

From Campbell at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Reporting that a search party had returned empty handed

247. August 3, 1778

From Campbell at Montreal to Le Maistre at Quebec Informing the commander in chief that the Michilimackinac Indians were tired and sick and planned to begin their long walk home soon

248. October 25, 1778

From Surgeon Charles Austin of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, at Sorel, to Le Maistre at Quebec Because of widespread illness at his post, seeking a source of medicines

249. October 28, 1778

From Major John Butler at Niagara to Le Maistre Concerning pay for soldiers, the suffering of their families, and examination of the accounts

250. [no date]

A list of members of a Huron family [apparently one of those suffering as mentioned in Butler's letter, document 247]

251. June 13, 1779

From Crofts at St. François to Le Maistre at Sorel Reporting that a band of Indians was supposed to depart vesterday but, when they found out how many white people were to go with them, "(which they were not aware of, it being necessary to keep it as secret as possible)", they found many excuses not to go; today, 24 Indians had departed with several whites.

252. December 5, 1780

From John Edjar [?] at Montreal to [? probably Le Maistre] Reporting that he has followed Brigadier General Maclean's advice to petition for his release; asking assistance in influencing the commander in chief favorably on the petition.

253. [no date]

"Return of Captain Tice's party" apparently under the command of Colonel John Butler, including names, age, birthplace, and occupation of officers and rank and file

254. February 1781

From Mr. John Johnston at Montreal to Major Richard Berringer Lernoult, adjutant general, at Quebec Recounting his service under Sir John Johnson, Colonel Butler, Captain Mathews, and others; requesting that his compliments be presented to Captain Mathews

255. May 14, 1781

From Colonel Christian Daniel Claus at Montreal to Lernoult Providing a personal character reference regarding a Mr. Henry Bowen, who got ensnared in a quarrel, in which he was attempting to interpret between German and English, and resulting from which he was accused of interpreting in a way to abet the quarrel, "Under which pretext he was sent for to my House by Brig'r Genl Maclean, and without any farther Enquiry about the Nature of his Engagement from, him or me, sent under Guard to be confined by the provost martial and tried by a Military Court, which as a free British Subject he thinks very hard & illegal"

256. November 1, 1781

From Johnston at Montreal to Lernoult at Quebec Recounting more details of his service, especially in relation to the Indians, and asking for an unspecified favor

257. November 20, 1781

Invoice for sundry ordnance addressed to Major Ross at Carleton Island and signed by Lieutenant Colonel John Campbell [enclosed with document 258]

258. November 22, 1781

From Campbell at Montreal to Le Maistre

Enclosing an invoice [document 257] for sundry ordnance needed to sufficiently arm a detachment of Sir John Johnson's regiment going to Carleton Island

259. March 4, 1782

From Johnston, of the Indian Department, at Montreal, to Lernoult and Mathews at Quebec

Seeking a response to his previous "memorials" [documents 254, 256] and specifically requesting, notwithstanding his previous "misfortunes" that led to his being removed from Colonel Sir John Johnson's command, that they influence the commander in chief in appointing him " to Joyn any Provincial Corps as a Volunteer, or to Undertake any Service I may be thought Worthy of"

260. June 30, 1782

From Campbell of the Indian Department, at Montreal, to Lernoult at Quebec

Presenting his godson Mr. Robertson and requesting Lernoult's "protection" for him; hoping that he will be returned to the Indian Department

261. December 21, 1781

From Johnston at Montreal to Lernoult

Being "so Unhappy as to be favour'd with no answer," to his letters, pleading for a response

262. February 10, 1785

"Return of Stores belonging to the Indian Department at the Garrison of Oswegatchie in Charge of Captain Lermey"; signed by Sergeant Robert Webster

263. May 20, 1797

"Schedule of the Letters and Documents relative to the Post at Isle Aux Noix, as Delivered over by Captain Neil McLean 2nd Battalion Royal Canadian Voluntiers to Lieutenant Captain Gabriel Gordon 2nd Battalion 60th or Roy'l American Regiment"; comprising a list of 27 numbered items containing descriptive contents of letters and other documents, with dates from 1786 to 1796; signed by Gordon [letters and documents not microfilmed]

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