

## Claus Family Papers: 1755-1886

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### Content List - Volume 25 (1777-1804), Reel 8

Date		Correspondents	Summary
1777	October 6	Claus to Carleton	Montreal. Asks relief for merchants to clothe "Indians", who were robbed by Rebels at Fort Stanwix in August
1778	July 20	Claus to Sir John	Montreal. Suggest Joseph and Mary Brant could look after "Indian's" interests more economically than Colonel Butler, recommend Mr. Kremer as interpreter to Western Nations. Memo to Blackburn's letters – "Indians" refuse to serve with Rebels and ridicule the Tobacco Treaty
	September 15	Claus to Haldimand	Mohawks fixed on winter quarters but short of ammunition, ask for £1500 expense money
	September 24	Claus to Haldimand	Mohawks reconnoitered at Crown Point and Tyconderoga, French Fleet dispersed, Rebels building gun boats
1778	October 12	Claus to Haldimand	Denounce Butler for claiming credit for the affair at Burnets field or the German Flatts which rightfully was done to Joseph Brant

	October 15	Claus to Rev. Vardill	Carleton's jealousy against the late Sir Wm. Johnson as the cause of his (Claus) super-session after 15 years faithful service - new "Indian" Officers inactive, incapable and occasion jealousies among "Indians". Sir Guy [Carleton] contributed to Burgoyne's defeat, mentions Fort Stanwix
	October 26	Claus to Haldimand	Mohawk families – effect of living entirely on salt provisions, erected 18 comfortable huts, will give winter clothing in a day or two
	October 26	Taylor and Duffin to Claus	Niagara. News of Joseph and Molly Brant and Mr. Jno. Butler.
	November 11	Taylor and Duffin to (?)	Friction between Butler and the refugee families from the frontier and "Indians"
	November 13	Claus to Lt. Adams at Carleton Island	Information to spread among the "Indians"
	November 18	Claus to Haldimand	Arrival of Mrs. McKennis, Mr. Adams at Carleton Island, rumors among the "Indians"
	November 20	Claus to Haldimand	News from Joseph Brant, complaints against Col. Butler
	November 24	Taylor and Duffin to Claus	News of McKennis and Molly Brant

1780	November 30	Claus to Capt. Mathews [governor's secretary at Quebec]	G. Sehnlyer returned from Philadelphia where Congress had been planning expeditions for spring. French and Spaniards from Mississippi to come against Detroit and Congress to send an army by Wyoming to take Niagara, then proceed to Montreal and Quebec. Criticism of Major Clark's behaviour.
1778	December 1	Taylor and Duffin to Claus	Describes affair at fort in Cherry Valley
	December 24	Claus to Haldimand	Rumours among the "Indians", ask for supplies
1779	March 17	Claus to Haldimand	Arrival of Joseph Brant at Montreal, news of Governor Hamilton at St. Vincent's, Butler's behaviour towards Brant's men – told Brant's men to leave him and return towards the frontier, or they would have no provisions and be treated as rebels
	April 6	P. Langan to Claus	Col. Campbell's jealousy over clothing St. Regis [Mohawk] "Indians", mentions Mrs. Claus and Lady Johnson
1779	May 17	Claus to Haldimand	Sir John's men returned to St. Johns after striking at Stoneraby but the Mohawk has not. Capt. John has taken a party towards Fort Edward; enclose letter from Brant asking for clothing for white men that act for him
	May 3	Claus to Haldimand	Intelligence - plans and dispositions of rebels gleaned from prisoners

	May 24	Claus to Haldimand	Actions of the Mohawk party and information they obtained
	June 2	P. Langan to Claus	Six Nations would be better employed on frontiers of New England than near Fort Stanwix
	July 12	P. Langan to Claus	Passing on news from Col. Butler and Col. Campbell
	July 26	P. Langan to Claus	Hanging of Harvey Hare by the Rebels
1779	August 2	Claus to Langan	General says Molly must suffer no want. His own attitude towards Col. Campbell
	August 9	P. Langan to Claus	Supplies to Indians
	August 12	P. Langan to Claus	Repeat message sent by the Six Nations to the Canada "Indians" - John a problem!
	August 16	P. Langan to Claus	Outfitted John and his fourteen Mohawks
	September 6	Claus to Haldimand	Molly anxious to return to the Six Nations. Mr. Adams fit to return to duty
	September 13	Claus to Haldimand	Langan's requisition on Capt. Fraser for provisions for Mohawks, has sent off twenty Mohawks from Lachine and Molly, explains about Adam's pay
	September 14	Claus to Capt. Watts	Methods of late Sir Wm. Johnson

			with "Indians", criticises Butler
	September 30	Claus to Haldimand	"Indians" removing their families out of the Rebels way
	October 7	Claus to Haldimand	Kingsland raid and prisoners
	November 4	Claus to Mr. John Blackburn	Effects of Carleton's resentment against Sir Wm. Johnson
	October 21	Claus to Mr. John Blackburn	Departmental graft and landing Joseph Brant
	November 21	Guy Johnson to Claus	Difficulty rendering accounts, Molly Brant large minded
	December 9	Claus to Haldimand	Repeats information from John Glen, newspapers obtained in Albany given to Brig. Maclean
1780	February 18	G. Johnson to Alex McKee	His appointment as Colonel and Superintendent of Six Nations and their allies, has 3000 Indians with him
	April 17	Claus to Haldimand	Experiences of a scouting party to Fort Hunter
	May 15	Claus to Haldimand	Sent Mohawks to Point au Fer. Only way to make "Indians" act is revenge rather than bribery
	May (?)	Gov. Haldimand to the Indians	Speech explaining Sir John's absence and the military situation of the Rebels

	May 13	G. Johnson to Claus	Kept 300 "Indians" scouting continuously. Keeping accounts till the General explains vouchers
	May 16	P. Langan to Claus	Describes journey to Schroon Lake
1780	June 26	Claus to Sir Johnson	Recommends a yearly certainty being fixed by the General for Molly Brant and children on account of her service in influencing Six Nations and getting intelligence. Auron the Mohawk complains about the corn sent for seeding
	August 12	G. Johnson to Alex McKee	Advises to discourage the Shawnees from leaving their country at present
	September 7	G. Johnson to Alex McKee	Apprehending the Virginians will continue to make incurious so will endeavor by parties from Kadaragaras towards Fort Pitt to distract their attention, mentions Brant's success
	October 31	P. Langan to Claus	Describes operations and events near Crown Point
	November 2	Claus to Haldimand	Return of Mohawks from Crown Point and their exploits
1781	April 24	Claus to G. Johnson	Discusses accounts between them

	July 3	G. Johnson to Claus	Discusses the affairs of certain "Indians"
	July 9	Capt. Mathews to Claus	Mohawks must not trust Oneidas
	November 29	Claus to Capt. Mathews	Intelligence of Ross affair at Johnstown
1782	January 31	Claus to Capt. Mathews	Awaiting Sutherland's return
	February 11	Claus to Capt. Mathews	Discusses future scouting parties
	February 14	Capt. Mathews to Claus	To concert with Campbell to divert the Sault St. Louis Indians
	March 4	Claus to Capt. Mathews	Scouting party to Schroon Lake, encloses abstract of "Indian" expenses
1782	March 19	Claus to Mathews	Scouting parties from Carleton Island
	May 28	Claus to Patrick Sinclair	Calvé's character
	July 18	Claus to Mathews	Information from Mohawk Chief Isaac Hill from Schenectady and Fort Hunter
	August 12	Claus to Capt. Mathews	Joseph Brant arrived from Oswego
1784	June 14	Claus to Capt. Mathews	Isaac Hill settling 40 miles above Cataraqui. The rebel General Schuyler endeavoring to bully the "Indians"

1790	September 16	Claus to Haldimand	Information obtained from a "negro" captive, our Charles Grandison
1803-4	-	-	Return of the Indians at Amherstburg
1907	April 6	-	Newspaper clipping of "The Wilderness"