

31st.—This evening the Spanish ship came down, and, having been fired at by the batteries, came to an anchor. The captain came ashore and reported his having struck upon a rock as he passed by the Point-au-Tremble, and sprung a leak; applied for leave to go home, and assistance to examine his ship, as she made a great deal of water.

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Nov. 1st.—In consequence of the Spanish captain's representation, I wrote to the commanding officer of the ships, Captain Macartney, to desire him to assist, as otherwise I should be obliged to subsist the crew, which would prove burthensome.

4th.—Ordered out a captain and 200 men to destroy the works of the enemy along the north shore of the river, from the Petite Rivière to the Saut de Montmorenci. Distributed, also, sixty-one hogsheads of wine, which had been found in the King of France's stores, to the officers of the garrison.

5th.—This day, the Spanish ship, as she was laying ashore to find out the leak, fell to pieces. The captain and several French merchants, to whom I had given leave to take their passage in her to France, applied for leave to procure one of the French merchantmen who lay above in the river, which I readily granted, as I knew from experience it was always in their power to pass in the night; that the ships might obstruct our operations in the summer, and that it was removing so many hands I must otherwise subsist, upon account of the friendship subsisting between the two Crowns, though I could not well spare the provisions.

7th.—As I had sent the sick into the nunneries, being large and convenient buildings, where they were used to take care of the sick, I had now an application made to me from the General Hospital for wood, it being impossible for that House to procure the quantity it required. I therefore ordered three of the neighbouring parishes to furnish fifty cords each for that purpose to be paid by the King.