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sown in wheat; 342 acres to be sown; 124 horses, 96 cows, 64 young cattle, 35 calves, and 332 swine. Page 408

January 14, Niagara. J. Macdonell to Mathews. Asking that Lieutenant Turney may be allowed the six months' pay kept in suspense, on account of the distressed state of his wife and family.

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March 13, Niagara. Nucholas Schylor to Haldimand. Applying for the restoration of a negro taken from him. 257

May 8, Niagara. Macdonell to Mathews. Has corrected the pay bill in accordance with the account sent. Cannot answer certain inquiries, being entirely ignorant of how the business of the regiment was transacted at the early period to which these refer. Is sorry that the bills drawn in favour of Ellice & Co., have not been honoured. Cannot clear the regiment at its disbandment without specie; he, therefore, asks that a temporary warrant may be granted. 410

May 8, Niagara. Butler to the same. Stating that list of promotions has not been enclosed in his letter as said. Complains of the inconvenience caused by the delays in settling his contingent accounts. Sends list of farmers, &c (p 408). The lands he and four or five officers had settled on turn out to be on the King's reserve. He hopes that will not prevent their holding possession. Has delivered His Excellency's speech to the Indians. The land on the three lakes belongs to a number of Indian tribes; is afraid that the offer to purchase will have a bad effect on the minds of the Indians.

May 22, Niagara. Same to Haldimand. That two of his sons intend settling. Asks for the contract for the carrying place between the landing and Chippewa Creek.

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June 5, Niagara. Joseph Brant to Mathews. On his arrival here found the Indians in confusion, owing to reports circulated on behalf of Schuyler; has, therefore, determined to continue the settlement where it is; to move across the river would have caused more confusion, of which the rebels would have taken advantage. He expects in a few days to begin the new settlement. Peter Ryckman, from Albany, has arrived, but his mestage is not yet known, except that it is not from the United States, but from the Governor, &c., of the State of New York. It seems the different States do not agree among themselves; at the same time he means to give as short an answer as possible, as he intends to make peace with the whole of the States. Is sorry the clothing has not yet arrived.

July 21, Niagara. Butler to the same. Is surprised the descriptive return has not been received; sends another. The Indians from the west are expected to attend the council with the United States. Asks leave to charge pay for Mr. Wilkinson, dismissed by Sir John Johnson, but whom he was obliged to employ. Mr. Wilkinson believes that a number of the people settled in Nova Scotia are indebted to him; it is likely he will go there.

August 4, liagara.

Petition of Jacob Anguish, a ranger, stating his services and his wounded condition, and asking that his situation be laid before His Excellency. The petition is addressed to DePeyster.

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August 18, Niagara. Captain Armstrong to Mathews. Owing to the illness of DePeyster, writes that the provisions to the loyalists, Indian Department and Indians will be issued according to instructions. Gives reasons why a number of the discharged officers of the Indian Department and others are receiving rations.

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August 20, Niagara. Same to the same. Reporting that the relief had taken place at Makinak; that part of the detachment had arrived here (Niagara) and the rest expected to morrow.