

General Amherst that the Enemy had abandoned Carillon and Fort Frederick and that he was then in possession of the latter.

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Quebec October 18th—1759.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed I send you the Disposition of the two Armies as they were drawn up, the glorious 13th of September 1759. I hardly dared venture to send it you, as it is only a Brouillon—a conjectural Sketch that I took a few days after the victory and not being well finished but my dear father you must consider one thing, that no one Could expect to have a finished Draught from an Engineer on an Expedition very early, as they are always greatly employed after a surrender or Capitulation and have no title to send away anything of that Kind, in Consequence of their Instructions and also of their Orders they receive from their Commanding officers of their corps and have not it in their power always to get a copy of a survey. Our situation at present is very tranquil, the Enemy remain at Jacques Cartier without any molestation—the Indians are fled from both parties. The Canadians are neuter, that are near us and numbers have taken the oaths of fidelity and given in their arms and supply us with Sheep, Hogs, Fowls and Vegetables, not very cheap you may imagine. Their paper money by order of the Governor Brigr General Murray is cried down, so they truck their Commodities for L'Argent Blanc, Salt or Pork, Flour or Biscuit. We are quartered but so and so, the Quarters of the Town are divided to the Regiments the Basseville to 3 Battalions and the Faubourg of St Roch to 5 Companies of Highlanders (and the 48th Regt in the palace of the Intendant) the best Quarters of the whole. I'm quartered in a house that has no roof, not a single Board, nor has the Engineer a single artificer under his Command, nor has the Commissary of Ordnance Stores a single Key of the Barrack Tools, Magazines &c. Capt Leslie has the Keys and Command of everything. However I make those things set very easy. I scuffle with the crowd and must say this for myself that I can as the saying is, make my quarters as good as any, in the idle hours, I get a couple of carpenters or rather am to get to morrow to begin roofing. I've procured already the materials and as I understand this morning that a poor Subaltern (which I am likely to remain without your assistance) is to receive only 3 cords