

Extract from Letter from Lord Sydney to Colonel Joseph Brant. (the Indian Warrior). (Canadian Archives Q26-p.73)

Whitehall, 6th April, 1786.

Sir: ***** His Majesty, in consideration of the zealous and hearty exertions of His Indian Allies, in the support of His cause, and as a Proof of His most Friendly Disposition towards them, has been graciously pleased to consent that the Losses already certified by His Superintendent General shall be made good; that a favorable Attention shall also be shewn to the claims of others who have pursued the same system of Conduct, and that S. Guy Carleton, His Governor General of His American Dominions, shall take Measures for carrying His Royal Commands into execution immediately after His arrival at Quebec.

This liberal Conduct on the part of His Majesty, He trusts will not leave a doubt upon the Minds of His Indian Allies that He shall at all times be ready to attend to their future Welfare, and that He shall be anxious upon every occasion wherein their Interests and Happiness is concerned, to give them such further testimonies of Faith, and the honor and dignity of His Crown be afforded to them.

His Majesty recommends to His Indian Allies to continue United in their Councils, and that their Measures may be conducted with temper and moderation from which added to a peaceful demeanor on their part, they must experience many essential Benefits and be most likely to secure to themselves the possession of those rights and Privileges which their Ancestors have heretofore enjoyed.

I am &c.,

SYDNEY.

Instructions to Lord Dorchester. (Canadian Archives M.230, p.231)

23rd August, 1786.

Article 31.....You are not to allow any settlements to be made beyond the boundaries ascertained to the different Posts among the Indian Nations, within the Limits of Our Province of Quebec in Alliance with Us, as such settlements may tend to disgust those Savages, excite their Enmity and perhaps finally destroy the Peltry-Trade which ought to be cherished and encouraged by every Means in your Power.