

1779. of the contents of that communication (see also p. 136). The letter in cypher is referred to on the latter page. Page 134
- September 18, Haldimand to Major General Jones. That he will serve Mr. Powell on his (Jones') recommendation; Mr. Powell may begin the practice of his profession at Montreal. 109
Quebec.
- September 28, Same to Major General Pattison. Is unable to allow corn to be sent to New York owing to the almost total failure of the crop in the Province, and the uncertainty of the arrival of victuallers. 101
Quebec.
- September 28, Same to Clinton. Sends list of German officers not included in the Convention; asks that steps be taken for their exchange. Asks his opinion on the subject of paying batt and forage money to the officers who are prisoners. 102
Quebec.
- September 28, Same to the same. Had sent report of his having sent a strong reinforcement under Sir John Johnson to assist the Six Nations. Sends copy of letter from Bolton respecting the advance of the enemy into the country of the Indians, who are retiring in confusion and despair. The object of the enemy seems to be to unite against Niagara, which they may reach unless the reinforcement should rouse the Indians. Is not afraid of Niagara if no accident happens to Sir John Johnson, as it will be well garrisoned and provisioned, the only fear of provisions being on account of the numerous Indians flocking in for protection. The sole trust this year is in the few troops, and provisions will be hurried forward, the more so as there has been a failure at Detroit as well as throughout the Province, so that should any misfortune befall the fleet of victuallers, or a part of it, he would be reduced to the last difficulties to subsist the troops. If he (Clinton) should send a reinforcement, hopes he will send also provisions. The necessity of having a strong post at Oswego to preserve the upper country; the difficulty owing to want of provisions, which has also prevented him from raising a body of Canadians. The impossibility of co-operating this fall with Clinton, owing to the loss of the strong detachment he was obliged to send to the upper country; they were the picked troops, and he cannot trust the Germans, who constantly desert. Arrival of Major Rogers and his officers; his scheme to raise men in this Province cannot succeed, none of the new levies being yet completed; the Royal Emigrants have sent to Newfoundland and other quarters to fill up; further reasons why the proposal cannot be carried out. Asks that Lieutenant John McDonell of the 84th, now with Butler, be allowed to remain with him for the present, retaining his rank. 103
Quebec.
- September 28, Same to the same. Recommending Captain Willoc, the bearer of dispatches. 109
Quebec.
- September 28, Same to the same. Transmitting dispatches from Mr. Jordan, Deputy Paymaster General. 110
Quebec.
- September 28, Same to the same. Transmitting a pamphlet containing a circumstantial and attested account of the affair at the Cedars in 1776. 111
Quebec.
- October 3, Same to the same. Letters from Bolton and Butler indicate that the rebels have abandoned their purpose against Niagara for this season, but that they intend during the winter to prepare for an attack in spring. 113
Quebec.
- October 4, Same to Admiral Arbuthnot. Congratulates him on his arrival at New York; asks for assistance in checking privateers in the Gulph, and asks for his influence to have Schank promoted. 115
Quebec.
- October 4, Same to Clinton. Reports the arrival of victuallers, which has removed his painful anxiety. 117
Quebec.