

1782.
July 9,
Quebec. Mathews to Butler. His Excellency is waiting the arrival of Sir John Johnson, to make a permanent arrangement in the Indian Department; he approves of the building of the storehouse and council chambers. The answer to the Western and Six Nation Indians, respecting Fort Pitt, was sent to Colonel Johnson. His Excellency has no objection to the discharge of the men proposed (p. 320) and will assist them for twelve months, provided they are not fit for service. The mill proposed by the Secords cannot be allowed as private property; an estimate of the expense is to be sent down; the material will be sent up and the Secords allowed a reasonable profit for working the mill. The sooner Secord is down the better; he should be furnished with remarks in writing respecting the proposed situation, the material wanted, &c. Smiths' tools, nails, &c., have, Captain Twiss says, been forwarded, but Captain Maurer will be written to on the subject. Page 328
- July 15,
Niagara. Butler to Mathews. Respecting a bill drawn for the contingent expenses of the Indian Department. The officers and men of the department are getting uneasy about a settlement, but Colonel Johnson has all the accounts and papers; he has been applied to for an abstract, but has not answered. Brigadier Powell has written to explain the difficulties, so that he (Butler) hopes the bill will be honoured. The Indians continue to act with vigour; rangers are constantly on the frontiers for intelligence. 332
- July 18,
Niagara. Same to the same. Asking that his regiment receive a distinctive name, and not be styled merely Butler's Rangers. Could complete one or two more companies this summer should His Excellency sanction the proposal. 331
- August 5,
Niagara. Same to the same. Informing him of the return of Sayengaraghte from a successful expedition to the neighbourhood of Fort Pitt. Urges that the Indian presents be sent as soon as possible. 334
- September 1,
Niagara. Return of barrack bedding and furniture at Niagara and dependencies. 335
- September 2,
Niagara. Butler to Mathews. Stating that the mill proposed by the Secords was not to be private property, but for the benefit of the garrison and settlement; an estimate is sent. Brigadier Powell and Captain McDonell will explain everything. 336
- September 20,
Niagara. Captain Tice to Mathews. Asking that no opinion be formed in respect to the charge against him forwarded from Oswego by Major Ross, until he has an opportunity of meeting the charge. 337
- September 28,
Niagara. McCausland, Surgeon to the 8th Regiment, to Lieut.-Colonel Dundas. Giving reasons against the deduction made from him of the amount he has charged for medicine for the two additional companies of the regiment. 338
- October 7,
Quebec. Mathews to Butler. Introducing Mr. Burke, to be put on duty as a surgeon; he is only to be given a trial. 341
- November 4,
Quebec. Same to the same. His Excellency has transmitted the new commissions for the corps of rangers; he cannot sign commissions of officers appointed previous to his command, but they will retain their rank. Captain McDonell's bears a prior date to that of Captain TenBroeck. Baron Shaffilinsky and Mr. Luke are appointed second lieutenants. 342
- November 21,
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Quebec. Report on Butler's contingent account. 344
- January 20,
Canaraguras. Daniel Servos to Butler. Reporting that firing had been heard in the forenoon near Tioga, but nothing certain was known. The