

the provisions remaining in the Intendant's yard to be immediately brought up by the different regiments, proportionably to their several numbers.

*2nd.*—In the night the river froze over opposite to the town, or, in the French phrase, the bridge took, but was not yet passable. I ordered the corn that was taken from the farms of Cadet, contractor for the French King, to be sold, the same being a good deal damaged. If this had not happened, I purposed to have divided it among the women who received no provisions.

*3rd.*—As the enemy had been spreading false reports about their coming down, I thought it proper to alarm them in their turn, at the same time that if I saw an opening to seize any of their posts with success, I might do it. I ordered four sley-carriages to be made for guns and some for royalls, and ordered hay and oats to be brought into the town.

*6th.*—This day, in the evening, received intelligence the enemy had brought down to Point Levi a party of men they had so long talked of; but as the ice was not yet fit to bear so great a number of men, and that I had not a satisfactory account enough of the numbers or views of that party, I determined to wait till this was cleared up to me.

*7th.*—Lest the enemy should have farther views than what just now appeared, ordered the provisions to be hastened up from the Lower Town, and the regiments to lay in a stock of wood, that we might be prepared for any event.

*9th.*—There being a report that some Indians had passed into the Island of Orleans, lest the enemy should send some party to carry off the deserters I had quartered there, to save the King's provisions, and fearing this might deter others, I ordered them into town.

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