## Officers of His Majesty's Hospital

Mr Francis Russell, Chief Surgeon.

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## STATE OF THE FORTIFICATIONS

Quebec (a) The natural situation of the ground which the present front of the fortification is built upon towards the land, is very disadvantageous. Cape Diamond is nearest the River St Laurence, and is likewise the highest ground, from whence there is a continued slope, sometimes very quick, towards the River St Charles, in consequence of which the walls not being built upon a level, but humouring the nature of the ground, the flanks of the Bastions cannot defend their opposite faces in a proper manner, for the flanks of the higher Bastions, must fire below the horizontal line, as the flanks of the lower ones must throw theirs above it. To remedy this defect, the French built two Counter guards or Faussebrays with Casemated flankes, before the right face and flankes of Laglaciere Bastion, and the left face and flank of Bastion St Louis; this however introduced another inconvenience, of which they appear'd sensible when Mons' de Levis besieged the Town in 1760, as He directed his fire to this place, which