

been informed by Deserters of the Scanty State of Provisions in the Garrison, he demanded a Surrender of the Fort.—The Mayor in Return to the General's Message, sent Capt. Stewart of the 26th with a Drum into our Camp, that the General should have an Answer to his Letter in the Morning—that in the mean Time Hostilities should cease on both Sides.

*November ye 2nd.*—Capt Stewart of the 26th and Capt Williams of the Royal Train came about Eight o'Clock in the Morning into our Camp with an Answer from Major Preston to General Montgomery's Letter demanding to wait four Days to see whether no Relief would come to them in that Time, if not, that then they would make Proposals for a Surrender—To this the General replied that from the advanced Season, &c he could not give the Time required & that the Garrison must immediately surrender Prisoners of War, otherwise, if any fatal Consequences should ensue from their obstinacy that they must charge themselves with it—The General also referred them for the Truth of Carleton's Defeat to another Prisoner on Board of our Sloop—& informed them that whenever they choose to recommence Hostilities they should give the Signal by firing a Cannon without ball.

At Noon the same Gentlemen returned to our Camp with the Articles of Capitulation, some of which were agreed to & others rejected or amended, the sum of which was that the Garrison should march out of the Fort with the Honours of War, lay down their Arms on the Plain South of the Fort and be Prisoners of War, the Warlike Stores &c to belong to the Continent—& that Possession of the Fort should be given to Morrow morning at 8 o'Clock—this was agreed by the Garrison and accepted of.