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Extract of a LETTER from Lieutenant Governor  
Sir JOHN WENTWORTH, Baronet, to his Grace the  
Duke of PORTLAND; dated Halifax, Nova Scotia, 24th  
September 1796.

**T**HE Maroons are much attached—are impressed with Hatred to the French.—Although they may hence be safely trusted, yet their Wives and Children, to whom they are extremely attached, being Pledges for their Fidelity, they will be advantageously employed more immediately under my own Inspection, and with a Company of Riflemen, who are equal to either Maroons or Indians in the Woods and difficult rocky Country.

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Extract of a LETTER from Lieutenant Governor  
Sir JOHN WENTWORTH, Baronet, to his Grace the  
Duke of PORTLAND; dated Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
8th October 1796.

**T**HE Maroons are daily progressing in Preparations for the Winter. Their Conduct still continues to be much better than could be expected; with very little Exception, it is quite meritorious. They will be decidedly good Men against any Enemy. I am persuaded they are attached to me; and that they are fully convinced, not only their Comfort, but also their future Views and Military Credit, depend on their Obedience and Affection to His Majesty's Government.