

embark from Jersey with a design of proceeding to France, and particularly to that part of the coast which I have described, unless you shall hereafter receive from me directions contrary to those of this dispatch, to which, in the present state of affairs, I must request you will pay immediate and particular attention. One reason in particular which induces me to urge this precaution is that I have reason to believe an intercourse has lately been established between Jersey and the coast for the sale and distribution of forged assignats. The parties concerned in this speculation will of course make every exertion to prevent its failure, and it will therefore be necessary that any person supposed to have taken a share in it should be carefully watched, and it is of the greatest importance, particularly at the present moment, that no communication should be permitted with the coast, except by the boats which Capt. D'Auvergne may think proper to detach with such persons as he may select for the service, which requires the greatest secrecy and caution. It is principally with a view of securing these points—absolutely necessary in a communication of this nature—that I have entrusted the management of it to Capt. D'Auvergne exclusively, who, by his situation on board a ship, can execute my directions without incurring any risk of their being divulged, which, whatever precaution may be taken, they would frequently be if the same measures were carried on from the Island. I understand that you have received permission to return to England as soon as you can be relieved in the command of His Majesty's Forces in Jersey. In the meantime, I rely with the fullest confidence in your zeal and attention in the discharge of this important trust, and I can assure you that you will find Capt. D'Auvergne ready to concert with you, whatever measures may be thought most expedient for the safety and defence of the Island, inasmuch as it depends on the naval force under his command. I am, Sir, your obedient humble servant, HENRY DUNDAS. Major-General Hall, &c."

In the debates on the Bill for the division of the Province of Quebec into Upper and Lower Canada, Mr. Dundas's name appears several times; and in the Simcoe correspondence preserved at Ottawa are several official communications addressed to and received from him. I transcribe a sentence or two from those in which the project of a street or military road is spoken of, viz., that to which by way of compliment the Governor attached the name of Dundas. In 1793, he writes: "I have directed the surveyor early in the next spring