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LETTERS TO (AND FROM) SIR GUY CHARLETON.—1782-1783.

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1782.
April 6,
Portsmouth.
- Sir Guy Carleton to General Haldimand. Notifying his appointment to the command of the Southern army; is on the point of embarkation and desires mutual communications may take place for the benefit of the service. Page 43
- May 21,
New York.
- Same to the same. Has received letters since his arrival, addressed to Sir Henry Clinton. The letters written since last August he does not send copies of; of nineteen letters sent to Clinton only those by the "Garland" and "Pandora" received. The disposition of the Administration and people of England pacific; only defensive measures to be taken. 44
- May 31,
New York.
- Same to the same. Enclosing duplicate, acknowledging letters. Sends "Gazette" with victory of Rodney over DeGrasse. Cannot yet tell the destination of the French fleet; reported that it was to go against Jamaica, but it is strongly believed it is intended for New York or Canada. All should be prepared. 45
- June 22,
Quebec.
- General Haldimand to Sir Guy Carleton. Congratulating him on appointment to command in the southern district. Loss of the "Bellona." His ignorance of the ministry's intentions as to the war. Troops will be gradually moved to the Isle aux Noix for the intended expedition, under cover of carrying on works. Should negotiations for peace fail, these troops will be ready for the frontiers. Confidential person from Vermont not arrived; Allen pressed for a personal interview. The prospects of Vermont closing with Government. Is informed by de Riedesel of exchange of Brunswick troops; they are much wanted. The two mills on the Mohawk to be destroyed for the safety of Oswego. Scouts sent to Albany and Johnstown, with orders not to commit hostilities in Vermont. 2
- June 23,
Quebec.
- Same to the same. Letters forwarded in cypher by an approved loyalist, who will sink them if necessary. Rules as to exchange of prisoners rigidly adhered to, till the engagements at the Cedars, &c., are accomplished by the enemy. Vermont excepted from this. Posts ordered to confine themselves to defensive operations. Arrival of the trade fleet at Bic, but few dispatches. 5
- July 22,
New York.
- Carleton to Haldimand. Has not yet engaged offensively or defensively in any hostile operations; has received no letters from England. The success of the fleets in the West Indies and Europe has disarranged the enemy's plans; there are indications of hostilities