

LETTER FROM GENERAL HALDIMAND TO SIR JOHN
JOHNSON, BARONET, DATED HEADQUARTERS,
16TH AUGUST, 1784.

SIR,—It is with concern that I learn from Major Holland the very unfavorable report which he made to you, upon his way to this place, of the settlers belonging to your second battalion at Cataraqui, particularly of some of the officers, who, instead of conciliating the minds of such as are disposed to be discontented, and reconciling any difficulties which, from local or other circumstances, cannot be obviated, are active in encouraging and supporting them in disregarding the instructions, which, it appears by Mr. Collins' certificate and others, you had left for execution with Major Holland. A slight indisposition has prevented me from enquiring into the particulars of the affair, but I have directed Major Holland to make a faithful report to me, in writing, of every circumstance relating to it, that proper notice may be taken of such persons, whose conduct has been so reprehensible. In the meantime, finding that it has not only impeded, but actually stopped the progress of the settlement, the purport of this letter is to desire that you will immediately despatch an express to Mr. Collins, with my positive orders that he shall proceed in allotting the fourth township as proposed by Major Holland, leaving the proportions of the officers of your second battalion, Major Rogers' detachment, and Major Vanalstine's party, that cannot be completed in three and four, to be laid out for them as soon as possible where they can most conveniently be had.

You will at the same time give such directions as you shall think proper to the refractory persons in question, to second Mr. Collins in the execution of this order, in which, if they do not immediately acquiesce, they are to come down from thence, and will assuredly be deprived of every bounty a proper conduct would entitle them to from Government.

FRED. HALDIMAND.

To Sir John Johnson, Baronet, etc., etc., etc.

LETTER FROM THE DEPUTY SURVEYOR-GENERAL
TO GENERAL HALDIMAND.

CATARAQUI, the 16th day of September, 1784.

SIR,—The sudden departure of the batteaux by which I write this, leaves me only time to report to Your Excellency that I am this moment returned from Bay of Quinte, where I have completely settled all matters respecting land affairs with Sir John Johnson