

two hundred and fifty pieces of cannon, four mortars, and other munitions of war. The property of the tories has been confiscated, and is to be sold in a few days. A considerable quantity of specie, it is said, has been buried in cellars, &c. by the patriots, who, I presume, will now make a good use of it. Many will make fortunes by buying the estates of the banished tories. The first care will be, however, Ferdinand says, to fortify the town, and there is a great French engineer, and four Prussians, who are to superintend the work.

"We are all, notwithstanding our late sufferings, in good health. You will rejoice with me that my two eldest girls, and oldest boy likewise, are at a seminary in the interior of the State, and have escaped the scenes we have had to go through. They are in good hands, and we felt no anxiety on their account. Our youngest, however, are quite delighted—they have remained in the city; they think they shall never forget what they have witnessed, nor the sight of a red coat.

"We have made arrangements to lodge forty persons; you know our house is large, and, besides, less injured than almost any other from our late unwelcome visitors. I have omitted to give you an account of the death of Father Joseph, who expired at my house, and was buried from here. He has been travelling in disguise for a long time, trying to comfort his spiritual children, had been concealed some time in this place, when circumstances rendered it necessary he should leave the place of his concealment, and go where he could be better attended to. Although some of the enemy were quartered in my house, I did not hesitate to receive him. I shall leave the melancholy history of his trials, since leaving his country, and of his death, to a future occasion, as I am unwilling to dim the joy and triumph of this season, by the