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Copy of a Letter from General Sir Henry Clinton, Knight of the Bath, to Lord George Germain, dated New York, October 2, 1778.

MY LORD,

JUDGING it a necessary Step towards obtaining the Release of the Troops of the Convention of Saratoga, to renew the Demand for fulfilling the Conditions thereof, at the same Time, that in Obedience to His Majesty's Commands, signified to me in your Lordship's Letter of the 12th of June, I offered the Assurances therein directed; I sent a Letter to the American Congress, of which the inclosed is a Copy, and another, of the same Tenor and Date, to General Washington.

In Answer to the former, I received a Letter on the 1st Instant from the Secretary of the Congress, Copy of which I have the Honour to inclose.

To the latter no Answer has as yet been received.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

H. CLINTON.

Copy of a Letter from His Excellency Sir Henry Clinton to His Excellency Henry Laurens, Esquire, President, and others the Members, of the American Congress at Philadelphia, dated New York, September 19, 1778.

S I R,

NOTHING but His Majesty's positive Instructions, of which I send you an Extract, could have induced me to trouble you or the American Congress again on the Subject of the Troops detained in New England, in direct Contravention of the Treaty entered into at Saratoga. The Neglect of the Requisitions already made on this Subject is altogether unprecedented among Parties at War. I now however repeat the Demand, that the Convention of Saratoga be fulfilled; and offer, by express and recent Authority from the King, received since the Date of the late Requisition made by His Majesty's Commissioners, to renew, in His Majesty's Name, all the Conditions stipulated by Lieutenant-General Burgoyne, in respect to the Troops serving under his Command.

In this I mean to discharge my Duty, not only to the King, whose Orders I obey, but to the unhappy People likewise, whose Affairs are committed to you, and who I hope will have the Candor to acquit me of the Consequences that must follow from the New System of War you are pleased to introduce.

I have the Honour to be, &c.

(Signed) H. CLINTON.

Copy of a Letter from Charles Thomson, Secretary to the Congress, to His Excellency General Sir Henry Clinton, dated Philadelphia, September 28, 1778.

S I R,

YOUR Letter of the 19th was laid before Congress; and I am directed to inform you, that the Congress of the United States of America make no Answer to insolent Letters.

I am, &c.

(Signed) Cha. Thomson, Sec.

[Price Seven-Pence.]

Copy of a Letter from General Sir Henry Clinton to Lord George Germain, dated New York, October 8, 1778.

MY LORD,

ON the Return of the Troops from the Expedition to Bedford, &c. I proposed taking a forward Position with the Army, as well to procure a Supply of Forage, as to observe the Motions of the Rebel Army, and to favour an Expedition to Egg Harbour; at which Place the Enemy had a Number of Privateers and Prizes, and considerable Salt Works.

Accordingly on the 22d of last Month, I requested Lord Cornwallis to take a Position between Newbridge on the Hackinsack River, in Jersey and Hudson's River, and Lieutenant-General Knyphausen one between Wepperham, on the last of those Rivers, and the Bruux.

In this Situation, with the Assistance of the Flat-Boats, we could assemble the Army on either Side of the North River in 24 Hours; and by our having the Command of that River as far as the Highlands, Mr. Washington could not assemble that of the Rebels in ten Days: To have done it in Jersey, he must have quitted his Mountains, and risked a general Action in a Country little favourable to him.

As by the Move before-mentioned, the Provinces of Jersey and New York were opened, we received a considerable Supply of Provisions, and a Number of Families came in.

General Washington did not seem to shew the least Disposition to assemble his Army, and the Militia kept at a Distance; however, by a well projected Plan of Lord Cornwallis's, almost an entire Regiment of the Enemy's Light Dragoons were surprized and carried.

For the Particular of this, I beg Leave to refer your Lordship to Lord Cornwallis's Report; a Copy of which I have the Honor to inclose.

Having acquainted your Lordship, in my Letter, N^o 20, that the Convoy is now ready for the Expedition, I have therefore directed the Troops to fall back, in order that such of the Regiments as are destined for that Service, may proceed upon it without Delay.

I am, &c.

H. CLINTON.

Copy of a Report from Lieutenant-General Earl Cornwallis to Sir Henry Clinton, K. B. dated New Bridge, September 28, 1778.

S I R,

HAVING received Intelligence that a considerable Body of Militia and a Regiment of Light Dragoons were assembled in the Neighbourhood of Taapan, in order to interrupt our Foraging, a Plan was formed on the Evening of the 27th for surprizing them. Three Deserters from the Right Column alarmed the Militia, who were posted near New Taapan, by which Means they made their Escape; but the Left Column, commanded by Major-General Grey, were so fortunate as not to be discovered; and the Major-General conducted his March with so much Order and so silently, and made

