

William Bond Papers

1768 - 1777

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1776, August 10. William Bond to Lucy Bond [wife]. Bond wrote from Ticonderoga about the numbers of sick men in his regiment, described the camp outside Ticonderoga and the military activities in the area. 2 p



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Siconderoga August 10th - 1776

These are to inform you that I am well, ^{and hope they will find you so} Henry has been poorly Near a week has took a Duke has got better Leonard is well the army is yet sickly but not so many sick as their was We have three Capt^{ns} 7 Lieut^s 1 Ensign the Quartermaster Adjutant and Surgeon 30 Serjeants 4 Drummers one fifer and 96 Privets Sick at fort George besides the sick in camp Which is 1 Lieut 2 Ensigns 3 Serjeants 1 Drummer one fifer and 33 rank & file - We have ~~at~~ command 6 Lieut 2 Ensigns 7 Serjeants and 124 rank and file all the rest of the Regt are on feteague every day We are on the hill opposite to Siconderoga Called mount Judgement Where there is 3 Brigads Two New hamshier Regts have arrived here a few days ago, Brigadier Bricket arrived last Night Sayer part of his Brigade will be ^{hear} in 2 or 3 days we expect they will encamp on the hill with us I wrote to you last week & to Capt Brown, Desire you would send my Newspaper every week Sealed up in a letter the Post is got in has brought no letters for me I should be glad to hear from home every week & how the farming business goes on as I have not heard one word about the business since I left home the army have fared ^{badly} very since they came into Canada till lately we have freach beef enough now, last week I had some green Peas Beans Squashes and Turneps Some of them were brought near forty miles we likewise bought a good cow last week so that we just begin to live yesterday I eat some Cucumbers

Tell Capt Brown our Train have not for got how
to split mortars yet, we had two 15 inch mortars
near which were sent up from Roxbury tis said
cost 1000 Dollars each besides the cost of the shells
which are now useless the Train tried them about
a Week ago and split them both in two the one
half of them both flew about Ten yards from the
bed tis said one of them was fired at Roxbury
a number of times we have now only a few small
mortars and hoites we have fortified on this hill very
strong the old french lines are repaired and made
strong one brigade are constantly at work there
we are masters of the lake have two Schooners
two Sloops & 5 gundaloes the gundaloes carry 12
Canon each they are building a number more
gundaloes at Scheenesborough which will soon be fit
to launch — last Monday a most sorrowful accident
happd at Crown Point on board one of the gundaloes one
of Capt Hatch's men after having discharged a Canon
once was loading of him again as he was coming down
the Carriage it went off and blowd him to peaces —
I have just heard that Capt Cook has got home blind, but
I hope he will see again — Henry remembers his Dearty
to you & love to his Brothers & Sisters remember me to all
inquiring friends, These from your loving Husband
So much Lucy Bond
at Waterdown

Wm Bond

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Aug. 10. 1776

Dear Son
to his wife

Colo William Bond

For

Waterborn

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