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General Shirley finds a Discontent - on either of the French
Forts on Ontario - this year impracticable & that General
Johnson is also at his Ne plus Ultra, I know not what
Credit is to be given to such Reports but I begin to fear
they are not without foundation

To Doctor Sharpe. Oct^r 24th by M^r Wayne.

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Instead of a long Lett^r which an Unwillingness to
deprive M^r Wayne of the Pleasure he may take in
communicating to You what has occurred here since his
arrival makes me at this time decline writing, I will
inclose You a Map of the British Settlements in America
& a Journal of the Proceedings of our Assembly at their
last Meeting; The latter will shew You (if You think
it worth while to peruse it) how unhappily our Affairs
are circumstanced & that such Disputes subsist between
the several Branches of this Legislature as will prevent
our taking any Steps for our own Defence unless the
Parliament of Great Britain shall think proper to in-
terfere & decide or make us wave the Points in Contro-
versy. I desire You will not be surpriz'd at seeing I
am become a Favourer of our Religion's Enemies, &
that whatever Credit You give to ~~those~~ that would insi-
nuate as much. You will give the greatest to me when
I declare that I am with the highest Esteem
Y^r obliged & most affect^d M^r.

PS
M^r Bidout has informed You how
that Affair of M^r Tiffens is circumstanced
I do not see what Relief she can get unless
she will divide wth the Commissioners the Money that is in her Attorney's Hand