St. Leger (1,700 British, Tories, Indians) began siege of Fort Stanwix 3 Aug. Retreat to Oswego 22 Aug. when exaggerated reports of Arnold’s strength caused Indians to flee in panic.

Supply route 27 June

Route of march

Surrounded by converging American columns (20,000) Burgoyne surrendered 17 Oct.

Initial force (500) routed 16 Aug.

Brown (500) raided British communications 18 Sept.

Americans wrecked roads delaying the British for three weeks.

Evacuated 6 July

American rear guard surprised and defeated on 7 July.

Slow-moving reinforcements (650) routed 16 Aug.

Arnold (950) relieved Fort Stanwix 24 Aug., then rejoined main army.

Herkimer (860 local militia) ambushed and repulsed on 6 Aug. in an attempt to relieve Fort Stanwix.

Clinton (14,00) advanced from New York City in early Oct. 1777 as a diversion to assist Burgoyne. He captured Forts Clinton and Montgomery 6 Oct. forced evacuation of Constitution Island 7 Oct. and sent a force forward which burned Kingston 16 Oct. All troops returned to New York City after the surrender of Burgoyne at Saratoga on 17 Oct. 1777.

Gates assumed command 15 Aug. moved north 9-12 Sept. heavily reinforced.

Stark (2,000)