

3. *Friday*. Sent some gensing to Lord Dartmouth and the first volume of the *Abbé Winkelman* to Sir John Dick. Visited Baron Alvensleben. Walked a great deal, and returned home, where I found a letter from Baby and Gugsy.

Gave two guineas to Mr. Emery for the subscription for the poor Swiss. He spoke to me of a certain Maigro who might suit me as a servant. Spent the evening at home.

4. *Saturday.* Was at Rigaud's respecting the engraving of Joseph's portrait, then went to Hampstead and met my nephew. On my return, Brigadier McLean told me that the person who had written the two first letters in the *Morning Herald* against the Duke of Richmond and Sir Guy Carleton had been at his house that morning and told him that wishing to answer the letter written by Carleton's friends, he had carried the answer to the printer, who told him he could not print it unless he was given upwards of five guineas; that those who had answered the first letters had given him that sum and that he could insert nothing in his paper unless he was given more than that. This raises suspicion as to the means by which all the copies (which gave a relation of the war in America and particularly of the *Invasion of Canada*) have disappeared, as none can now be found.

5. Sunday. Took a drive in the morning. Lord Gage and Lord Dartmouth paid me a visit. Spent the day in reading letters from B. J. (Bouquet) and Prevost of 1755 and '56 and some from Monette (?) which reawakened my old friendship to her. I must write her, or see her on my way to the continent. Brigadier McLean told me yesterday, that Chief Justice Livius was suspected, with reason, of having written the two letters addressed some days ago to the Duke of Richmond. Major Mathews showed me a letter he had received from Brigadier Hope, with an enclosure to Lord Sydney, recommending him to succeed Major Carleton (believed to be dead) as Ranger of the Woods. I fear there is a good deal of trickery in Hope's conduct.

6. Monday. Took a ride and got soaking wet. Budé dined with me. Went to the Baron's concert which was well attended. From there we went to Lady Amherst's; home at half past 11. I did not play.

Major Mathews was this morning at Nepean's to show him Hope's letter. He told him that Carleton was not dead, but he was not to burn the letter to Lord Sydney; that he should make the acquaintance of Carleton as every thing in Canada would by and bye depend on him. James Grant, whom he met, told him that Carleton's commission as General was signed but not that as Governor.

Captain Twiss called and told me that the Board of Ordnance would not pay him as commanding engineer in Canada, and that if he had not a fortune himself he would be very ill off. Carleton asked him if he wished to return to Canada; he said no, and by what I understand he will sooner quit the service than leave England. He does not approve of the economy the Duke [of Richmond] has established in respect to engineer officers who command in places where works are under construction, and where, consequently, the officers commanding are responsible for the expenses.

The                      who commands the engineers in Canada proposes to finish the works which have been begun. He believes it will cost about £16,000 sterling to put them all in condition and the Duke is convinced that it will not be difficult to obtain that sum.

General Budé appears to be interested in Mathews; I will try to draw some advantage from it.

7. *Tuesday.* Rode out; came home where I spent the evening. I read with pleasure the last campaign of the King of Prussia.