

saying, "If they are the last words I shall ever speak, I swear I heard him say so,"—alluding to the word "*quits*," which I had mentioned in my letter, and which was the expression Mr. Chambers had made use of. This answer of mine to his demand put a stop, once more, to any feelings of friendship that may have previously existed between us. During the time when I was so subject to the hostile attacks of a virulent party, Mr. Chambers thought proper to have me arrested for this debt, but did not succeed in his wishes, or rather, the wishes of those who advised him, as two gentlemen immediately signed their names to the bail bond. At sitting of the next Assizes, the case was submitted to the arbitration of these gentlemen, Colonel Prince, Mr. Cameron, a barrister,* and Major Redyard. To the latter gentleman, I was introduced only half an hour before he was named as an arbitrator; but from the very high character borne by him in the District, I had no objection to his being one of the three: on the contrary, rejoiced to think that the case would be laid before one, perfectly acquainted with the feelings that ought to distinguish the officer and gentleman. I forgot to mention that, upon my arrival at Sandwich, I had been told by several, that they had been informed by Mr. Chambers, and his friends, that he was sure of winning the case, as he had in his possession, a letter, written by me after I had joined the 2nd Battalion, acknowledging the debt to be still due. I was rather astonished at this, and much more so when Colonel Prince, taking me into a room, produced a letter, which Mr. Cameron had entrusted him with, and begged me to read it, as it was to be brought up as decisive evidence against me. I read the letter, which was one written by me to Mr. Chambers, relative to Company's accounts, while in the 2nd Battalion. The letter had nothing whatever to do with the sum in dispute, nor did it in the most remote manner even allude to it. I regret much that I have no copy to lay before the reader, as the letter will, with a very little explanation and reference to dates, speak for itself. I believe it to be still in the possession of Mr. Chambers. This letter, however, had I not attended at the trial of the case, would have been sufficient to have obtained a verdict in the favor of my opponent. I had written, from Kingston, to Col. Prince, and others of my friends in the Western District, to say that I could not attend; nor did I know, for more than two hours before I started from Kingston, that I should be enabled to do so: it was, therefore, so far, fortunate that I did.

The three Arbitrators having assembled, I was sent for, and Mr. Cameron stated the case, to which I was requested to reply, which I did, by stating what I have before shown my reader—proving the falsity of the letter brought in evidence, and bringing Mr. Wells, as evidence to the agreement between Mr. Chambers and myself, previous to his starting for Toronto. Mr. Cameron, on the part of Mr. Chambers, then allowed three things—first, that the letter produced as evidence had nothing to do with the matter; secondly, that an agreement had existed between us, rela-

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