

to the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, who, I know, are anxious to record and preserve all the waifs and strays of literature, pertaining to the history of their ancient town.

General Murray seems to have been a brave and skilful soldier, and though he committed an error of judgment in fighting at Sillery, his services, during the campaign, were not only praiseworthy, but even brilliant. His military talent and fertility in resource eminently qualified him for the command of a fortress in a state of siege ; and his defense of Fort St. Philip, in Minorca which he held six months against the French and Spaniards, entitle him to a distinguished place amongst the Generals of his day. His personal character for honor stands no less high ; for when, in 1781, the Duke de Crillon, endeavoured to bribe him with £1,000,000, and rank and command in the French or Spanish army, he replied in the words of the Duke's ancestor : " L'honneur me le défend."

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P.S.— I find that Burke's Peerage, gives the sum as £100,000,000, and in quoting General Murray's letter to the Duke omits the report I have given above.