

fidence that my opinion with regard to the method of cure and the present state of the limb will justify that step. Inclosed I have sent a copy of the certificate which I have given respecting the case of His Royal Highness and I hope it will prove satisfactory to Genl., Prescott. At present however I believe nothing is yet absolutely determined on respecting the time of his departure, but I suppose it will take place before any answer can be obtained from Quebec. As my stay at Halifax did not appear indispensably necessary, I have mentioned my wish to return as soon as possible, the season of the year by no means admitting of delay, the captain of the *Earl of Moira* has, in consequence of my request to return, received orders to carry me to any part of the New States from whence I may proceed by land to Canada, it being thought to late to risk a voyage to Quebec,

I am etc.

J. MERVIN NOOTH,

Superintendent Genl of His Majesty Hospitals, in British America.

La lettre que nous venons de lire est du 22 septembre. Deux jours plus tard le duc de Kent écrivait au général Prescott sa décision de partir pour l'Angleterre sans attendre une autorisation formelle, et ses raisons d'en agir ainsi.

LE DUC DE KENT AU GENERAL PRESCOTT

Halifax, 24 September 1798.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's letters No. 25 and 27 ; the former dated the 8th of August, was received by the mail on the 30th ultimo, the letter of the 11th September by the hands of captain Hale, on the 20th following.

I request your Excellency will accept of my best thanks for your friendly intentions towards the unfortunate Baron Schaffalisky. The Ensigncy you are endeavoring to procure for his son in your Regiment will certainly be a no small relief to the distressed circumstances of the Father.

I have now to offer my particular acknowledgements for the expressions of regret contained in your letter on the subject of the accident. I met with on the 8th of last month, which has rendered my application for