

if anything had been paid. He told me, and repeated it several times, that these accounts could nowhere be found, nor any of those which I had sent during my stay in Canada, which surprised me greatly and showed me how careful we ought to be when employed by the public, but I learned that it is a method they have at the Treasury to get rid of the trouble of seeking and examining them and great care must be taken not to give them without taking a receipt, since it is almost certain they will never turn up.

Mr. Rose, a friend of Grant and Mills, appears desirous to pay the latter the whole salary of his office, during his absence, which produced in me much serious reflection on the conduct of these gentlemen.

I told Wigglesworth that the vouchers for Hutcheson's pay were partly for a gratuity which I made him for the exactitude I required from him, &c. He said I should say so when information is asked respecting the accounts. He complained that Billy Bayard was so pressing that he became a bore.

Dined at Mr. Ross's with Lord Amherst, General Buckley, Robertson, Colonel Kemble and Colonels Robertson and Ogilvy. Returned home.

Mrs. Fairchild spoke to me respecting the conduct of my servants, &c.

21. *Saturday*. Went to Hyde Park to see the cavalry drilled, which was very good. Lord Amherst commanded, and the Duke of Northumberland was always at his left, &c., &c.

General Cunningham and Major Gunn dined with me. Captain F. always positive; spent the evening at home.

22. *Sunday*. Sir Thomas Mills called and I showed him the letter I had written to William Grant, his deputy, when I suspended him from his office, and that which I wrote to his nephew, David Grant, who wished to receive his uncle's salary, after he had left. I told him that I wanted a copy of his letter to Mr. Rose. He begged me earnestly to show him the letter I wished to write him, before sending it, and that if I wished I could hand it to him myself; he desired to be present. He prevaricated a good deal about the accounts which had been sent from Canada at the end. He said that Caldwell had drawn half of the allowances since I left, that is £250 a year; at last I saw he was in some difficulty and that he was anxious to draw for money on the Treasury. In searching for some information on this affair among my papers, I found several documents that may be useful in case an investigation is desired into Grant's affairs, and especially duplicates from last dispatches to the Treasury and to the Ministers, with the enclosures on this business.

Paid a few visits. Generals Robertson and McLean dined with me, together with Davison, Deschambault and Colonel Clewes. They left at half past eight. Stayed at home.

23. *Monday*. Took a walk and paid a few visits. Deschambault dined with me; spent the evening at home.

24. *Tuesday*. Visited Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter, General Fawcett and the Bishop of Oxford. Dined at Baron Alvensleben's with Sir George Raullay (?), his wife and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. , two other ladies, Lord and Lord , Captain , Paoli and Gautell (?). Spent the evening and home at ten.

Sir Thomas Mills came to breakfast. I showed him the note I wrote to Mr. Rose, in sending copies of the letters I wrote to Mr. Grant when I suspended him, with that which I wrote to David Grant, his nephew, in November, '84, a few days before I left Quebec. Mills wished very much to carry the letters himself, but I told him that I had to speak to Rose upon other matters. He urgently begged me to say nothing beyond what was in my note. He assured me at the same time and positively that Grant had never received his salary. I was surprised in the greatest degree at seeing that, notwithstanding what Wigglesworth had told me, he main-