

I understand they are desirous the work should be done under the inspection and control of the commanding engineer, and the great public utility of the project cannot but make me anxious for its success, provided it can be carried into execution without injury to the defence of the place.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your Excellency's most humble servant,
ROBT. S. MILNES.

(*Series C, 605, p. 17.*

MONTREAL, June 21, 1804.

SIR,—The proprietors of the Montreal waterworks having, two years ago, obtained permission from His Excellency General Hunter to erect a cistern on the Citadel Hill, but finding from experience that they had placed it too high up, had begun this summer to take it asunder in order to place it behind the workshop belonging to the Board of Ordnance, have been prevented by Sergt. Taylor, Royal Artillery, saying, that he could not allow that ground to be broken up without an order from the Commander-in-Chief. I have, therefore, to request that you would represent the matter to His Excellency, and obtain his permission, as it cannot in any way injure or interfere with the garrison, and be of infinite service to the town in case of fire.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your most obedient servant,
D. SUTHERLAND,
Treasurer M.W.W.

Should His Excellency require further information I beg leave to refer him to Captain Bruyers, of the Royal Engineers (now at Quebec), who can explain everything respecting the above to the General's satisfaction.—D. S.

(*Series C, 605, p. 36.*

MONTREAL, September 26, 1820.

SIR,—The company of proprietors of the Montreal Water Works having obtained permission from His Excellency Sir John Coape Sherbrooke to make use of as much of the unoccupied ground upon the Citadel as they might require for the purpose of laying down and working up the materials necessary for the construction of