

repeated measurements, by different people, turn out to be a thousand; which disappointment laid us under very many difficulties.

*3rd.*—As about this time the communication to Orleans by water is cut off, by reason of the large pieces of ice from the small rivers which are floated backwards and forwards by the tides, and that as yet the channel between it and the northern shore is not frozen over,—consequently, that the wood we had cut there could not be brought from thence, I was obliged to send a detachment to cut wood at St. Foix; and a quantity of snow being now fallen, I ordered that parish and that of Lorette to furnish a number of sleys to bring it in constantly every day, for which they were to be paid.

*4th.*—Weather now so severe, ordered the sentries to be relieved every hour.

*5th.*—Ordered creepers to be made for all the men of the garrison.

*6th.*—The quantity of wood in the garrison being very small, and the Canadians, from inability or disaffection, bringing it in but very slowly, I was obliged to order (hand-sleys having been made for that purpose) a detachment from the garrison to assist in this work.

*7th.*—Wood being now delivered out to the troops, I forbid the destruction of houses.

*8th and 9th.*—Ordered the parishes of Charlesbourg, Beauport, and Petite Rivière to send a number of sleys to help to bring in the wood, a considerable quantity of snow having fallen and made the roads practicable for that kind of carriage; also, appointed Monsr. Cuguer judge of the above parishes.

*12th.*—Took measures for providing of charcoal.

*13th.*—Having received intelligence of some skulking Indians, gave strict orders for the men not to straggle.