

that if it was not expressed as he wished and that he would not accept it, it was not proper that he should see the instructions. There are people who believe he will not go to Canada.

Dined at Lady Holderness's, with Mrs. Bentinck and her family, at which I learned that the eldest of these young ladies is married to Mr. Mills, an officer of the Horse Guards Blue, who will have a handsome enough fortune, though he have been disinherited by his father. Mr. Mills was there, as was Mr. Bentinck, son of Charles, who is believed to be after the youngest of the young ladies. Budé was of the party. After the company had left, we remained for some time with Lady Holderness, and it was agreed, from various indications in the conduct of the Prince of Wales, that he was married to Mrs. Fitzherbert. Passed the whole family in review and can only anticipate a thousand disagreeable things.

23. *Thursday.* Major Mathews showed me the account of his office, which he wished to send to Mr. Wigglesworth. I advised him to show it to Mr. Dunn. Firstly we went to his house, but not finding him there, we paid a visit to his wife, who received me well, and seems to like London. Mr. Pitt having no levée I paid a visit to General Green of the Engineers, who led me to understand that General Elliot liked command and perhaps money. He lives well, but is so exact himself in the service and insists with so much severity on its being executed, that he has made many enemies; but Gibraltar is safe in his hands.

Visited Lady Yonge and Lady Gedeon; returned home, where I dined alone. Spent the evening at General Robertson's, where I found Lady Anstruther, who must have been a beautiful woman and very determined. She approved of the conduct of Mrs. Fitzherbert.

The General told me he would show me what Sir Henry Clinton received in America as Commander-in-chief, whilst in command there and made me understand what a fool I was not to have taken all the emoluments which should have come to me. He himself has asked for his travelling expenses as Quartermaster General and Barrack Master General. He was asked for an order from the General-in-chief and wrote in consequence to General Gage who is giving him a certificate which shall secure payment.

The more I know of this country, the more I see that it is the height of folly to trust to the generosity of the nation. Services are forgotten the moment there is no longer need of us.

24. *Friday.* Major Mathews carried the account of his office, with the vouchers, to Mr. Wigglesworth, and left the same evening at 10 o'clock in the coach for Scotland. He was not well.

25. *Saturday.* Rode out and met General Smith, who gave me a detail of the mutiny among the troops in '82, in relation to soldiers who had been engaged only during the war or for three years, and a Scotch regiment which was desired to embark for India. There was great trouble to pacify them, and they had to be disbanded. The same spirit of sedition was in the fleet, and it is believed that these mutineers were corresponding with Lord George Gordon. Met Budé, who advised me to have my horse trained to stand fire.

Dined at General Morrison's, with the Baron Alvensleben, Sir George Yonge and his wife, Budé, Grenville, Roy, Colonel Williamson, Mr. Louys (Lewis). Spent the evening there and lost a guinea and a half.

Joseph Brant had been at my house on Friday, and appeared much dissatisfied that no reply had been made to him. I advised him to go to Sir Guy Carleton, who went with him to Nepean's, and I learned this morning that the Privy Council had met to prepare an answer to him, which is to be made to-morrow.

Sir Charles Douglas, who called, told me that he hoped the difference between Commodore Sauviers (Sawyers?) and Captain Bentinck would be arranged, and that he would do all in his power to that end. Was at Court, where very few were pre-