

8. *Tuesday*. Dismissed John Thomson, my man servant, and although he owes me £5 or £6 sterling I made him a present of three guineas and made a present to Enguil of a guinea. To-day I paid my tailor, Fisher, in full of my account, £100, by a cheque on my banker. The Baron dined with me.

9. *Wednesday*. Called at Mr. Grenville's office to speak to Nepean, whom I could not see. Walked a great deal. Called at Lord Amherst's, who told me he had written to Sir George Yonge respecting the Lieutenant whom he had placed in my battalion. Adair dined with me; stayed at home.

10. *Thursday*. Stayed indoors all day engaged in writing and reading.

11. *Friday*. Dined at Colonel Crosbie's with General Morrison, Davison, Mr. Lewis and some other gentlemen. We had a very good dinner, very well served, &c.

12. *Saturday*. M. Mandrot came to dine with me and gave me all the news from Yverdun.

My nephew left to-day for the Isle of Wight.

Lieutenant Prevost, arrived from the West Indies, came to see me; he is very impatient to get a company.

The Baron dined with me and I went for a drive.

13. *Sunday*. Paid a visit to Mr. Wallace, who brought all he could find in his brother's books concerning my account with Mr. Daniel Delancy for the sale of my farm in Maryland. He advised me to write him to request that he would himself send me his account and to settle what might be still due.

He is of opinion that we should propose to Mr. Blower to purchase our rights over Shipody, alone or with letters from Justice Ludlow of the Province of Brunswick. I consented as the only means left to get anything out of it.

Colonel Miranda and the Baron dined with me; both believe war with Spain to be inevitable.

14. *Monday*. Received a letter from Major Mathews dated the 11th. He told me that the regiment was ordered to Chatham; that he was leaving that day with the first division, and that he would be twenty days on the march.

Captain Schank came to breakfast. I signed the certificate he had given to Captain Alkro [Halcro]. I asked Captain Schank to carry ten guineas to Mrs. Cramahé, for four dozen of Madeira which Cramahé had lent me on my arrival in Quebec, and which my servant had neglected to replace. Having reason to be dissatisfied with my servant Louis Mathey, I told him his services did not suit me and that he could look for another place. I engaged him on the 18th of March at the rate of 30 guineas a year, so that on the 17th June he will have served for quarter of a year.

15. *Tuesday*. The courier from Spain arrived this morning, but nothing is known of the news he must have brought.

Captain Schank, who dined with me, told me that Mrs. Cramahé had been granted a pension of £150. Dined and spent the evening at home.

16 *Wednesday*. My nephew, who breakfasted with me, communicated the letter Mr. Mandrot brought him. His mother tells him that my sister J. has left 75 ounces of silverware, besides what there is at the charpitret (?) and sixty-nine Swiss (?) cash, of which one-fourth is at interest.

Was at the levée which was very full for the season. It is generally believed that the news from Spain is unfavourable; that the two Courts are too exacting and that it will be difficult to avoid war.