

upon the Quarter-Master General, at nine o'clock, at the Recollet Gate.

"This engagement is understood and declared to be binding on any future commanding officer of the continental troops that may succeed me in this district.

(Signed,) RICHARD MONTGOMERY,  
*Brigadier-General, Continental Army.*

Montreal, 12th November, 1775."

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## APPENDIX C.

### THE OLD TOWERS OF THE "FORT DE MESSIEURS."

Our gifted Canadian Poetess, Mrs. J. M. Leprohon, has made these towers the subject for a beautiful poem, from which we now quote, and we heartily respond to the sentiment expressed in the closing lines.

"On the eastern slope of Mount Royal's side,  
In view of St. Lawrence' silvery tide,  
Are two stone towers of masonry rude  
With massive doors of time-darkened wood;  
Traces of loop-holes still show in the walls  
Whilst softly across them the sun light falls  
Around, stretch broad meadows, quiet and green  
Where cattle graze—a fair, tranquil scene.

Those old towers tell of a time long past  
When the red man roamed o'er these regions vast,  
And the settlers—men of bold heart and brow,  
Had to use the sword as well as the plough;