

NOTE.—When I was preparing the paper on “*Military Operations at Quebec, in 1759-60,*” since published in the “*Transactions*” of the Society, I was in correspondence with Dr. Akins, Commissioner of Records, Halifax, N.S., who, in transmitting me, from the Archives of Nova Scotia, a copy of Murray’s letter to Pitt, of 25th May, 1760, directed my attention to the desirableness of procuring, from the English Record Office, a copy of his “*Journal of the Siege,*” to which he refers in his letter, and which, he says, “sets forth, in full, what was done.” Acting on this hint, I had a conversation with the Hon. Joseph Howe, who promised me his aid in the matter. Subsequently, at the suggestion of Mr. Howe, who had consulted Mr. Todd, the Librarian at Ottawa, I addressed a letter to Sir Thomas Hardy, of the Public Record Office, London, and in due course received the following reply :

“PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, 14th March, 1871.

“SIR,—I am directed by Sir Thomas Hardy to inform you, in answer to your letter to him of the 20th ultimo, that, after a very troublesome search, General Murray’s *Journal of the Siege of Quebec, A. D. 1760,* has been found among the papers preserved in this office. He also desires me to say, that if you will empower some one to make a copy for you, he will be happy to allow access to the document in question.

“The Journal is one of considerable length, and if copied *officially* would put you to some expense. Had it been otherwise—that is to say, had the document been a short one—Sir Thomas would have had much pleasure in causing you to be supplied with a transcript without any charge.

“I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

“ALFRED KINGSTON.

“W. J. Anderson, Esq.,  
“Quebec, etc.”

Availing myself of the very courteous offer of Sir Thomas, I secured the services of my friend, Mr. Ralph Heap, of Lincoln’s Inn, who engaged with great zeal in the matter, and in a short time transmitted to me, *free of any charge,* the desired transcript, informing me, at the same time, that it had been *unofficially* copied, through the kindness of Mr. Kingston, who had also had it verified. It has thus reached the Society free of charge, and is now published by it, in accordance with the rule, “without note or comment.”

W. J. ANDERSON.

LIBRARY, LITERARY AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY,  
Quebec, 12th July, 1871.