

this information, it was found necessary to place Mr. Du Calvert in safe-keeping ; and he was accordingly recured without loss of time, but *remained under the impression that the Governor knew nothing of the despatches*, Mr. ———, for his own safety, assuring him that they had been thrown away, so as to be irrecoverably lost. Captain P., who secured Mr. ———, brought the despatches to Quebec, saw them taken from the cane in which they were concealed, and heard them read by Gen. Haldimand, (who observed at the time, that Mr. Du Calvert had, unfortunately for himself, signed his own death-warrant,) is, or rather was last autumn, still living, and has often related the circumstance to the compiler of this, and who knowing neither the compiler of the above "anecdote," nor Gen. Haldimand, nor Mr. Du Calvert, in their lifetime, only relates what he has received, believing it however to be perfectly true. The General may have had good reasons for not bringing Mr. Du Calvert to a public trial, for a traitorous intercourse with the enemy, which might have terminated by the legal forfeiture of his life, perhaps from a spirit of leniency towards Mr. Du Calvert personally, perhaps because the production of the papers necessary to convict him might involve others, whom, everything considered, it was well to leave unmolested, in the uncertainty of matters at the time ; or, possibly, from no other reason than that a promise had been given to Mr. ———, the intercepted bearer of the despatches, that no use should be made of them in bringing Mr. Du Calvert to trial. Be this as it may, it was necessary to put a stop to the intercourse, and for this purpose to secure his person ; and this may account for the sudden manner in which he was taken out of his house at night, and removed by a military guard to Quebec.

[The name of the subject of the foregoing "Anecdote" was *Du Calvet*, and not *Du Calvert*, as printed in the *Y. Courier*.]

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