

been carried on this last campaign had so debauched the soldier, that there was no putting a stop to these without very severe punishment; to avoid which, most probably, they deserted. To put a stop to these disorders, I published a reward of five guineas to any one who would apprehend a deserter, or inform of those who endeavoured to persuade others to desert.

14th.—As drunkenness and theft continued to reign predominant vices in the garrison, highly prejudicial to the service, I recalled all licenses, and ordered for the future every man who was found drunk to receive twenty lashes every morning till he acknowledged where he got it, and forfeit his allowance of rum for six weeks. As I found no place so proper as the Jesuits' college to lodge the provisions, that the Fathers are but few in number, and the Society being in general remarkable for intrigue, I acquainted them of the necessity I was under to take possession of the whole building, and gave them leave to depart when they pleased.

15th.—Having, by the former motions I had made, convinced the enemy I meant nothing further than to establish my advanced posts; and having intelligence they had a very small force between the Cape Rouge and Jacques Cartier, I ordered out Colonel Walsh with a detachment of upwards of seven hundred men, by a night march to surprise the Pointe-au-Tremble, to raise contributions in that parish, and the Ecureuils beyond it, to publish my manifestoes, and, *in terrorem*, to burn the habitations of such as remained yet with the army. But this scheme, through mistake or misapprehension of orders, was effected only in part; and the colonel, having advanced within a mile of Pointe-au-Tremble, retired to the place from whence he departed, after burning a few of the habitations.

16th.—A soldier of the 48th having been tried and convicted this day of robbing a French inhabitant, the instant it was reported the sentence was put in execution, in order, if possible, to put a stop to the scene of villanies which had