

of March of the 1st Division of the Detachment of the 103rd Regiment—and His Excellency is not left any grounds to doubt, the veracity of complaints, that have been preferred from various other Quarters—of Acts of wanton Violence, Insult and Rapine that have disgracefully Marked the Route of this Detachment from Quebec to Cape Santé.—

The emergency of the Service and the difficulty that would now attend the assembling the necessary evidence, alone prevents the further investigation of these occurrences by a General Court Martial, the perpetrators of the Murder having been consigned over to the Civil power for Trial.—

His Excellency cannot suffer so flagrant a violation of the Discipline of the Service to pass without his mark'd censure and Reproof—the original cause of this most disgraceful Conduct is to be looked for in the want of a good system of interior Discipline in the 103rd Regiment, which has sullied the Soldiers Character, and the licentious extent to which it has been suffered to prevail, Is to be attributed to a want of Zealous, and constant exertion on the part of the Officers of the Detachment and most particularly in the want of common attention evinced by the Officer in the immediate Command of the first Division—

(Signed) EDW^d BAYNES
Adjutant General—

Archives, C. 682, p. 289.

From Williams at La Colle to Vincent at Chambly.

La Cole, March 31st 1814

Sir/

I beg leave to acquaint you that I have just received from Major Handcock of the 13th Regiment Commanding at the Block house on La Cole river, a report stating that the out Posts on the roads from Burtonville, and La Cole