

7. *Wednesday.* Was at the levée. The King asked me if there was no dissatisfaction in Switzerland, &c., &c.

Called on Lady Holderness. The Baron dined with me. Was at Hampstead and the Club. General Fairfax told me that he had spoken to the King about Twiss, who had been recommended by the Duke of Richmond to succeed Roy, &c. I spoke to him also of Mathews, but the person is already designated.

8. *Thursday.* My nephew came to breakfast and showed me a bill for £21. 10, drawn on him by Devos. He had in the same way drawn on me for £30 odds without any advice. This conduct must be checked.

9. *Friday.* The two Barons dined with me.

10. *Saturday.* Major Benson came to tell me that he hoped to form a recruiting party for my battalion.

Colonel Miranda, the Barons and Major Benson dined with me and remained till nearly half past 9.

11. *Sunday.* Dined at General Morrison's, where I found Colonel Marsh and the Patison family, who are lodging there.

12. *Monday.* Dined at Mr. Davison's, after having called at the Baron Alvensleben's, who had gone to Windsor. Mr. Nepean, who was there, told me that Lord Dorchester would certainly return next spring, and that probably he would never go back to Canada. General Clarke, of whom he speaks well, is to leave immediately for Quebec. He promised to recommend Mabane in the strongest manner. Davison gave me further confidences, by telling me that Colonel Simpko [Simcoe] was appointed to the new government; that Lord Dorchester had recommended Sir John Johnson in the strongest manner, and Deyce [Dease] to be superintendent of Indian affairs. It will thus be seen that Judge Smith is still at the helm.

13. *Tuesday.* Drew 60 guineas from my bankers. Went to the Duke of Northumberland to recommend young Davison as secretary for General Clarke, but the Duke was out of town.

Captain Prevost, who had already communicated to me his cousin's schemes to obtain a Company, came again this morning. I sent him to Lord Amherst. Learned of the death of Lord Heathfield.

14. *Wednesday.* Was at Lord Amherst's and spoke to him of Prevost. Then went to the Court; the levée was crowded. I took the opportunity of speaking to the Secretary of War, who seems much prepossessed in favour of Prevost and that he had intended to speak to me before doing anything for him.

15. *Thursday.* Was at the Court, which was pretty full for the season. I spoke to Lord Sydney about Prevost; he asked if he had come to see me, and seemed a little embarrassed. The Mandrots and my nephew dined with me.

16. *Friday.* Walked a great deal and came home very much fatigued. General Grenville, Budé and the Baron dined with me. I sent an apology to Baron Alvensleben.

17. *Saturday.* Was at St. Mary Axe and at Mandrot's to carry him some pieces of lustre for Captain Traytorrens.

The Baron told me that an express to Government had arrived which left Paris on the 14th at five in the evening, which stated that every thing was perfectly quiet. Mr. Prevost called; he spoke a great deal without mentioning his schemes to get a company. I informed him that Lord Amherst would probably require him to rejoin his battalion immediately. He wished to wait to ascertain if war would be declared or troops sent, so that he might have a passage to cost him nothing. This is the second theme of the late General de Pisinge,