



# Royal Military College of Canada

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Thomas H. Raddall, Esq.,  
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Dear Mr. Raddall,

I am making some enquiries about the Perkins Journal which you used in His Majesties' Yankees and part of which was recently published by the Champlain Society.

Dr. Harvey has passed to me some information which he received from you about the early history of the diary as far as you knew it when he wrote to you.

I gather that when the diary was received around 1900 no one checked it to see if it was complete and that after that time there was some carelessness in its protection.

On the other hand, in 1913 and 1914, the only portion which is now missing was in the control of Liverpool, N.S. and was reproduced in transcript. That portion has been lost since 1914.

I wonder whether you can throw any more light on the matter than that which you have already given to Dr. Harvey

Also, do you know anything about the existence of Simeon Perkins' Letter Books which were with the diary in 1914?

Lastly, is the diary now kept with reasonable protection by the Town of Liverpool?

I would be very grateful for any information which you can give me.

Yours sincerely,

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