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My dear Mr Raddall,

During our tele phone conversation this morning I should have mentioned that your "Halifax", warden of the North, had given us much enjoyment, from its parts about Prince William, whom Captain Thornbrough had as his midshipman whilst on the "Hebe", and he later received an engraved sword from "Billy" when King William the IV but obviously he had not controlled his "joie de vie".

Admiral Thornbrough was from 1815-1818 Commander in chief at Portsmouth, in 1815 a K.C.B. and in 1825 a G.C.B. and a vice admiral of the United Kingdom in 1833, He died in 1834 at his residence Bishops Teigton and is buried in Exeter Cathedral, His son was a rear-admiral, Edward Le Croc Thornbrough and he died in 1857 childless, so the sword, letters patent and freedoms etc were left by will to his sisters daughter.

* when he was at sea, Lady Ann Mansel died, and the estates which comprised Strady (Ystrad) Borelley in Wales were taken by the lawyer, Mr. Lady Ann still haunts Strady.

Maria Ann Parker, who had married Daniel Sheven, Lieut R.N.*, her brother Captain Edward Thornbrough Parker, had been wounded in action of Boulogne in 1801, "Lord Howe had sent his own surgeon to attend him" and Lord Nelson had been one of the chief mourners at his funeral, he is buried at Deal.

The museum had no later volumes than 52, of the Nova Scotia Historical society, so I telephoned Dr. Ferguson and he told me of your article of the "Blonde" being incorporated into "Footsteps on Old Floors" The Library had one, but not yet ready for circulation, they were most helpful and let me read it there, and told me that it could be obtained at Classics on King Street where I rushed and was fortunate to obtain their last copy, which I would be most pleased if you would autograph for my brother, Thornbrough S. Millidge a great great-great grand nephew of the then Captain Thornbrough, later, vice-admiral Sir Edward Thornbrough G.C.B.

I am most touched by the plea of Sarah Adams and so would like to locate at least one of her descendants, and to give them one of the freedoms (the sterling silver boxes were

sent to England ~~to~~^{to} my ~~great~~^{3. grand} uncle Brig. General Mansel Shewen of Brockhurst, Hampshire, to use as cigarette boxes)

Wonder that I had money a more tangible mark of appreciation would be forthcoming but as a lawsuit that lasted over twenty years between my great great grandfathers and their cousin William Hazen, as an article about them by the N. B. Historical society says "a shame that such bitterness was expressed by James White". It really was quite naughty of him to be annoyed because his cousin got the better of him.

There was a part of a letter in the archives of the N. B. museum that referred in part to "The dastardly act of Father Hazen" Mrs Robinson brought it to my attention wonder if it had any more information that was destroyed.

Unfortunately I married a Hazen, and did not fare much better, so I live with my brother, ~~and~~ I am sure that he will visit Seal Island and Brig Rock in July, for, after reading your book, he cancelled a proposed trip to the Cabot Trail.

* and I gather his daughter Mary married John Howe, Joseph's father?
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In the March 1968 Atlantic Advocate, Lloyd Meier has an interesting article on "Fort Howe" but they have great grandfathers picture James White jr's instead of his father James White senior, who was Michael Franklins Deputy Indian agent and who faced either one hundred war canoes - or one hundred Indians alone. I cant remember which.

Hoping that you will one day turn your talents to a history of this area, (They now want to forget ^{Simmons} Hazen & White were here in 1762 ~~7~~ and have Fort La Tour which was on the same site ^{but} earlier as the central attraction) The only ^{important} one is by Dr Raymond edited by Dr Webster in 1950 and out of print and its so jumpy its more like a math problem than a history.

Thanking you for the interesting hours your books have given us, and your wife for the understanding that made them possible.

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