

Service & M^r McQueen¹⁶ comanded the party that fired Doct^r Gamble¹⁷ also attended in his Place. He is Buried Next to M^{rs} McLean & with your approbation I think a Red Ceder Picketing would be the best which shall Be done when I hear from you which I wish May be soon. I should think the best way would be to let the Howse for the Present if It can be don and to have somthing done to the Garden at all events. his Nephew is here at Present and I shall recomend him to come to consult with you what he is to do if he could be serviceable in colecting any property that may be out you will I sepose employ Him. there is little Prospect of him getting any thing unless affairs are much better than I expect At the time the Chieff Justice was here last year the Howse was Mortgaged to M^r Gray for at least 170 pounds Hallifax and as the will was made before that I am afraid that the house will be obliged to be sold. in overhauling his Papers perhaps somthing may appear that May give us information. I shall wait your Instructions respecting every thing that is to be done in the matter. M^r Allan¹⁸ I should think will be a Proper person to take the Inve[n]tory of the effects as he was well acquainted with our late friend and as he is Nottary Public M^r Allen Informs me that the doct^r mentioned to him in his lifetime that he wished his Nephew to have all his wearing Apperal. the Man who Waited on him in his last Illness cannot be sufficiently Rewarded for his attention. Please write me your sentiments on the above and any thing that may Accrue [occur] to you as I am very lame in the Bussness.

My Best respects to M^{rs} Askin and all the rest of your

in the St. John's Church Register disclose that he married Mary Ann Allan Gamble on June 22, 1802, and that sons were born to the couple, Dec. 5, 1803, and Feb. 6, 1805.

¹⁶ Alexander McQueen became an ensign in the Queen's Rangers, Dec. 7, 1796. See British army list for year 1800. The St. John's Church Register records the birth, Nov. 15, 1801, of Mary Flora, daughter of Alexander and Grace McQueen, and of a son, William, born, March 3, 1803. In the Register the name is variously spelled McQueen, McGuin, and Maguire.

¹⁷ John Gamble became surgeon in the Queen's Rangers, July 6, 1796. On June 22, 1802, a daughter of John and Isabella Elizabeth Gamble, Jane Smith Gamble, was baptized at St. John's Church. On the same day occurred the marriage of Lieut. John S. Sinclair and Mary Ann Allan Gamble, apparently an older daughter of John and Isabella Gamble. On April 20, 1804, Surgeon James Geddes married Sarah Hannah Bois Gamble, presumably another daughter of John and Isabella. See St. John's Church Register.

¹⁸ Apparently James Allan, whose career is noted in *B. H. R.*, I, 307.