

Use a British accent for all the Martha and Sally lines below. We are looking for acting abilities for different types of emotion.

At a dinner party:

MARTHA CUSTIS (to Governor)

Governor, I do not mean to pry but, he is only a boy. Do ye not have more qualified, experienced officers than he to be placed in such a critical capacity.

SALLY (to husband)

The other guests have no desire to have their minds filled with tiresome drivel about things that do not matter.

BELVOIR PARLOR - NIGHT

Distracted by the telescope, George William sets down his luggage. He notices that the telescope is not pointed toward Mount Vernon, but at the moon, and he looks through the viewfinder.

SALLY

Are ye looking for the moon, darling?

GEORGE WILLIAM

Sally, you are here!

SALLY

Of course I am here.

GEORGE WILLIAM

Why are ye sitting alone in the dark?

SALLY

I couldn't sleep, so I was just reading, when I heard your carriage.

George William walks over to the table and looks at the manuscript.

GEORGE WILLIAM

Cato? A marvelous play.

SALLY

'Tis full of the most wonderful romance.

GEORGE WILLIAM

The most wonderful romance, indeed.

George William pours himself a drink.

GEORGE WILLIAM (CONT'D)

How is George Washington these days?

I have heard that he has once again taken up his post in the military.

SALLY

I have not seen him in months, darling.

GEORGE WILLIAM

Sally, how I have missed you so.

In truth, I did not know whether ye would be here tonight.

SALLY

I have been waiting for your return, and I have not slept well since ye left.

GEORGE WILLIAM

It has been a taxing journey. Shall we get some rest,

my darling? He begins to lead her upstairs.

SALLY

We shall. Now, tell me about your journey.

GEORGE WILLIAM

Well, you would simply not believe

what was printed in the London Times.