

The round Tower at the West End of this Line, was 29 Foot high : The Wall on the East Line was 12 Foot high, on the North 10, and on the West 18. It stood 20 Rod from High-Water Mark, and was Garrison'd with 60 and sometimes 100 Men. The Expence in building and maintaining this Garrison was considerable, yet the Province chearfully submitted to it ; nor did they decline rebuilding it, after it was surpriz'd and demolish'd by the *French*, for any other reason, but that it was found by Experience, the Enemy could come many Miles wide of it, and attack their Frontiers. They therefore built Forts at *Saco* and *Casco*, and other Places most expos'd which answer'd the same End.

By this Care the Power of the Enemy was very much broke, and the King's Province of *New-Hampshire* from whence the Royal Navy is annually supply'd with Masts, has been preserv'd, which otherwise must have unavoidably been lost, being unable to help it self, and receiving no Succours from Home. *New-York*, another of the King's Provinces, has always kept it self in a State of Neutrality, contributing nothing to the common Safety, whilst the *Canada Indians* join'd by Partis of the *French*, us'd to make their Route by their Borders without molesting them, and fall upon the Out Towns of the *Massachusetts*. This Behaviour was the more unpardonable in that Government, because they have 400 regular Troops maintain'd among them at the King's Charge, and have the five Nations of the *Iroquise* on their Confines, who are entirely dependant on them, and might easily, had they been engag'd in the common Cause, at all Times have intercepted the Enemy in their Marches, and thereby have prevented the Depredations committed on his Majesty's Subjects. Solemn and repeated Applications were made to the Government of *New-York*, by the Governours of the *Massachusetts*, *Connecticut*, and *Rhode Island*, in joint Letters on this Subject, but in vain. The Answer was they could not think it proper to engage their *Indians* in an actual War, lest they should endanger their own Frontiers, and bring upon themselves an Expence which they were in no Condition to provide for. And thus the poor Charter Colonies were left to bear the whole Burden, and do all the Work themselves.

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