

## APPENDIX.

*sufficient to induce them to make a point of recovering Quebec, whatever it cost them.\**

It is not to be wonder'd at, that these reasons prevailed in the court of France. It were needless to observe how punctually the French have regarded them ever since; particularly in *sending over a number of families and some soldiers every year, with some women*, that they might extend themselves gradually as they *encreased*; or, in other words, make encroachments upon us; and, in conjunction with the savages, *keep us from becoming too powerful in North America*. At the same time, these things, and the French acting all along upon these maxims, without any regard to justice, humanity or honor, equally show that our repeated struggles and efforts to retake Quebec, tho' not by way of *treaty*, as they did, and as they have taken many other places first and last, but by force of arms, were not without sufficient grounds. Whether the same reasons will, or will not, hold equally good for maintaining Quebec to the last, or at any rate *whatever* within the bounds of justice, belongs not to us to determine.— There are others who know far better, what *can*, and what is *fit* to be done, than we can pretend to; in whose wisdom, integrity and patriotism, we may safely confide, as it is our duty to do.

I FEAR I have been too long in this introductory part of the appendix: But the best apology that can be made, is to proceed directly to the proposed narrative.

THE first of the two former expeditions against Quebec and Canada, of which some account was to be given, was in the reign of K. William III. sixty-nine years ago, viz. A. D. 1690. No British troops were employed therein. But the people of New-England, having been continually molested by the Canadians, and the Indians in their interest; and having been very successful this same year in reducing Port-Royal, now Annapolis, with all Nova-Scotia, resolved on this more important and arduous enterprize

\* “Enfin, que le seul motif d’empêcher les Anglois de se rendre trop puissans dans cette partie de l’Amérique, en joignant les deux bords du Fleuve S. Laurent à tant d’autres provinces, où ils avoient déjà de bons établissemens, étoit plus que suffisant pour nous engager à recouvrer Quebec, à quelque prix que ce fût.” Hist. et Description de la N. France, Tome I. Liv. IV.

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