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portance of which I shall next proceed to shew.

The French have upon all occasions, during the late war, demonstrated the great desire they had of being again masters of Nova Scotia, by their frequent attempts to reduce it.

Upon the first declaration of the war they took Canseau, and burnt it, and then came immediately and laid siege to Annapolis Royal; and had it not been timely reinforced from New England, would certainly have taken it, as the garrison at that time