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entire History of our Country: And we hope that they who come after us will take the like Case in their Times for the Children which shall be born.

Let it suffice in praise of the Narrative, if the Facts related be true and exact, and that the Style be familiar, plain and easy, as all Historical Memoirs should be writ. As to the Truth of it, none (I suppose) will have any doubt to whom the Author is known; and to whom among us it is not known? Or by whom among the lovers of the Country it is not esteemed for his affectionate regards unto the religious and civil Liberties of it?

The Reverend Dr. Mather wrote the Remarkables of the Eastern War before this, from the year 1688. unto the year 1698. ten years, wherefore he called his Book, Decennium Luctuosum. This Book may claim the like Title, for the first War here related, from August the 10th 1702. to the 12th of July 1713. did also continue just ten years.

To these ten years of Trouble and Distress the Author has added an Account of another but shorter War of three years, from July 25. 1722. to December 15. 1725. When the Salvages by their Delegates renewed their Submission, and signed Articles of Peace in the Council-Chamber in Boston; for the lasting effects whereof we are humbly waiting on a Gracious GOD with our earnest Prayers. And we owe abundant Praises to his Holy Name for the great Successes, with which he has been pleased to crown the Counsels and Arms of the Province in this last short War; to the humbling the insolent Enemy and bringing them so soon to sue for the Peace which they had broken. Not unto us, O LORD! not to us; but to thy Name give Glory; for thy Mercy and for thy Truth sake!

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