That the French who must allways be our Rivals in Trade, often our open Enemies, should take every Opportunity of gaining the Affection of the Indians, and of misrepresenting us, I expect as a Thing of Course; it belongs to us to defeat their Endeavours, whether fair or fraudulent, and by wise Regulations, honest dealing, and by Kind Treatment to attach them to us, and avail ourselves of those extensive Channels of Trade, to enlarge our Commerce to the utmost—

Your Complaints of the Canadians, by which Name I distinguish the Subjects of the King our Master, acquired by the Conquest of this Province, are so general, that I can only make my Enquiries, and speak to them in as general a Manner; When I talk here of that Perfidy, false Stories, or Views of exciting an Indian War, you complain of, they appeal to Colonel Glad-