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Crown-Point, whose Capture was the Object of general Hope, and for which this Season was particularly defigned, was unmolested, unattempted. The French, it is true, were now greatly increased in Numbers; but that could be no Obstacle, as we had still a sufficient Force to send against it.

By what strange Fatality then!—by what unaccountable Negligence, or unreasonable Cowardice, did we leave the Design of reducing that Fort unexecuted? The strictest Enquiry, I believe, would produce nothing more than Astonishment; for