

*sideration of the Expence; and this is the more obvious, and important, as they will always be exposed to the Attacks of the French, from the Neighbourhood of Cape Breton.*

*I must here beg the Reader's Indulgence for saying a Word in Support of my Remarks on that Island.*

*I am sensible that a high Opinion has been conceived of its Worth, and with good Reason, from the concurrent Accounts of both English and French Writers; but as the former have been principally copied from the latter, their Veracity may be fairly called in Question: This I have a Right to do, from the exactest Information I could obtain on the Spot, and I can safely appeal to the most intelligent Persons, who have resided there long enough to make proper Observations, to confirm what I have advanced.*

*By fortifying Nova Scotia, by encouraging the Importation of its Produce to be wrought up here, and promoting the Fishery in Time of Peace; by stationing a proper Naval Force there, and on the Coast of New-England in Time of War, this Kingdom may secure to itself all the Advantages that could have arose from the Possession of Louisbourg, at a less Expence than would have been requisite for keeping so large a Fortrefs in Repair, and defending it with a proper Garrison.*

*Settling of the Cape Sable Shore, will undoubtedly make a Winter's Cod-Fishery practicable, and may soon become more considerable than any that has ever been prosecuted, and as the Fish caught and cured in that Season exceeds all others, they will of course come to a better Market in all Parts of the World.*

• Otis Little.