

Governors of *New England* and *New Hampshire*, Colonel *Vetch*, the eldest Colonel of the Land Forces raised in those Parts, as also the Major of the Marines, and Captain *Martin* himself, with three others of the Senior Sea-Captains.

And since the Queen, by Her Majesty's Instructions to Colonel *Nicholson*, had been pleased to direct, that when the Quotas of the aforementioned Provinces were ready to embark, it should be consider'd at a Council of War, how it might be most proper to attack, and reduce *Port Royal*, the Lords of the Admiralty enjoined the Commadore of the Squadron carefully to put in Execution what should be so resolv'd, by proceeding with the Ships accordingly, and giving his best Assistance in the landing, and transporting the Troops, and in the taking them on board again when there should be occasion; and, if it should be found necessary, he was to cause the Marine Soldiers belonging to the Ships to be put on shore, in addition to the four hundred carried from hence in the Transports.

When the Place was reduced, or that it should be found that all was done which possibly could be with the Ships and Land-Forces, he was to order the *Chester*, *Lowestoff*, and *Feversham*, to return to their proper Stations at *New England* and *New York*, and himself with the other Ships and the *Star Bomb-Vessel* to repair to *Jamaica*, together with the two Transports, and the Marine Officers and Soldiers, that so the Commander in Chief of the Squadron there might endeavour by them to man the *Kingston* and *Coventry*, with which, and the other Ships under his Command, he was to repair without loss of time to *England*.

Pursuant to these Instructions Captain *Martin* failed on his Voyage, and all things being settled at *New England* for the Attempt of *Port Royal*, he proceeded from *Nantasket* Road the 18th of September, with the *Dragon*, *Falmouth*, and *Lowestoffe*, *Feversham*, *Star Bomb-Vessel*, the Province Gally, two Hospital Ships, thirty one Transports, and two thousand Land-Forces, having sent the *Chester* before, to endeavour to intercept any Supplies which the Enemy might attempt to send to *Port Royal*, and on the 24th in the Afternoon he anchored at the Entrance of that Harbour, from whence standing soon after nearer in towards the Fort, between *Goat Island* and the North side of the said Harbour, a Council of War was called, and pursuant to what was agreed, the small Embarcations, and Boats were gotten ready to receive the Men, and put them on shore.

On the 25th, about Six in the Morning, Colonel *Vetch* and Colonel *Reding*, with fifty Men each, together with Mr. *Forber*, the Engineer, went on shore to view the Ground for landing the Troops, and soon after Colonel *Nicholson* himself was with the Body of the Men landed, the Enemy firing at the Boats in which they were, from their Cannon and Mortars, but with no great Success.

Colonel *Vetch*, with five hundred Men on the North side, so lined the Shore, as that he protected the landing of the Cannon, Ammunition, and Stores; and the Mortar being fixed on board the Bomb-

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