

their minister; of the captives they killed at times about twenty-one when unfit for travel.

Anno 1704, June, Caleb Lyman, at Cowassuck on Connecticut river, with one Englishman and five Mohegan Indians, killed eight enemy Indians out of nine; our assembly gave them a reward of 31*l*. Major Church, with 550 volunteers, visits Penobscot, Mount Desert, Pesamaquady, and Minas of Nova Scotia, but made no attempt upon Port-Royal; he brought away many prisoners. M. Boocore, with two missionaries and 700 French and Indians, designed an incursion upon New-England, but from differences amongst themselves they dispersed; some of them consorted and did damage at Lancaster, Groton, Amesbury, Haverhill, Exeter, Oyster-river, Dover, &c. In the winter, colonel Hilton, with 270 men, visits Noridgwoag, but found no Indians. In the winter seasons the Indians do not so much damage as formerly; the English having got into the use of raquettes or snow-shoes. A French privateer shallop was cast away upon Plymouth shore; a storeship for Canada was taken by an English Virginia fleet. The French from Placentia do damage, 1704 and 1705, in several English harbours in Newfoundland [s]. Captain Crapoa, in a French privateer, carries eight of our fishing-vessels to Port-Royal of Nova Scotia.

Anno 1706, the Indians do damage at Oyster-river, in April. In July, 270 French and Indians made incursions at Dunstable, Amesbury, Kingston, Chelmsford, Exeter, Groton, Reading, and Sudbury. Captain Rous, with a flag of truce, was sent to Port-Royal of Nova Scotia to negotiate prisoners; his management was faulted [t]. Mr. Sheldon was sent to Canada twice to redeem captives. Colonel Hilton, with 220 men, ranges the eastern frontiers, and killed many Indians. About this time the premiums for Indian scalps and

[s] See p. 290.

[t] See p. 307.