

Extract of a LETTER from St. John's, Newfoundland, October 28, 1765.

“ Dear Sir,

“ I Wrote you Word, some Time ago, that about 300 of the *Nova Scotia* or *Mickmack Indians* had got over to this Island, and had landed in the Bay of *Despair*, to the Westward; and we did suppose they were making the best of their Way to the *French* at their two Islands, *Miquelon* and *St. Peter's*: Since which, I am informed that about 150 *Acadians*, who did not chuse to take the Oaths, are gone and settled at *Miquelon*—don't you see what all this tends to? Is it not clear that the *French* are using every Stratagem to make the *Indians* believe that they will still be able to support them? And do they not take every Opportunity of shewing their Men of War as far up the River *St. Laurence* as possible? All the *French* Men of War were loaded with Goods of various Kinds, some Part of which was for Presents for the *Indians*, and the rest to smuggle for our Fish. Their Men of War were often seen on the Banks by our Fishermen; then they disappeared for a Time,
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