

therefore, *will we boast all the Day long, and praise his Name for ever and ever* [d].

Secondly. A proper Return also for Successes vouchsafed us is, to bear with becoming Fortitude any Checks or Disappointments which may be given to our Arms; and to encourage ourselves by an humble Trust in Divine Providence, for the future.

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[d] Though the Conduct and Valour both of our Commanders and our Troops, in the late Conquest of *Cape-Breton*, merits great Praise; yet that *not to these* that Event is *principally* to be ascribed, seems evident from the Account of that Affair given by a Gentleman, dated from on board the *Burford*, *Louisbourg* Harbour, *July 28. 1758.*--- who says, “ The Enemy had made
 “ such strong Entrenchments all along the Shore, &c.
 “ that if they had defended them with as much Bravery, as they had been judiciously made, we might
 “ have lost most of our Army, but could not have
 “ forced them. But some *lucky unforeseen Circumstances*
 “ co-operating with a Bravery and Ardor in our Officers and Soldiers, which deserve the highest Admiration and Praise; together with the pusillanimous and
 “ dastardly Behaviour of the Enemy: or to judge more
 “ favourably, as they excuse themselves, being beyond
 “ Measure surprised (as judging the Descent absolutely
 “ impracticable) a *Pannic* having seized their Troops;
 “ all concurring, rendered the Landing (which might
 “ have been most unfortunate) a most happy Event;
 “ and a Subject of Surprise and Admiration.”