

Exclusive of smaller articles this cargo was certainly of a bulk, which required many ships to carry it: And without the aid of the United States it will not be easy to find an adequate supply for so large a demand. Canada and Nova Scotia, for some years before the revolt, had furnished the British West-Indies with some lumber of the various kinds. Both these colonies had however been depressed by too powerful competitors and both continued feeble; the one from its paucity of people; the other from the inveteracy of its habits: And both wanted what it is of the greatest consequence for every community to possess, *energy* and *capital*. The face of both countries, however extensive, is luxuriantly covered with timber trees, and both are every where intersected by navigable rivers: In Canada the people had before the revolt erected great numbers of saw-mills of a cheap and commodious construction: In Nova Scotia it is hoped the settlers, by following now their example will ere long convert their extensive forests into fruitful fields. Canada has been lately confined within narrower bounds, which will restrain the accustomed roving of its woodsmen; who as they encrease in numbers will want employment; and who will therefore direct their future diligence to domestic occupations with the force, which compression always produces. The extensive shores of the Bay of Fundy (where the proper wood for lumber abounds with even the white oak, so prized for its closeness of grain) have

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