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To account for the "1100" persons that Murray got rid of, one might reasonably suppose that several Acadians from the Piziquid District were embarked at Rivière-des-Gaspereaux on board of some of the nine transports which Winslow had already filled up with people of his own Districts.

We have seen that of the seven transports which arrived at Mines Basin, on the 10th of October, from Annapolis, three were ordered to Fort Edward. The four others, namely the *Hannah*, *Sally* and *Molly*, *Prosperous* and *Swan* were used by Winslow to ship the people of his Districts. He had besides these vessels, the *Indeavour*, *Industry*, *Mary*, *Elizabeth* and *Leopard*—It must be remembered that on the 10th September, 141 young men and 89 married men were embarked on board of them. To these 230 persons were added 100 more, later on.

After having been assured by Lawrence that the transports which were at Annapolis would be sent to Mines Basin, Winslow began to make preparations to embark the Acadians. And under date of October 6, he has the following entry in his Journal: "With The advice of My Captains Made a Division of the Villages and Concluded, that "as many of the Inhabitants of Each as Could be Commodod Should Proceed in the "Same Vessel and That whole Familys go together, and Sent Orders to the Several "Familys to hold themselves in readiness to Embarke with all their Household goods "acc. but Even now Could not Perswade the People I was in Earnest."

"October 8th—began to Embarke the Inhabitants who went of Very Solentarily and "unwillingly, the women in great Distress Carrying off Their Children In their arms. "Others Carrying their Decript Parents in their Carts and all their Goods Moving in "Great Confusion and appeared a Scen of woe and Distress. Fild up Church and Mil- "lury, with about Eighty Families."

"October 9th—Removed the several men that were Embarked in the Three Differ- "ent Vessels So as to Commode Each Neighbourhood for their Familys to Joyn them "when the other Transportes arived."

By the above two quotations from Winslow's Journal, we are told that eighty families were embarked, on the 8th of October, on board the *Leopard* and the *Elizabeth* which vessels were in Mines Basin since the beginning of September, and also that the several men embarked in the three different vessels were removed. One must conclude, therefore, that the "three different vessels" in question, had on board of them 330 persons, and that these transports were the *Indeavour*, the *Industry* and the *Mary*, which had arrived on the 30th of August, from Boston. Therefore a transfer must have taken place, since the 10th of September, of the men married or unmarried, that were then embarked on board the *Leopard* and the *Elizabeth*.

On the 11th of October, Winslow, in a letter to Lawrence, says: "have completed "Two vessels with their Complements." These were the *Leopard* and the *Elizabeth* which, on the 13th, received their sailing orders from Winslow, as will be seen by the extracts from his Journal as Appendix B. In Captain Church's orders, it is stated that his schooner the *Leopard* has on board "One Hundred and Seventy-four Men women and Children, being part of the French Inhabitants of the Province of Nova Scotia." He is commanded to take his "Passangers" to Maryland. In a list given by Winslow himself, of the names of the vessels, their destination, and the numbers of persons on board of each, the *Leopard* has 178 persons, which it would appear, is the correct number. The *Elizabeth* with 186 persons on board was ordered to the same place. Another document tells us that, the number of Acadians deported by the *Elizabeth* was 242. Evidently the additional 56 were embarked after the 13th of October. The total number on board these two vessels was 420, and these were from Grand Pré village. The remainder of the inhabitants of that village and those of Rivière-des-Gaspereaux were put on board the following vessels, namely the *Swan*, 168; the *Hannah*, 140; and *Sally* and *Molly*, 154, in all 462, which added to the 420 others give the grand total of 882 persons shipped from Grand Pré village and Rivière-des-Gaspereaux. The *Swan* and the *Hannah* took their human cargoes to Philadelphia, and the *Sally* & *Molly* landed hers in Williamsburg, Virginia.

On the 19th of October, the other four remaining transports went up the Rivière-des-Mines (to-day Cornwallis) to Pointe-des-Boudrot, and there 182 persons were em-