

The *French* Governor, upon receiving this Proposal, acquainted the *English* Officers with it; and let them know, he should accede to it, upon their giving their Parole, that neither they nor the Soldiers should serve against the *French* for the Space of one Year after the Expiration of that, for which they had agreed by the Articles of Capitulation to remain Prisoners: And upon their objecting to it, he told them, that as their remaining at *Louisbourg* would be inconvenient, he should, if they did not accept of these new Terms, be obliged to send them to *Quebec*, from whence it would be impracticable for them to get Home long before the time, he proposed to them.

Though the *French* Governor's exacting from the Officers this new Agreement, whereby the King was to be deprived of the Service of his Troops one Year longer than they had surrendered themselves for, was a manifest Infringement of the Articles of the Capitulation, and what the Officers had no right to consent to; yet they thought it for his Majesty's Service to submit to it; and accordingly gave their Parole; upon which the Troops were sent to *Boston*.

Upon the Arrival of the Officers there the Governor of the *Massachusetts Bay* gained such Intelligence of the State of *Louisbourg*, as with other Motives induced him to entertain a Design of forming an Expedition against it early in the succeeding Year.

These Motives were as follows;

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