

a lawful Acquisition, has been pleased to submit the Points in Question to an amicable Negotiation, by Commissaries sent to *Paris* for that Purpose soon after the Treaty of *Aix-la-Chapelle*, hoping by this Means to settle the same Tranquility in *America*, as had been happily established in *Europe*: But if all Endeavours to so salutary an End should prove fruitless, and these Disputes be brought to such Extremities, as to require a more disagreeable Method of Decision, still we have the Consolation of appealing to the Rest of Mankind in Vindication of our Claim, justified as it is, by the most evident Proofs and convincing Arguments. Hence it becomes necessary that the Publick should be acquainted with the true State of His Majesty's Title; and the more so, since the *French* have published partial Representations of the Dispute between us, by printing their Memorials without the *English* Reply; and, together with them, distributing a Treatise, entitled, *A Summary Discussion of the Ancient Limits of Acadie*, in order to prejudice all the Courts of *Europe* in Favour of their unjustifiable Pretensions. To obviate therefore the wrong Impressions that these might create, it has been thought expedient to print at *London*, an Edition of *All* the Memorials upon this Point; but these being very Voluminous, it may be proper, for the Satisfaction of such as have not Leisure to examine

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