

SESSIONAL PAPER No. 18

oxen, Horses, Cows, Sheep, and all Cattle whatsoever which were the Property of the French Inhabitants are become forfeit to his Majesty wherefore no Bargain on any Pretence whatsoever for the Purchase of sd Cattle will be allowed of. The officers are Desired to acquaint the men that they are not to Strole from their Camp and that no Cattle are to be Kild or Destroyed as they belong to his Majesty. The above orders to be read at the Head of each Company.

T. MONCREIFFE.

To Lievt. Colo Winslow,
or officer Commanding in }
Camp.

This Day [October 11th] was one Exstrodinary to the Inhabitants of Tantamar, Wescoak, Olake, Bay of Verte Beausejour & Places adjatent the Male Inhabitants or the Principal of them being Colected together In Forte Cumberland To hear the Sentence which Determind their Property from The Govr & Council of Halifax, which was that they were Declared rebels. There Lands Goods & Chattels Forfitt to the Crown and their Bodys to be Imprisoned. upon which the Gates of the Forte was Shut & they all Confined to the amount of Four Hundred men & upwards.

Majr Preble, Capt. Speakman and the Party with them ordered to Wescoat, Tantamar, &c., to Secure all males in these Places upwards of sixteen.

Majr Bourn with his Party having with him Capt. Bayley ordered to take with them 150 french Prisoners, march to Forte Lawrence & Take the Command Thereof and Secure the Prisoners there.

Capt. Cobb Saild yesterday from Forte Cumberland to take the Male Inhabitants of Shepody but returned without Effecting anything they all being Fled into the woods.

Augst 13th, Yesterday Capt. Perry returned with his party from Olake & Brought with him Eleven Frenchmen Prisoners who were Confined under our Gaurd all night and this morning Sent to Forte Cumberland and Majr Preble this Day returned and Brought only Three of the Male Inhabitants all the rest being Fled into the woods. The whole number in the Two Fortes are 420 men.

Augst 16th, This Day Imbarked my Company on Board ye Warren, Capt. Adams, Osgoods with Lievt Crooker on Board the York Preble and Adams and remains of Hcdgkins all bound for Piziquid.

August 18th. Came to Sail and stood up the River Piziquid to Forte Edward at which we arrived at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon Found it to be a Fine Pleasant Situation. The Forte of no Great Strength, waited on Capt Murray and Dined with him & the Gents the officers, and from whome I reced the following Minnets Directed to Capt Murray viz.

MEMORANDUM FOR CAPT MURRAY.

That he use his Utmost Endeavor to Prevent the Inhabitants or any of them from Escaping out of the Country.

That he prevent as Much as in him lyes their removing their Effects or Hiding them in the woods, to order the Inhabitants to proceed in their Cutting their Hay and Corn and in all their Husbandry affairs as they were to remain in the Country otherwise they will be Treated with the Utmost Severity when they Come to Embarque. To Keep Parties Continually Scouring the Country for that Purposses aforementioned and to get Information of Everything that Passes among the Inhabitants who now will be Employed Chiefly in Scheming and Intreguing.

That if Capt. Murray Suspects the Inhabitants having Fire Arms stil amongst them he is to use his Utmost Endeavor to lay his hands on them, when the Inhabitants remove they will be allowd to Carry nothing with them but their money and Household Furniture that they be Kept in the Dark as to their Destination as Much as may be for they Should be of the Opinion Privately (and I believe they Certainly are) that the Government will not after all remove them from their Possessions they have the