

They ought therefore to dispose themselves equally to depart, in certain cases, from what might appear an absolute right, when it can be done with safety. The court of Great-Britain, is ready to give proof of its good disposition on this occasion, whenever it is consistent with prudence, and its safety; upon the presumption that it will meet with the same good intentions on the part of France.

ARTICLE I.

Of the Limits of Acadia.

WHatever reason France may have to imagine that Acadia ought to be limited to this part of the Peninsula which extends from cape Fourchu, or from cape Sable to cape Canseau, grounded upon what is alledged in the Memorials of its commissaries of the 4th of October, 1751; it were to be wished that a greater attention had been paid to the reply made to that memorial, and given in by the English commissaries above two years ago.

To this, France makes no other answer *

* An Answer has been made since to this Reply, by a Memorial which is to be soon published. The proceedings of the English might have dispensed (the Commissaries of his Majesty) with this labour: but France owes to its own Glory, the care which she takes to expose, to the eyes of the Universe, both the justice of her Rights, and the regularity of her Steps.

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