

carriage, if every Circumstance had not fallen right on our Side, and every Measure on the Side of the *French* been defeated; if all Supplies to carry it on had not arrived, and all those to the Enemies been intercepted; these, I say, sufficiently demonstrate, that this Place may be made impregnable by us, if we do but keep there a good Garrison, well supplied, and a few Men of War always in or about the Harbour.

12. That by the Possession of this Place we may render the *French* Settlement in *Canada* of no Value, and must in time make it die away, tho' we should not succeed against it in open military Attempts; and that, by being Masters of *Canada* we shall monopolize the whole Fur Trade of *North-America*, which is, perhaps, next to the Fishery the most valuable in that Part of the World.

13. That all these Things observed, no Consideration whatsoever, either for ourselves or for our Allies; no Cession in *Europe* or any other Part of *America*; no advantageous Stipulations in a divided Trade (which we never yet found binding, longer than Interest or Necessity held the Tie); not the Terror of a Rebellion in *Scotland*, fomented and supported in that View, by *French* and *Spanish* Money; nothing, in a Word, that *France*, *Spain*, or any of their Friends, can give, promise, or engage for, should prevail upon us to give up, at a general Peace, either wholly or in Part, the important, invaluable Island of *CAPE BRETON*.

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