

Ancient Allies of the *English*; so that nothing less than the united Care and Wisdom of the several *English* Governments was able to prevent those warlike and powerful Tribes from forsaking the *English*, and joining the Enemy. Had they once got Possession of *Nova-Scotia*, a Country capable of receiving, supporting, and strengthening such Forces as should come from *France*, where they might more easily pour in their Succours at all times, as Occasions required; by uniting, encreasing, and continually exerting their Strength; they might and doubtless would have made our Colonies a Scene of Slaughter and Confusion, destroying some and distressing all; and raising their Interest upon the ruins of the *English*. In short, had *Nova-Scotia* been lost to us, and *Cape Breton* preserv'd to the Enemy, fatal, very fatal must have been the Effects to the *British* Interests in *America*.

Upon the whole, considering that what was heretofore said of others is more true  
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