

her little Garrison. The Besiegers seeing her Resolution, and at the same Time observing a greater Number of Men than they expected to have found there, concluded the Place was in a much better State of Defence than had been related to them. In this Disposition they were induced to grant her a Capitulation on honourable Terms, in Pursuance of which the Fort was delivered up to them.

But the General, upon his Entrance into the Place, finding to what a Handful of Men he had given so favourable a Composition, and being nettled with the Disgrace it would throw upon his Character, declared, that he was deceived and decoyed into the Agreement, and absolutely refusing to abide by the Articles, he seiz'd them all as Prisoners at Discretion, and hang'd every Man of them except one, who saved himself by being Hangman to the rest. But what was still more shocking, he obliged the Lady to attend during the whole Time of the Execution with a Rope about her Neck.

In this distracted State of Affairs, while the three Estates of the Province were disputing the Possession of their several Shares by the Sword, the *Bostoners*, who had received in a Course of several Years numberless Injuries and Insults in their Fishery, made