

*New Hampshire* for 500; by *Rhode Island* for 300; by the *New Jerseys* for 500; by *Maryland* for 300; by *Virginia* for 100; and 400 Men were raised in *Pennsylvania*; amounting in the whole to 8200, exclusive of the four Independent Companies of *New York*, whose Complement is 100 Men each.

The Colony Troops were raised with great Dispatch; and, though the Packets containing his Majesty's Orders for the several Governors did not arrive at *Boston* till the latter End of *May*, yet the *Massachusetts* Forces with their Transports were got ready to proceed to *Louisbourg* by the Middle of *July*.

The most commodious Route for the March of Troops with Artillery from *Albany* to *Montreal* being over the Lake *Iroquois*, commonly called Lake *Champlain*, by Fort *St. Frederick* upon *Pointe de Chevreux*, called by the *English* *Crown Point*; the Reduction of that Fort was thought very material; though it should not prove any great Obstruction to a large Body of Forces in passing by it, yet it was not advisable to leave it on their Backs; especially as the Passage across the Lake ought to be open for a Communication of Intelligence between the Colonies and Army, as also for the Transportation of Provisions, Stores, and even Reinforcements, which it might be necessary to send after it in Support of the Siege of *Montreal*.

Exclusive of this, there were two other very strong Reasons for making this Attempt; the