

tion, with no floor, and the other buildings untenable. "No water but what was in tubs set in the ground." He concluded by recommending that the fort should be dismantled.

The following warlike stores and provisions were found there :

4 Guns,	4 pounders.	8 Hogsheads Molasses.
4 Guns,	2 pounders.	5 Barrels Peas.
2 Swivels.		6 Barrels Flour.
2 Gun Carriages.		230 Barrels Pork.
7 Barrels Powder.		3 Barrels Tallow.
1 cwt. Musket Balls,		10 Gallons Lamp Oil.
1300 Round Shot.		9 Dozen Cod Lines.
50 Cartridges.		

The diary continues :

"19th June. Ordered a party of 200 men to proceed to the village of Bay Verte, to make search for M. Le Loutre's chest and papers, said to be lodged at Abbe' Menne's, where being arrived and made search, found nothing of any consequence, and informed by the inhabitants that both the priests went on the same day that Beausejour surrendered, by water, and took with them all their effects, but whether they were gone to Canada or to the Island of St. John, they could not tell. This village contains about twenty-five houses, a chapel, and priest's house well furnished, and the inhabitants of this village live in better form, and more after the English manner than any I have seen in this Province, and have an open communication with the Island of St. John, and the inhabitants of Cape Breton, whom they furnish with lumber, Indian goods, etc., and from whom they receive all the conveniences of life in return."

"20th. Afternoon. Ordered a party of 200 men with whom I reconnoitred the country along by the side of the River Gaspereau. Found the soil but mean to what it is at Chignecto, and fish in the Bay scarce."

On the 23rd Colonel Winslow, being relieved by Captain Speakman, with 200 men marched back to Fort Cumberland. Colonel Winslow an active officer, was shortly afterwards engaged upon an unpleasant duty in the execution of which he displayed humanity and discretion.

Among the list of Officers of the 1st battalion of Governor Shirley's regiment, will be seen the name of John Thomas, who acted in the double capacity of lieutenant and assistant surgeon. Dr. Thomas also kept a journal of the proceedings of the expedition, in which are noted several incidents of interest that occurred in the neighborhood of Sackville. He was sometimes at Gaspereau as the following extracts will show.

"27th June, 1755. Pleasant day, wind S. W. Lieut. Carter came from Gaspereau, Lieut. Lewis of the Rangers, likewise. They measured the road and find it 15½ miles from Fort Cumberland to Fort Gaspereau."

"8th July. Half after 5 a. m., I marched with Major Preble, Captain Stevens, Lieut. Herrick, Mr. Philips (chaplain), two regular officers with a party of 50 men from the camp to Fort Gaspereau. We marched 9 miles, then