

the French Fishery, &c. 33

of *Cape Breton*, there was yearly employ'd at least *Five Hundred Shallops*. And these required, at Sea and on Shore, *Five Men* each; which amount to *Two Thousand Five Hundred Men*: And *Sixty Brigantines, Schooners, and Sloops*, each of *Fifteen Men*; making *Nine Hundred Men* more: Which together make *Three Thousand Four Hundred Men*.

Allow these *500 Shallops* to catch *300 Quintals* of Fish each in the Summer Season; and the Whole is *150,000 Quintals*: And the *60 Brigs, Schooners, &c.* each *600 Quintals*, which make *36,000* more. So that there is made at *Cape Breton* annually of Fish *One Hundred Eighty-six Thousand Quintals*.

Now, to carry this Fish to *Europe*, to Market, there must be employ'd *93 Sail of Ships*, of the Burthen of *2000 Quintals* each, one with the other; and each of these *Ships* have at least *20 Men*, which are *1860 Seamen*. And these, added to the *3400 Fishermen* above, make *Five Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Men*, employ'd at *Cape Breton* only in the FISHERY.

At *Gaspay, Quadre*, and other Harbours, mentioned in the following Estimation, there are *Six Ships* yearly, which, as they come out from *France* mann'd to catch their own Cargoes in *Shallops*, which they haul up and leave in the Country every Winter, 'till they return the next Spring, one with another may be allow'd *Sixty Hands*. And, it has always been allow'd, from *St. Maloes* and *Granville* they have at least *Three Hundred Sail* of these Ships in this Fishery, that fish at *Petit Nord, Fishante, Belle-Ile*, and the *Gulph*; which will, all-computed