

and supposes the Reason was you propose to come in person. He has acted according to your honor's orders. In my last I mentioned with Respect of disposing of your Hay, as also liberty to build before the Ensuing winter to such as would pay moderate charge. As to the hay, the oftener its cut the better, as your Marshes in a few years will be reclaim'd, and of course produce fine hay. I had several matters more to add, but shall postpone till your honor's arrival. I have procured two black Fox Skins for your honor, which are now at Caraquitt, and am sorry I cannot send them by Capt. White. I shall send them by the first opp'y.

I am sir, wishing you health and success,

Your honor's faithful and most obedient,

Humble Servant to Command,

ROBERT CONNOR.

Capt. White is in such a hurry up the Bay you'l scarce find this intelligible.

The Hon'ble Arthur Goold, Esq.

Tracadigash, Nov'r 19th 1785.

Hon'd Sir,—Since I wrote the within I rec'd your kind fav'r of 23d Ult, by a Schooner of Mr. Taylor's, which arrived this day, and propose to take a passage in the same to Nipissiquit the first Fair wind. The schooner winters at Nipissiquit. Capt. White proceeds directly to Halifax. He was kind enough to touch at Nipissiquit and land me some articles I had on board his Sloop. If Capt. White had touch'd at Nipissiquit as he first proposed (and would of course was it not for the arrival of the Schooner), I would have sent your honor two samples of my Salmon, viz: primed and mess, which I flatter myself would bare Inspection and prove agreeable to the house of Mr. Brymer or any other inclined that way. Your honor, I hope, will permit me to add one matter with respect of the Salmon fishery. In 1776 I agreed with the late Mr. Smith of this Bay to fish the North Side of the River Risticouche, at which time he had engaged eight fishermen of Aberdeen to fish the south side, who are deemed to cure the best salmon, and command a greater price at Leghorn or elsewhere. It happen'd that on the arrival of their Salmon and mine at Mr. Smith's store at Bonaventure the late Mr. Walker happened to be present. Mr. Smith ordered some casks to be open'd both of mine and theirs, in order to have Mr. Walker's opinion which was the best quality; he was pleased to give it in my favour, moreover their Crew consisted of 8 in number and mine of 3 only, they had also two Saines of 80 fathom long each, 7 Netts. Same time I had only 3 Netts, they had 37 Tierces and I had 62. I am the first who caught Salmon in a Sett Net in Resticouche. I have this day agreed with one Babinio, a French Man, who formerly lived on your lands at Nipissiquit, and after a Trial of six years years Residence here, seven at Misco, he wishes to go back and become your Tenant and assures me his stock does not exceed two cows & one horse, by reason of want of Hay in