

engrossed by two or three military men who are always about him, & who stick at nothing which they think will make for their own interest ; by their means the true state of things is constantly hid from him, and the inhabitants have no chance of having their grievances redressed, and tis well for him if in the end it does not prove fatal to himself ; his friends are at this time vastly uneasy for him upon account of the letter he sent to Sir *Thomas Robinson*, about the taking *Beaufejour*, which was directly contrary to truth, it being now universally known to have been taken by the *New-England* troops only ; assisted by the artillery under capt. *Brome*, whereas you know he attributed it to those who had very little more concern in it than I had who was all the time at *Halifax*. This villianous misrepresentation, is by every body here placed to the account of his favourite the secretary, whose wicked heart and foolish head, too much justifies the suspicion, and what very much corroborates it is his known inveteracy against the *New-England* men. One instance of it I will give you, soon after the Governour received an account of the taking *Beaufejour*, and before the circumstances were known to any but him and his favourite, two captains in the navy being in company with the latter, ask'd him how the *New-England* men behav'd upon that occasion ? He answered, they behav'd like rascals