

Siege of Louisbourg, &c. 17

Next Day the Enemy made a Sally ; but May 8. were soon repulsed.

Notwithstanding all the Care and Vigilance of May 13. the Men of War, and the Colony Cruizers, a Snow from *Bourdeaux* got in ; which they attempted to fire by a Fire-ship from the *Grand Battery*, but in vain.

The Cohorns, and the Nine and Eleven-inch Mortars, were removed to a Hill within Four Hundred and Forty Yards of the *West Gate* ; from whence they annoy'd the Enemy very much, and receiv'd no Damage at all. A Party of a Hundred Men came out of the Town in the Night, and landed near the *Light-house Point* ; and the next Day attempted to surprize a Party that was posted at the *Light-House* ; who first discover'd the Enemy from an Eminence, where they were on Guard. Forty only of our Men advanced towards them. The Parties met in a Wood ; and the Enemy was routed, Five of them killed, and a sixth (the Lieutenant) wounded, and taken Prisoner. The rest that escaped joined some others, and Eighty *Indians*, about *Mera* ; and were attack'd Two Days after by another Party of our Forces, that were out on a Scout. This Dispute lasted a considerable Time, and several of our Men made Thirty Discharges each on the Enemy, who were again routed. In this Action there was but one Prisoner taken. Upon the Return of this Party, another Scout was sent out the next Day, who returned in Two Days, and brought Ten Prisoners, who reported that many of their