

“ be fully satisfied for all the Provisions and
 “ other Necessaries, which they should sup-
 “ ply the Troops with during their being
 “ quarter’d among them.”

These Declarations arrived very seasonably at *Annapolis*; Mr. *Mascarene* found means to disperse them among the Deputies and Inhabitants before the Day, by which they were required to give Mr. *De Ramsay* their Answer, and they had the Effect to make them unanimous in declaring to the *French* Commander their Resolution to trust to the Assurances given them by the *Governor of the Massachusetts Bay*, of being protected in the Enjoyment of their Estates by the King of *Great Britain*, and absolutely refusing to take up Arms and join with the *Canadians*: And they immediately signified the same to Mr. *Mascarene*, with their several Addresses to Mr. *Shirley*, thanking him for the Protection he had promised them, and declaring their Resolutions to be loyal Subjects to the King.

In the latter End of *November* and Beginning of *December*, the Troops destined for *Minas* embark’d at *Boston* for *Annapolis Royal*; one of the Transports with the greatest Part of the Soldiers on board was lost in its Passage upon the Rocks near *Monts Deserts*, the Remainder arrived safe; and in a few Days, being strengthened with a Party from the Garrison, embark’d for *Minas*, and entered *Grand Pré*, the chief Town in that District, about the latter End of *December*.

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