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A MEMORIAL delivered by Order of bis most Christian Majesty, to my Lord Albemarle, the 5th of January, 1751, and sent the same Day to M. the Duke of Mirepoix, in England; containing the Complaints which France makes concerning the Hostilities committed and

allowed of by the English.

THE publick News-Papers have made known, fome Months fince, several Attempts which the English have made against some French Vessels in the Bay of St. Lawrence, and upon the Coast of New-France: But this News seemed so contrary to the Right of Nations, and the friendly Dispositions of which the British Court has given so many Marks since the Restoration of Peace, that no Credit could be given to them: But now, to our greatest Surprize, we hear, by Letters from Canada and Cape-Breton, that English Vessels act in those Seas, as in the Time of an open War. During the whole Summer last, those Vessels were spread about, even to the utmost Part of the Bay of St. Lawrence, stopping and insulting all the French Sloops they came a-cross. They attempted to take away a Brigantine which was at Anchor in the River St. John, to which Place she had been sent by the Intendant of Canada, to carry Provisions to the Detachments of the King's Troops which are in those Parts; and, finding it could not be done, an English Captain took some Sailors out of the Brig, who have since been fent by Governor Cornwallis, to Cape-Breton. But, without entering into Particulars concerning all the Violences and Irregularities of which the English have been guilty, we shall only mention here two Facts.

The first is, The taking of a French Sloop called the London, Capt. Jalain, by two Snows of War. This Sloop was sent by the Intendant of Canada to Chedaick, in the Bay of St. Lawrence, there to carry Provisions to the King's Troops, as also the annual Presents, which it was customary for his Majesty to make to certain Indians belonging to a French Mission; the said Presents consist-

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