

sioned, *Nova Scotia*, and the Garrison of *Annapolis Royal*, with the Ships in the Harbour were in the general Opinion given up for lost; whereupon the *Massachusetts* Governor desisted from sending more Troops to *Annapolis*; but it afterwards appeared, that the Detachment of Troops sent last from *Boston*, and the *Chester* eventually proved the Preservation of the Garrison and Province; for soon after their Arrival at *Annapolis*, Mr. *De Ramsay* who had then advanced within less than a Mile and half of the Garrison, and encamped in open View of it, apprehending the Number of Troops to be double what they were, and that another large Imbarkation of them, with a greater Sea Force was soon to follow, and despairing of the Arrival of the *French* Armament that Year, (the time by which it was expected upon the Coast being long elapsed) suddenly decamped, sent 1200 of his Troops back to *Canada*, and retired with the Remainder to *Minas*; from whence he communicated the false Alarm, he had taken at *Annapolis Royal* to Mr. *La Jonquiere*, who succeeded Duke *D'Arville* in his Command at *Chebuëto*; which, as it afterwards appeared from the Examination of several intelligent Merchants and others, who had been carried Prisoners into *Chebuëto* by *French* Cruizers, (whilst the Armament lay there) and were conversant with the *French* Officers, prevented Mr. *Jonquiere* from sending some light Frigates up the Bay of *Funda* with Troops, Ordnance
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