

APRIL 30TH.—Admiral Saunders arrived with a fleet from England: he had made attempts to *get* into Louisburg, but was prevented by the Ice, which still remained in great quantities along that coast. Major-General Wolfe, Commander-in-Chief of the Expedition; the Honble. Brigadier-General Townshend; and Colonel Carleton, Depy.-Quar.-Masr.-Genl., with some other officers, arrived in the fleet.

This evening there was a detachment of 650 men from the garrison of Halifax, 2 Engineers, a proportion of intrenching Tools, an officer and a small detachment of Artillery, with a couple of Field-pieces, under the command of Col. Carleton, ordered on board of Admiral Durell's Fleet, which still remained in the harbor, and now in readiness to sail. This command was to take post *on* one of the islands of the river which should be most advantageous for preventing succors from *getting* to the Enemy.

MAY 2ND.—The preparations begun at Halifax were approved of by the General, and, with some other additional articles, ordered to be forwarded with all *possible* dispatch; and the fleet from England began to refit and water with diligence.

MAY 3RD.—Admiral Durell's Fleet sailed this morning down the harbor; but, the wind proving contrary, they were obliged to anchor at Maigri's Beach, where they remained till the 5th, and then got to Sea.

MAY 13TH.—This morning Admiral Saunders sailed for Louisburg with all the ships that were in readiness. We met Admiral Holmes off Cape Sambro' with two Ships, the "Somerset" and "Terrible." These ships having met with rough weather at sea, and sustained some damage, were ordered into Halifax to refit. Admiral Holmes hoisted his Flag *on* board the and proceeded with us to