

tain Donnel was attack'd at the head of the bay of Fundy, near Chebuctou: he was wounded, and had three of his men killed. Every day produced fresh complaints of the hostile behaviour of the French and Indians under their influence: which obliged the governor to employ force in his own defence. He detached 1000 regular forces under the command of Major Lawrence, with four sloop of war to Chignecto, to drive out the Indians, who had been engagd by the French to annoy the English ever since their first landing. These Indians mixed with the neutral French, to the number of about 800, being entrenched behind strong banks and palisadoes, made cannon-proof, obstructed their landing. But Major Lawrence, at the head of a hundred chosen men, made a second attempt about a mile and half from their entrenchment; where also the enemy detached a sufficient party to receive him with their small arms; but he landed in the midst of their fire, without returning it, till his men had run up to their noses; by which means a great number of the enemy were killed, before they had time to load again. The remains fled with great precipitation under the protection of a French commander, encamped on the ground across the river, and claim'd by France<sup>n</sup>. Major Lawrence desired a parley with the French commander: in which he demanded to know, " why the French inhabitants had shaken off their allegiance to the King of Great

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<sup>n</sup> He had built a fort here by the name of Beau Sajoour.

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