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*From the committing of Hostilities to the defeat
of General Braddock.*

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HOEVER rightly considers the origin
of the present war, will find it a difficult
matter to determine whether it ought to
be attributed to the disputes concerning
the limits of Nova Scotia, or to the design
which the French had long had in view of uniting Can-
ada with Louisiana, by a chain of forts in order to
extirpate the English totally out of North America.
To clear this matter satisfactorily, a man should be pos-
sessed of what were the real and particular intentions
of the French ministry, immediately after the peace of
Aix la Chapelle, when they began to send troops, stores,
arms, provisions, &c. to Canada: Whether they
intended first to seize Nova Scotia, or the lands on
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