

up all these Colonies at once. To this, of late, their Progress has been very much accelerated. Oh what an extended Empire! what a stupendous Pitch of Glory did that Nation promise themselves! With what Pleasure did the proud Monarch survey the future Grandeur of succeeding Kings; his own Nation, at once the *Roman Empire*, Lords and Sovereigns of the World!

OUR Danger, our deplorable Situation, our perpetual Sufferings, were not for some Time so fully attended to; but at length GOD who "maketh manifest the Councils of the Heart," was pleased more fully to reveal the Designs of our Enemies, to impress on the Heart of our Gracious Sovereign, a most tender Regard for these Branches of the Nation, and all at once to unite the Power of the Nation to withstand and break the Power of *France* in this new World.

In the Beginning of these Troubles, GOD was pleased in righteous Judgment to chastise and humble us, that he might exalt us and do us good in the latter End. Our Armies were defeated, our Fortresses taken, our Troops returned from one ineffectual Campaign after another.*

Our first Attempt to recover our Claims on the River *Ohio*, were frustrated with the dismal Slaughter of a brave General, and several hundred veteran Troops. Our Frontiers, for several hundred Miles, became instantly a vast Field of Blood, a vast Extent of Country became deserted, every Post alarmed us with sad Relations of savage Barbarities, the bare mention of which would too much damp the Joy of this Day.

To this followed the Surrender of our Garrison at *Oswego*, with the Loss of all our Interest upon the Lakes. And to increase our Distress, our Enemies entered the Confines of our Country, quickly completed the Conquest of our Frontier Garrison *William-Henry*, and at the

* It must not be forgotten, that even in that dark Day, Providence in some Instances favoured us—the easy Reduction of the Neutral Country of *Nova-Scotia*, at the opening of the War, was an Affair of very great Importance to the Welfare of these Provinces,