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Fryday 9. At 9 in the morning being near the shoar, we anchor'd in 40 fathom water to the westward of *Port-Royal* entry, being calm weather. At 3 in the afternoon we weighed, the wind at W S W, and about 6, entred the River of *Port-Royal*; where the out-Centinels or Look-outs fired two Chambers, and got into their Cannoe, there being two in number; the place where they fired was distant from the Entry or Rivers mouth near a League. At 9 in the night we anchored in the Bay, in 7 fathom at high water, where we lay till next day.

Saturday 10. This morning at 4 a clock, our General sent the Barge on shoar with a Flag of Truce to Mr. *Laverdure's* house to command him on board, who came and gave a full account of the strength of *Port-Royal*. At 5 in the Morning we weighed, and turned up the River to Mr. *Laverdure's* House, where we anchored, and immediately sent a-shoar the Flag of Truce, with a Demand to the Governour to surrender the Fort; and in Answer he sent on board a Letter by one of his Priests to acquaint our General that he was willing to surrender upon our Terms and comply with the Proposals, the Priest was sent a-shoar, with a Letter to the Governour; the boat returned, and brought Answer in a Letter with one of the Governour's Officers to our General, That in the morning the Governour would surrender, and that he and the Priest should come on board, which they performed at the time prefixed.

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Sunday 11. This morning we weighed, and turned up the river, to the Fort, came to an Anchor, landed our men near Mr. *Nelson's* Warehouse at *Port Royal*: our men being landed, our General, the Governour and Priest went a shoar, our men drawn up, Possession of the Fort was given; the Governour and Officers delivered their Swords to our General, who returned the Governour his sword and likewise to some of his Officers. The Soldiers laid down their Arms, and were gaurded to the Church, where they were kept as Prisoners.

Munday 12. This Morning we went a-shoar to search for hidden goods, (for during the time of Parley they had broke open the King's Store & Merchants Stores, and convey'd sundry Wares into the woods) We cut down the cross, rifled the Church, Pu'lld down the High-Altar, breaking their Images: and brought our Plunder, Arms and Amunition into Mr. *Nelson's* Storehouse;

Tuesday 13. And so kept gathering Plunder both by land and water, and also under ground in their Gardens, all the next day

Wednesday, 14. Loading Mr. *Welch* with salt, and fitting him for his Return to *Boston* with all expedition: also demolishing the Fort. Our Proclamation was read at the Head of each Company, and on board our Ships: the Inhabitants came in answer to the Summons sent them; they took the oath of *Alegiance* to King *william* & Queen *Mary*, making great Acclamations and Rejoicings; our men being drawn up fired three Volleys, our Ship also fired some Gunns. The President chosen and appointed with the Magistrates, were sworn.

Thursday the 15. This day a Post was sent to *Menus* and the places adjacent, to come to *Port Royal*, and take the oath of Allegiance. This afternoon Mr. *Welch* sailed, the wind at S W. The Prizes were haled off, and fitted with Rigging. The Brigantine was apprais'd at 105l. by Capt. *Gregory Sugars* Sen'. and Lieut', *Samuel Adams*, who were appointed by the General and Council.