

the new settlers; most of the French families were forced to relinquish their possessions, to evacuate the Peninsula, and to seek refuge in other parts of New France.

Encouraged by this Success, Mr. Cornwallis thought proper to exert himself in the same manner against the French, who were settled out of the Peninsula, on the rivers which dis-embogue as well into the bottom of the bay of Fundi, as the gulph of St. Laurence. These People being thus perpetually exposed to the worst usage, and having experienced injustices and outrages without number, agreed to demand of marquis de la Jonquiere, that Protection which his majesty owes all his subjects. The marquis sent them a small detachment of troops and militia-men, under the command of an officer, to whom he gave the most precise orders, to attempt nothing against the English, and to confine himself solely to the preventing them from making any settlement on the lands, of which France was in possession; and above all that he should not himself make any fortification of any sort on them. The marquis de la Jonquiere did more; for he had the attention to give previous notice to Mr. Cornwallis of this step, the motives which forced him to it, and the orders given to the detachment.

The last complained of this conduct as an infringement; but the orders of the governor of New France having been strictly obeyed, this