

The management of the French at this trying time required great skill and foresight, but unfortunately the majority of the governors (4) had neither.

One of the earliest acts of the new government was to take steps toward securing the allegiance of the conquered population. Queen Anne had written to the Governor in charge: "Whereas our good brother the Most Christian King, hath, at our desire, released from imprisonment on board his galleys, such of his subjects as were detained there on account of their professing the Protestant religion; We being willing to show by some mark of our favor towards his subjects, how kind we take his compliance therein, have therefore thought fit hereby to signify our will and pleasure to you, that you permit such of them as have any lands or tenements in the places under our government in Acadia or Newfoundland, that have been or are to

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(4) The following is a list of the governors of N. S. from 1603 to 1760. Statistical Year Book of Canada, 1896.

- 1603. Pierre de Monts.
- 1610. Baron de Poutrincourt.
- 1611. Charles de Biencourt.
- 1623. Charles de la Tour.
- 1632. Isaac de Razilly.
- 1641. Charles d'Aunay Charnisay.
- 1651. Charles de la Tour.
- 1657. Sir Thomas Temple.
- 1670. Hubert de Grandfontaine.
- 1673. Jacques de Chambly.
- 1678. Michel de la Vallière.
- 1684. François M. Perrot.
- 1687. Robineau de Menneval.
- 1690. M. de Villebon.
- 1701. M. de Brouillan.
- 1704. Simon de Bonaventure.
- 1706. M. de Subercase.
- 1710. Colonel Samuel Vetch.
- 1713. General Francis Nicholson.
- Colonel Samuel Vetch (second time).
- 1717. Colonel Richard Philipps, nominally till 1749.
- 1725. Lawrence Armstrong.
- 1739. John Adams.
- 1740. Major Paul Mascerene.
- 1749. Honorable F. Cornwallis.
- 1752. Colonel Peregrine Hopson.
- 1753-1760 Colonel C. Lawrence.