

Here they had thrown up a strong Breast-work of Timber for covering their Men, and had Cannon mounted on the Block-house. At this they made a Stand for about an Hour, but were forced by our Troops with some Loss, leaving their Block-house, and the Pass of the River clear for our People, who marched, without farther Interruption, to the Ground intended for their Encampment. As we had not Men enough to invest the Fort entirely, several got away; and when the Fort surrendered, there remained 150 Regulars, and about 300 Inhabitants, several of whom, with their Officers, were wounded. We don't yet exactly know the Numbers that were killed in the Fort, but we believe their Loss has not been trifling, as several lay half buried upon the Parade. Col. *Monckton* has now named the Fort, and called it *Fort-Cumberland*. He gives the Troops under his Command great Praise for their good Behaviour, and the Spirit and Resolution with which they acted upon this Occasion.

Col. *Monckton* is proceeding to the Fort at *St. John's* River, which I flatter myself will give him very little Trouble, as their main Strength, which was *Beaufejour*, is gone. He has likewise my Orders to leave a Garrison in that Fort, as it is an infinitely better one than ours, as well for Situation as Strength. The deserted *French* Inhabitants are delivering up their Arms. I have given him Orders to drive them out of the Country at all Events; though if he wants their Assistance in putting the Troops under Cover (as the Barracks in the *French* Fort were demolished) he may first make them do all the Service in their Power. Our Possession of the Isthmus, it is hoped, will bring over the *Mickmack* Indians to our Interest.

I cannot close my Letter to you, Sir, without taking Notice how much I am obliged to Lieut. Col. *Monckton's* Military Skill and good Conduct, for our Success at *Beaufejour*; Capt. *Rous*, who commanded the naval Part of this Expedition, has been of the greatest Service to it; and have Reason to believe our succeeding so soon and with so little Loss, is much owing to the Management of Mr. *Brewse*, who acted there as chief Engineer.

PROPOSALS for the Capitulation of *Beaufejour*.

THE Commander, Officers, Staff-Officers, employed for the King and Garrison of *Beaufejour*, shall march