

subjects or adopted ones, this is certain, that *that* policy is best, which is best calculated to unite them all in one common bond of interest, affection, and duty.

Here, my Lord, let me ask what was your object in *acquiring*, what in *retaining* Canada, but that France might not have at her command a body of men, either to attack our American settlements in time of war, or harass them in time of peace, by inciting the native Indians to invade them? Would you wish, my Lord, to spoil the fruits of your own conquest in the worst manner possible? Which would be, to keep the hearts of the Canadians devoted to France, whenever she might call them to arms.

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