

of *Cape Breton, Canada* was look'd upon by the Inhabitants to be in so desperate a State, that it was thought, if it was made known there, that such of them, as would not take up Arms against the *English*, should be permitted upon the Reduction of the Country to remain there, and enjoy their Estates and Fortunes, and that such, who did take up Arms, should be oblig'd to leave *Canada*, and forfeit their Estates, not one Man in ten would appear in Arms.

The Governor therefore concerted Measures with the General and Mr. *Warren*, then lately made Admiral *Warren*, who both agreed with him in Sentiment, for forming an Attempt against it the next Year ; and before his leaving *Louisbourg*, he and the Admiral proposed the making one in a joint Letter to his Majesty's Ministers for their Consideration.

*November* the 30th. The Governor having staid at *Louisbourg* as long as the Season of the Year would permit, and the Occasions of his Majesty's Service in his Government of the *Massachusetts Bay* would allow of his Absence, and done every thing in his Power for the Security of the new Acquisition, until his Majesty's Troops, which were expected very early in the Spring, should arrive to take possession of it, embarked for *Boston* ; where he landed in the beginning of *December*.

The Spring following an Expedition by Land and Sea was formed by his Majesty's Orders in *England* for the Reduction of *Canada*,