

However, let it not be said, that our Forces, during this Summer, eat the Bread of Idleness: Tho' they durst not fight, they could dig with Safety; and the Season was spent in making Entrenchments at *Lake George*, and fortifying Fort *William Henry*.

Let us now turn from the melancholy Prospect of that wretched Year, and see if the present will not afford us a more pleasing one.

The Beginning of this Year was employed in Preparations for an Expedition against *LOUISBOURGH*; a Scheme which, if it had been rightly concerted, might probably have succeeded: