

we make Restitution of the Royal Island of *Cape Breton*, an Acquisition infinitely more valuable than all the Conquests made by *France*, valuable for its healthy Air, its spacious and commodious Ports, the Strength of its Fortifications, on which immense Sums have been expended by the *French*, and no inconsiderable ones by us, valuable for its Fruitfulness, and abundance of Pines fit for Masts, as well as Oak of an immense Size, and other Timber. Valuable with Respect to the Fishery, since the *French* Writers themselves say, that *in no Part of the World is the Cod Fishery carried on with better Success*; valuable with Respect to Mines of excellent Coal, rising in the Mountains, proper for supplying the Demands of *America* for that Commodity, (useful in all Parts to some Degree, in many Parts much wanted for common Fuel) and for furnishing a Nursery of *French* Seamen, by employing (as I am credibly informed they may do) upwards of fifteen hundred Sail in the Coal-Trade, valuable with respect to its Situation, as commanding the Navigation to *Canada*, at all Times a Bridle on the *French* in that Part of the World; and, in case of a War, of