

THE TRUE STORY OF THE ACADIAN DEPORTATION.

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[continued from page 2] taken from them by force or any price set upon their goods, but what they themselves agree to; and if, at any time, they should obstinately refuse to comply with what His Majesty's service may require of them, you are not to redress yourself by military force, or in any unlawful manner, but to lay the case before the governor, and wait his orders thereon. You are to cause the following orders to be struck up in the most public part of the fort, both in English and French.

"First, the provisions or any other commodities that the Acadians shall bring to the Fort to sell are not to be taken from them at any fixed price but to be paid for according to a free agreement made between them and the purchasers.

"Second. No officer, non-commissioned officer, shall presume to insult or otherwise abuse any of the Acadians, who are upon all occasions to be treated as His Majesty's subjects and to whom the laws of the country are open to protect as well as to punish.

"At the season of laying in fuel for the Fort you are to signify to the Acadians by their deputies that it is His Majesty's pleasure they lay in the quantity of wood that you require; and when they have complied, you are to give them certificates, specifying what quantity they have furnished, which will entitle them to payment at Halifax."

These orders do infinite credit to Governor Hopson in his high character for justice, and in their every line may be read the treatment which was accorded the Acadians during the rule of previous governors. They are not alone an eloquent eulogy of Hopson's character, but inferentially a key to the condition of the Acadians during the preceding years.

No sooner, however, had Lawrence become governor than he revoked these just and humane orders of Hopson. Here is the order which Lawrence sent to all the Forts:

"You are not to bargain with the Acadians for their payment; but as they bring in what is wanted you will furnish them with certificates which will entitle them to such payment at Halifax as shall be thought reasonable. If they should immediately fail to comply you will assure them that the next courier will bring an order for military execution upon the delinquents." A few weeks later Governor Lawrence, writing to Captain Murray, commandant of Fort Edward, whom the historian, Philip H. Smith, designates "an upstart despot," adds to the former order the following:

"No excuse will be taken for not fetching in firewood, and if they do not do it in proper time the soldiers shall absolutely take their houses for fuel." Of course none of these orders, or letters, are to be found in the Nova Scotia archives. Their presence would embarrass and defeat the purpose of the compiler, Thomas B. Akins, who held a brief for Lawrence and his associates.

It were tedious to follow all the machinations and plans resorted to by Lawrence, in order to give a semblance of justice to the cruel and heartless project he had resolved upon carrying out. Like Macbeth, who had fixed upon the death

of Duncan long ere the latter was resting as a guest beneath the battlements of his castle, so this murderous despot, sprung through artifice and low cunning, into colonial power and sovereignty from the office of a house painter, has been nursing in his heart for years this cruel plot, which, when carried into execution, would stain forever the virgin page of New World history and plant a crime upon our Canadian shores for which every true lover of our land, its justice and its honor, must forever blush.

The seed of this crime had found ready soil in the cruel, selfish and ambitious heart of Lawrence, and it needed no witches on the heath to nurture and ripen it into fruition.

Lawrence's great purpose at this juncture is to obtain the consent of the Home government to the deportation which he has been planning. How well this may be gleaned from the following letter, dated August 1st, 1754, to the Lords of Trade: "They [the Acadians] have not for a long time brought any thing to our markets, but on the other hand have carried everything to the French and Indians, whom they have always assisted with provisions, quarters and intelligence, and indeed while they remain without taking the oath to His Majesty—which they never will do till they are forced—and have incendiary French priests among them there are no hopes of their amendment.

"As they possess the best and largest tracks of land in this Province it cannot be settled with any effect while they remain in this situation, and though I would be very far from attempting such a step without your Lordship's approbation, yet I cannot help being of opinion that it would be much better if they refuse the oath that they were away."

If Lawrence could only provoke the Acadians to some act that would justify an increase of rigor, but no, these peaceful people obey every order, no matter how harsh.

To the honor of the English government, whose sense of justice is much higher and more acute than that of a Hastings in India, a Lawrence in Nova Scotia, or a Rhodes in South Africa, the Lords of Trade refused to countenance the expulsion of the Acadians. On the 15th of August the Secretary of State wrote Governor Lawrence in respect to the latter's purpose to expel the deserted Acadians—though this purpose was couched in such ambiguity that it might mean all the Acadians north of the Peninsula. "Let your intention have been what it will, it is not doubted but that you have considered the pernicious consequences that may arise from an alarm which may have been given to the whole body of French Neutrals, and how suddenly an insurrection may follow from despair or what an additional number of useful subjects may be given by their flight to the French King."

"In regard to the three years transmigration proposed for the Acadians of the Peninsula, it would be depriving Great Britain of a very considerable number of useful subjects if such transmigration should extend to those who were inhabitants there at the time of the treaty and to their descendants."

But no; Lawrence is determined to carry out his plan of deportation. Do the Acadians not "possess the best and largest tracts of land in the Pro-

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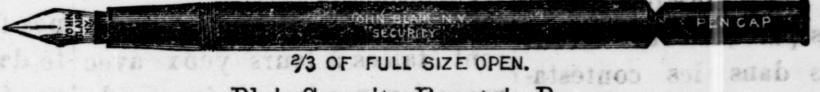
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