

Lib. C. B. wise informed that in the year 1746, there were brought into this Province in a Flag of Truce Sent by the Governor of Canada called the La Vierge de Grace a Great Number of English Captives; some of them being Europeans but the most of them belonging to the English Provinces and Colonies in America: And that about the same time his Excellency had sent a flag of Truce to Canada with French Prisoners at the Expence of this Government, And his Excellency Sent circular Letters to the Governors of the English Colonies aforementioned with Lists of the Several Prisoners belonging to their respective Governments wherein he informed them

p. 404 that as soon as the Accounts of the Charges of the Flags of Truce and the Proportions of the several English Governments thereto were Adjusted, he would Send them to the said Governors that so they might reimburse the Governor of Canada what Charges he had been at for transporting the English Prisoners belonging to their Government. Soon after this the Court house of Boston was burnt and therein all the Papers relating to the filling out the French Flag of Truce; which made it Necessary that those Accounts should be had from Canada, in Order to State the Particular part each of the English Governments ought to bear to the Charge of transporting their Prisoners; And I find the said Accounts were Sent here a little before Governor Shirleys Departure And an Account has been Stated Between the said Governor Shirley And the Governor of Canada and Sent to Quebeck by a Person gone there for the Redemption of Captives and the Governor of Canada has been assured that all Possible Care should be taken for Recovering from each Government their Proportion of the Charge

I shall now Send your Honour a Copy of the Account by which you will Perceive the Number of Prisoners belonging to your Government is nine and the Proportion of the Charge £319..15..4 which I must Pray your Honour would Cause to be Paid into my Hands, as soone as may be And the same shall be Remitted to the Governor of Canada; And I doubt not your more Ready Compliance when you Consider, as appears by the Account that this Province will be Obligated to Pay in Proportion beyond any other Government as the Greatest part of the Charge of the Europeans And other uncertain Persons, both in this Vessel and another Sent to Louisburg will fall upon them, I am

Sir

Your Honours Most Hble & most Obd^t Serv^t

S. Phipps

The Charge of the Ship La Vierge de Grace amounted as appears by the Contract to 10000 Livres each Livre being