

during the Voyage, and on his arrival he took Command, by His Majesty's order, of a frigate mounting 14 Guns that the King had caused to be Built for the purpose of cruising Along the Coast of new England.

1707 While in Harbor on board the King's frigate the "Biche," ready to sail on a cruise, an English fleet sailed into Port Royal to besiege it. He was Compelled to run the frigate aground beneath The fort, and was detached by Monsieur de subercasse at the head of 130 men to oppose the passage of the little River which the Enemy, to the number of 1500 men, were to cross. He repulsed them twice, but was compelled to give way to superior force, and he Retreated to the fort, fighting every foot of the ground. Throughout the siege, he commanded the Royal Bastion, which faced the Enemy, and when the siege was raised, he embarked on the frigate to carry the news to the King.¹

1708 He Commanded the "Venus" which sailed in the depth of the winter to Acadia with Munitions of war, and he arrived there at the Beginning of April. Thence he went to Cruise along the coast of new England where he captured several prizes, and went to Placentia to dismantle the vessel.

1709 He served under Monsieur de St Ovide De Brogliand with the rank of second Commander. He had 160 men to go and capture the English coast. They succeeded very well for on the first of January they took fort St John where they found more than a thousand men under arms, both Troops and settlers. In the Spring they blew up all The forts; they held the Coast to ransom, and conveyed all the artillery in the "Venus" to Placentia.² He took to Quebec the governor, the offi-

¹ This was the expedition commanded by Colonel March, which sailed from Boston, May 13, 1707, and made a fruitless assault on Port Royal.

Daniel d'Auger de Subercasse came to Canada in 1687, and after military service in various parts of the colony, received the appointment of governor of Acadia in 1705. In 1710 he surrendered Port Royal to the English.—Ed.

² La Ronde was a volunteer in this Newfoundland expedition, which was planned by St. Ovide, king's lieutenant at Placentia, and nephew