

Their vote was in the words following
as taken from the Records, a copy of which,
properly authenticated, is on the Table,
" March 27.th 1703. The Vote of the Coun-
cil passed the tenth current, for accep-
ting the Report of the Committee for
erecting a Fortification at or near
Pemaquid, sent down to the Repre-
sentatives for concurrence, as brought
up again, &c.

Principles
of the Vote.

§. 45. By this Vote it appears that
the province considered itself as un-
able to man a Garrison on the Eastern
Frontier. Governor Hutchinson observes
that there were several petitions from
the province, in which its inability to
maintain Garrisons in Acadia might
be probably construed as a Relinquish-
ment of the Country; but there are
none to be found on the Records of the
Province, excepting the one recited already
§. 46.

§. 46. By the Treaty of Ryswick, the pro-
vince considered all the Country East of
Kennebec, as gone; but their hopes were
revived by a construction given to that
Treaty by the Court at Whitehall, And had
their disposition to claim as far as Canada
River, been ever so strong, yet their hands
were too weak to support their claim -
even if their Sovereign would have
untied them for that purpose.

The Province
obliged to be
content with
The King's
Determinations.

§. 47. In the year 1731. there was a ques-
tion referred to the Attorney and Solicitor
General, by the Ministry, on the Subject
of this Country, which we are to attend
to presently. These Law Officers in their
very lengthy Report, mention. That
Governor Dudley, in the years 1702, 1703,
1704, and 1705, had, by Her Majesty's
orders, pressed the House of Representatives
to rebuild the Fort at Pemaquid.

Report of
Yorke & Talbot.

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