

had not offerd itself; which affords me also an opportunity of telling you that I have in a long speech pressd our assembly to exert themselves upon the present occasion, and enable me to carry his majestys commands into full execution; and I am not quite without hopes that they will do something, but what that will be, I am as yet unable to say.

I think it of consequence to our affairs among the Indians, that this province should maintain such of them as are at Aukwick, and that the Chiefs now going from thence to Onendago should know that we have resolved to do so, I have therefore detaind the express till I knew the sentiments of the House of Assembly, without whom nothing can be done where money is wanting, and I beleive they will readily come into what I have recomended to 'em upon this head.

You will give me leave to mention to you Captain Rutherford who is a gentleman of good sence very well acquainted with the nature of the Indian Affairs, having been long conversant with them as one of the Council for New York, and few men know the Politicks of this part of the Continent better than he, I am sure you will find him a skillfull active officer and a very usefull man upon the present occasion.—

I have some hints from England that a Plan of union of the Colonys for military purposes (not that sent from hence) is under the Consideration of the ministry, and tis thought will be enforced by Act of Parliament this sessions, and if so, something to the purpose may be done next summer, but hardly if we are to depend upon supplys to be granted by American Assemblys.

I have the Honour to be Sir
Your Most obed^t
Humble serv^t
Rob^t H. Morris

Philad^a Decem^r 3^d 1754.

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[Calvert to Sharpe.]

London Dec^r 10th 1754

Sir

The Laws pass'd by you the 2^d of Oct^r & y^r Let^r the 4th of May arriving at Long vacation time, the time the Lawyers are in the Country has been the occasion of My not answ^s you sooner. His Lord^{ps} Inst^{ns} Inclosed Contain his consideration of the Laws & of ordinary & of Hawkers & Pedlars Licences &c. You remark on advissing with his Lord^{ps} Agent & with the Iudge of the Land Office ab^t parcells of Land to be Surveyed & Erect'd into Manors you say, "you are inform'd there