

Oporto or on board the Ships in the Harbour. His Majesty out of His Paternal Care for His Subjects, has dispatched £50000 in Effects, viz: Salt Beef, Pork, Butter, Flour, Rice &c. as Relief to His Subjects, and His faithfull Ally the King of Portugal.

Inclosed is His Majesty's Speech to Both Houses of Parliament. On an Address to the Speech, after a long Debate whether the Russians & Hessians Troops should be taken into the Pay of Great Britain, the House divided 311 for, against 105.—Sir George Lyttelton is made Chancellor and Under Treasurer of the Exchequer in the Room of M^r Legge who has resign'd. M^r Fox Secretary of State in the Room of Sir Tho^s Robinson replaced in the Wardrobe Office. M^r William Pitt Paymaster to the Army and M^r George Grenville Treasurer of the Navy with others, are said, will resign or be out.

Yours of the 15th of September gives My Lord Comfort, in which you mention "you have not heard that any Enemy has been seen in the Province since Col Dunbar left us" Col Ellison in America is appointed Colonel of his Regiment, who 'tis said is ordered home as Deputy Governor of Gibraltar. I hope the Provincial Troops of Virginia will answer Gov^r Dinwiddie's Expectations, and that Maryland has or will Assist therein. My Lord desires by the Earliest opportunity you'll send a General Account of what Aid His Province has given and done for His Majesty's and the Publick Service during these dangerous times; The Account is necessary, the Lords for Trade and Plantations having notify'd the same to the Agents here of the American Colonies, mention'd to be laid before the King and Parliament.

By yours of the 6th of October the Forces with Governour Shirley at Oswego being but 1400 men seems of no Advantage against the French well secured at Niagara Especially as ours are in want of Provisions; His Lordship hopes His Assembly will acquiesce in sending Commissioners to Albany, empowering them with the Commissioners of the Neighbouring Colonies to Consult of proper Measures for the Interest of the Common Cause, and to Stipulate for necessary Supplies each Province shall furnish before the Ensuing Spring.—Your inclosed I have sent to your Brother John as also yours to Sir Tho^s Robinson, your future Letters you must address to M^r Fox Secretary of State

Inclosed is a Letter to M^r Lloyd the Agent sealed with a flying Seal, on your reading it please to put a wafer under the Seal and deliver it him. you will observe his Conduct with regard to My Lord's Affairs, which if he does not alter by better Conduct, he must resign or His Lordship will order his Dismission from his office; as this may happen, His Lordship