

His Majesty having been graciously pleased to send over to America a number of Officers for the Service of these Countries his Royall American Regiment of four Battalions does Expect that the Colonies will supply the Levies for this Regiment, The state of the service does now require that this Regiment should be immediately Completed. There is no aid you could send me in any Shape wou'd be so useful as Recruits to Compleat this Regiment as under such good Officers as his Majesty has appointed to it they would be soon if not directly fitt for service.—

The Levy money is in all Justice and right expected of the Colonies but if obstructions to the service should arrise within your Province on this head I must at this time undertake to advance it.

I do therefore again in the strongest manner desire of you and your Province that you will without Fail as you shall answer for the Consequences use your utmost Endeavours to procure and send me a number of such Recruits If I had this Regiment Completed directly I should hope to be able to Act and remove those dangerous Circumstances under which his Majesty's Colonies do now labour. In Consequence of his Majesty's Positive Orders I must require of you to lay a Prohibition on the Exportation of all manner of Provisions as the sending out such at this time will not only supply the French everywhere and enable them to Act against us but may in a very Essential manner distress his Majesty's Service here as I do not know how soon I may want all that the Colonies can Furnish.

I am with great Truth and Regard
Sir
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
Loudoun—

[Sharpe to Baltimore.]

Annapolis the 20th of Augst 1756

My Ld.

In my last which I did myself the honour to write to your Ldp from Fort Frederick the 12th of Iuly I inclosed a Copy of the Instructions which in Obedience to your Lordship's Commands had been sent to the Agent & Keepers of the Rent Rolls, since my Return to Annapolis I have received a Letter from Col^o Lloyd acknowledging the Receipt of them & promising that he will do his Endeavours to give your Lordship that Satisfaction which you expect & require tho says he M^r Calvert

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