

Copy of M^r Coode's letter to Captain Nichol森

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May it please your Honor,

I have written your Honor a letter the 13th inst. including a receipt of the letter from his Majestie to this Province which came to my hands the 30th May since which I have received your Honor's letter to this Government which presume is the only letter you have beene pleased to send hither th^t from his Majesty I have communicated to the persons impowd by a Convention of the Representatives of the whole province for preserving the peace and administring the Laws which are a Committee of two out of each county in conjunction with myself for the end to whom will likewise communicate your Honor's Letters aforesaid who are to meet att Potuxent the eighth of Iuly in the meane time presume on behalf of this Government to return your Honor due thanks and acknowledgment for the care and kindness for and towards the same what is intimated concerning Coll: Digge and others I doubt not when the committee meet to give full satisfaction since there is one Richard Hill fled lately into Virginia for treasonable words against their Majesties and for raising of men and being in actuall arms here against the present Government since their Majesties Proclamation of whom and others formerly I thought and doe think itt my duty to give the Government of Virginia account least their uninterrupted insinuation may be prejudiciall to the peace and against his Majestie's interest in this Province.

As to the business of New York we have a messenger there to give us an account of the reallity of matters relating to the success and attempt of the ffrench against the English believing all is not so bad as M^r Leysler represents I received the inclosed last week from one Iames Younge a person your Honor may perhaps have heard of, the most intelligent man in this Province in the Indian Affaires. Your Honor may be confident of the best and soonest intelligence we can give you of affairs to the northward which daily expect from our said Messenger that resides at New York, humbly desiring your Honors kind communication of what may be servicable here for their Majesties' interest.

As to the sailing of shippes from hence I have taken that particular care therein before the arrival of the men of warr th^t those th^t have been cleared have been obliged to stop in Virginia and apply themselves to Captain Roe in order to joyne with the ffleet to be made upp there for England those th^t have been cleared since have likewise given bond to apply