

Therefore I desire that you will consider how necessary it is for the King's service and your own security as well as of this Province, and that you will help us with some money for the discharge of the great expence we are at. The same I desire of Virginia very little can be expected from Pennsylvania, East or West Jersey they being new settlers and the Government of Boston being to furnish us with six hundred men any other Assistance cannot be proposed from them. Wee have been at more than ten Thousand pounds expence already I desire the favour of you; that whatever you do in this affair may be done with all possible dispatch. If ever you have occasion you shall have the same assistance from hence what I desire of you is by the opinion and advice of the Council of this Province.

Liber B.
P. R. O.

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Gen^l

I am

Your most humble servant

Tho: Dongan

New York March 30th 1688.

Supscribed

To the President and
Councill of Maryland
these

Copy of his
Majties ord^r to
Coll: Dongan abt
the French & Ind: }

The order from his Maj^{tie} mentioned in the
aforegoing Lre is as followeth viz^t

James R:

Trusty and Welbeloved we greet you well, wee have been made acquainted by your Lre to our Right Trusty & Right Welbeloved Cousin & Councillor Robert Earl of Sunderland President of our Council and our Principall Secretary of State dated the 8th day of Sep^r last past and by other papers transmitted by you with the late attempt that has been made by the French upon the Five Nations or Cantons of Indians who from all times have submitted themselves to our Government and by their acknowledgements of our sovereignty are become our Subjects. As alsoe with the injurious preceedings of the French in surprizing and detaining in Canada divers of our Subjects as well Indians as others (Surprized by them in the Lawfull prosecution of their Trade) Wee doe therefore think fitt that upon receipt hereof you forthwith demand from the Governour of Canada the setting at Liberty our said Subjects as well Indians as others surprized by them in the Lawfull prosecution of their Trade together with the Restitution of their goods and effects and as we are sensible of what great prejudice it may be to us and our subjects if any Inroachments be allowed upon our Dominions or the French permitted to invade our Territories or to annoy our Subjects with-

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