

and in case of any danger you are to expect directions from hence what preparations shall be further necessary for their security.

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Given at our Court at Whitehall the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October 1692. In the fourth year of Our Reign.

By Her Majestie's Command.  
Nottingham.

The Queen's Letter to Coll: Copley to assist  
New York.

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Marie R.

Trusty and Welbeloved we Greet you well. Whereas it has been represented unto Us in Council in behalf of our Province of New York in America That the same having been at great Expence for the preservation and defence of Albany its Frontiers against the French (by the loss of which Province the Inhabitants of Maryland and Virginia would not be able to live but in Garrison) and having hitherto preserved that Post the Burden thereby is now intolerable to the Inhabitants there. We think it reasonable and necessary that our severall Colonies and Provinces of N. England Virginia Maryland and Pensilvania should be aiding and assisting from time to time to the Governor or Commander in Chief of our said Province of New York in the maintenance and defence of it during the present Warr and accordingly our Will and Pleasure is that upon Application of the said Governor or Commander in Chief you do immediately send him such aid and assistance in Men or otherwise for the security of our said Province from the attempts of the French or Indians as the condition of the Plantation under your Government shall permitt And our further Pleasure is that as soon as conveniently may be you agree with the Governors of Virginia Pensilvania and New England to whom we have sent the like directions upon a Quotta of Men or other assistance to be given by each Colony or Province for the defence of New York as occasion may require the same and that you return a speedy account of your proceedings herein to the end such further directions may be given as shall be necessary for the securing the Fort of Albany and the Province of New York from the attempts of our enemies in those parts and so we bid you farewell.

Given at our Court at Whitehall the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 1692. In the fourth year of our Reign.

By Her Majesties Command  
Nottingham.