

part of which wee doe dayly here the beating of drums and vollyes of shott and are certainly informed That they are all in Armes and designe over here, soe that though (thanks be to God our distracted people begin to Recover their sences Yet they continuering out of theirs wee have reason to feare endeavour by all meanes possible to prevent But must desire your Speedy Advice whether it may not be proper for me to have a company or two of my Regiment and Capt Brand his troops in a readinesse that wee may be upon our guard and be capable of securing these frontier parts from plunder if faire words (which shall be first used will not prevail with them to returne home peacebly they having first been throughly informed of the unparrelled falsity of the said Rumours I have noe more at present to offer but onely the tender of my humble respects to your hon<sup>r</sup> and to assure you that when occasion serves noe body shall be more forward to demonstrate their fidelity to my Lord and the Governmt then

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Yo<sup>r</sup> hon<sup>r</sup> most humble and  
most obedient Servt  
Edward Pye.

Pray advise me whether my stay in this County at this juncture may not be necessary and consequently my absense from the provinciall to be dispenst with all I must beg you to send me per the bearer 3 or 4<sup>ll</sup> of pistoll powder I haveing none but one barrell of common powder unfit for use.

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My Lre being deteyned by mistake just now I am forced to open it to let you know that Maj<sup>r</sup> Beale is arrived with a party of horse from Rangeing downe the Coast of this side of Poto-mack and does declare he saw noe foote of any Seneca Indian And that he appeased severall litle uproars occasioned by Idle reports of a mans beating his boy for lettin his cow be swampt etc And that he sent M<sup>r</sup> Brightwell to Virg<sup>a</sup> who seeing noe Christian soul in those parts they being fled to their forts He satisfied the Capt of the ship that lyes there of the falsity of all reports and prevailed with M<sup>r</sup> Hinson and his wife to returne out of Virg<sup>a</sup>

The Maj<sup>r</sup> designes now home and soe up the Easterne branch To the hon<sup>ble</sup> the Deputy Leiu<sup>ts</sup> with care and speed for my Lord and countrys service

Hon<sup>r</sup> S<sup>r</sup>

Yours of the 28<sup>th</sup> instant came acceptably this moment to our hands together with the certificates there inclosed for all which are thankfull and for answer doe acquaint your hon<sup>r</sup> that

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