

inconsiderable. To this Continuing Bill entitled "An Act for Letter Bk. IV  
Easing the Inhabitants of this Province from the great &  
unequal Burthen of the Additional Land Tax" I yesterday on  
Your Ldp's Behalf gave my Assent, flattering myself that the  
same Considerations which induced both Houses to agree on p. 140  
this Bill will incline Your Ldp to approve of my passing it  
into a Law. After this Bill had been carried thro the Lower  
House they proceeded to Vote a Supply for His Majestys  
Service thinking it expedient I suppose to save Appear-  
ances a little & to seem to pay some Regard to General  
Monkton's Requisition. In Consequence of such Vote & of  
their Resolve that Two hundred men should be forthwith  
raised in this Province & sent to General Monkton a Com-  
mittee was Ordered to prepare a Bill for Granting a Supply of  
£32,000—Part thereof to be appropriated for the Support of  
such Two hundred Men for the Space of six Months & the  
Residue to pay off the Arrears that are due to the Soldiers  
who were sometime in the Service of this Province & to the  
Militia that have during the War served at Times on our  
Frontiers. On Saturday last this Bill of theirs was sent to the  
Gentlemen of the Upper House by whom being found to be  
almost in every Respect the same that has been so often  
rejected it was yesterday returned with a negative, as the  
Members of the Lower House I am satisfied expected it would  
be, nor is there any Probability of their offering any other  
Supply Bill this Session. That General Monkton might not  
depend on us for any Men & be disappointed I thought it my  
Duty when I acknowledged the Receipt of his Letter (which I  
must observe to your Ldp was wrote the 21<sup>st</sup> of Aug<sup>st</sup> when  
the Fate of Canada was uncertain) to tell him freely that I  
could not after what had before passed entertain Hopes of the  
Assembly's Doing any Thing, nor indeed do I believe that the  
General himself had any Expectations from us when he wrote  
to me or that the 200 Men which he applied for will be much  
wanted. As I suppose that some Bills of little Consequence  
which I understand the Lower House have still before them  
will be sent to & either rejected or passed by the Upper p. 141  
House in a few Days I expect the Assembly will break up at  
farthest the End of this week, nor do I know any Reason there  
will be for convening them again (unless the Secretary of  
State should send me another Letter) within these two years.  
Not doubting but your Ldp knows eer this time that the whole  
Country of Canada was on the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of Sept<sup>r</sup> last yielded to  
the Dominion of His Majesty I embrace this Opportunity  
being the first that has offered since we received the agree-  
able News) to Congratulate Your Ldp on that very interesting  
& happy Event which it is hoped will not only incline His