

Lib. H. D. vnder your Excell Comānd as also of the assistance you have Received from the adjacent Colonies. As to what relates to this his Ma^{ts} province, I send home by all opportunities the whole Proceedings with the Copy's of your Ex^{ncies} Letters to me and mine to you.

If you dont depend vpon the Quota of Men from Virginia, then I was misinformed, and S^r Edmund Andros is not the only Govern^r which hath comply'd with her late Ma^{ts} Royall Commands, for if he should only send your Ex^{ncy} Money, then this his Majesties province hath been before hand with that of Virginia.

If your Excell please let me have an Account, how much Money hath been sent from Virginia to your Govern^t (I think in my time there I sent Two hundred & odd pounds) I will lay it before our Assembly, which I design (God willing) shall meet this Spring; but cannot fixe the time till it please God I hear from Whitehall; for We expect our London ffeet within a Month. I am very sorry to hear that your Province is in Debt, but We are their brethren in the same calamity; But I hope that the farther good success of his Ma^{ts} forces by Land & Sea will cause a good Trade & so bring vs out of those vnhappy circumstances. I am obliged to your Excell for sending me the intelligence that you had from the Govern^r of New England, and I had dispatched Perry sooner to you, but We have had lately a great snow. When I have any later News from England and I find that your Excell hath it not, it shall be sent your Excell by him who is

Yo^r most humble Servant
ffr: Nicholson

Govern^r ffletcher

Perry is to give your
Excell the printed News }

Copy of his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r of New-Yorks Letter read in Councill the 3^d day of March, A^o 1695/6, Viz^t

Govern^r of
New York's
L^{re} to his
Excell. Sr.

New York 19th ffeb^{ry} 1695/6

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Your Excell^s by M^r Perry ffeb^{ry} the 4th came to hand for which and your inclosed News, I return thanks, a Briganteen from Bristoll seaven Weeks passage brought all those publick papers I must acknowledge the Money rec^d from your province it is farr short of the charge of 160 Men (the Quota of your province assigned by her late Ma^{ty}) w^{ch} at 12^d a day (Men cannot be had for less in this Countrey) with their proper officers, transportation & incidents will amount to 4000^{lb} p Annum.

Whitehall