

in the Execution of his Majesty's Orders; and particularly in Lib. C. B.  
procuring as great a Number of Men as you possibly can, to  
enlist, which by the great Encouragement, which (you will see  
by your Instructions) His Majesty has thought fit to give to  
such Persons as shall enter into his Service on this Occasion,  
It is to be hoped may be easily done, You will see, that Col  
Blakeney carries with him from hence only 3000 Arms, you  
will not however limit the number of Men to be raised within  
your Government, in proportion to that Number of Arms,  
since my Lord Cathcart will carry with him a Quantity of spare  
Arms and Cloathing, in Case it should be practicable to raise  
a greater Number than the Three Thousand for which Col  
Blakeney carries with him Arms and Money for their Sub-  
sistence

As you cannot but be Sensible of the great Importance of  
this Service, and how much the Honour of his Majestys  
Crown and the Interest of his Subjects (especially those in  
America) are concerned in the Success of this Expedition, I  
am perswaded you will omit nothing on Your Part that may p. 91  
contribute thereto, by doing all that lies in your Power to pro-  
mote the Levies as soon, and as effectually as may be, in  
which you will judge from the advanced Season there is no  
time to be lost; And you may be assured, that your Zeal in  
the Execution of the Kings Orders on this Occasion, will be  
very graciously accepted by his Majesty

Major General Spotswood whom his Majesty has been  
pleased to appoint Quarter Master General in this Expedition,  
Col of the Troops to be raised in America, will receive his  
Majestys Directions to sail with such a Number of the said  
Troops, as He can get together so as to be at the Place ap-  
pointed for the General Rendezvous by the latter End of  
August, or the Beginning of September next, And he will  
leave Directions with proper Persons to follow him with the  
rest of the Troops, as they shall be raised

And if you should find Difficulty in raising the Men within  
Your Government, by the Methods that may occur to you  
for that purpose, It is his Majestys Pleasure, that you should,  
in that Case, permit Major General Spotswood, Col Blake-  
ney, or any persons appointed by them to beat up for Volun-  
tiers, and that you should, to the utmost of Your Power assist  
them in it

I heartily wish you Success in the Execution of His Majestys  
Orders, and am

Sir

Dep<sup>y</sup> Gov. of Maryland      Your most humble Servant  
Hollis Newcastle