

Lib. C. B. or shall enlist in his Majestys Service, to mutiny or desert, shall be punished with the utmost Rigor of Law And as his Majestys Commissions are now in my hands I do hereby in his Majestys Name strictly charge and require all Persons who have enlisted themselves in his Majestys Service, as they shall answer the Contrary at their Peril, to repair forthwith to Annapolis in order to be instructed and exercised in Military Discipline to the End they may be able to discharge their Duty to his Majesty as faithful Subjects and good Soldiers And to the Intent that all Persons concerned may have due Notice hereof I do hereby strictly charge and command the
 p. 105 several Sheriffs of this Province to make this my Proclamation publick in their respective Counties in the usual manner as they will answer the Contrary at their Peril Given at the City of Annapolis this 12th Day of August in the 26th Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1740

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter received by him from the Governor of Virginia

Sir

Not knowing when the Officers may arrive in your Government, I herewith send you the Substance of a Letter I addressed to you by them

I have inclosed you Commissions for three Companies, the Number of Men at present expected from your Government, and sent you the like Number of Lieutenants and Serjeants with Arms & Powder and Cloathing for the Officers, so must desire you to form the Men you have enlisted accordingly: Col Blakeney has sent you Bills to raise Money, and I must intreat you to provide Transports &c that I may be sure to have your Men at the place of Rendezvous within the Capes of Virginia, before the middle of September

Please to date the Commissions the 9th of June, & Endorse on the Back the Day of Delivery I am in a great Hurry

Your most humble Servant

Mr Rousbys

Will: Gooch

24 July 1740

It is the humble Advice of this Board to his Excellency that he be pleased to give the Gentlemen appointed by Act of Assembly to provide Transports &c. for the Troops to be raised in this Province, Notice of the Contents of the said Lrē, which his Excellency did in the following Words.