

Lib. J. R. Province depends on a timely Assistance sent to the City of
& U. S. Albany.

We are your most obedient humble Servants.

By Order of the Council

To the Council
of New York

Arch^d Kennedy.

Albany 10.. Aug^t 1757 6.. o'Clock in the Morning.

Gentlemen

I just now received a Letter by Express from General Webb dated 9.. at Fort Edward acquainting me that the Firing at Fort William Henry ceased Yesterday Morning at 6 o' the Clock which made him apprehend the Fort had capitulated and in the Postscript of his Letter he tells me he was that Instant informed the Fort surrendred at seven this Loss renders it absolutely necessary to have an additional Strength to preserve this Place and the rest of the Country, you are therefore to forward the Militia hither with the utmost Expedition, according to my orders of Yesterday I think it necessary all the French Prisoners and Neutrals should be secured in the several Goals, and a Company of Militia to do Duty over them to prevent any Disturbance. I wrote from the several Governments from Jersey to New Hampshire inclusive for Assistance Fort Edward was attacked last Night as I am just now informed by Express, you will order one Half of the Militia of Suffolk to march and be posted in the Towns of Queen Ann's County nearest New York, you may be assured I am hurried if any thing further occurs, you shall hear from me, I am

Your humble Servant

James Delancy

Forward the inclosed to Gov^r Belcher.

Impress Vessels, and Provisions for the Contractors.

a true Copy John Goodby.

p. 200 It is the advice of this Board to his Excellency that in Case Colonel Stanwix shall have marched his Forces from Carlisle, and any Alarm should be given by the Enemy to the Westward, that he be pleased to direct the Colonels of Frederick, Prince Georges, Baltimore Ann Arundel, and Kent Counties to call together one Half of the Militia of their said Counties who should be ready to march at such time, and to such Place, as he shall judge necessary and the Colonels of the said Counties are desired to make Enquiry what Arms can be procured in Case of any Emergency of this Kind.