

shewed the greatest Attention to Maryland in employing the whole of the Troops raised by them in covering their Frontiers, and securing the Inlets into their Country when I actually sent two hundred of the Provincials of Virginia by Sea at the Expence of that province to South Carolina and had two hundred more of the Virginia provincial Troops ready to be carried there if that Service had not been provided for by the Arrival of a Regiment of a 1000 Men from Europe.

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I have shewed you above that the King has the undisputed Right, that he has by his Commission put the Execution of it into my Hands, that Maryland alone have disputed the Kings Right of commanding his Subjects in Arms, altho his Majestys Servant in the Execution of that Trust has had a particular Regard to the Ease and Security of the Province of Maryland.

When I know Things really to stand on this Footing, and can have no Doubt that the Gentlemen that compose the Assembly of Maryland, mean not only to protect the Province of Maryland but to give every Aid to the common Cause in their power I can have no Doubt that on a cool Reflection of the general Situation of the Affairs of this County, the Duty they owe to the King and the Community, whatever Representations may have led them into the present Bill, they will immediately set those Things on a true constitutional Footing, and enter heartily into the common Cause for the Security of Maryland, and to give their utmost Assistance against the common Enemy.

I intended when I writ from Albany to have come directly to Annapolis but some unexpected Business put it out of my Power at that Time and now I cannot fix the Time I shall be with you.

Hoping from your wise Management, and the people coming to see their own true Interest that I shall very soon have better Accounts from you.

I am with sincere Regard

Sir Your most obedient humble Servant

To his Excellency Gov^r Sharpe.

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His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Representation

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May it please your Excellency.

We acknowledge with Thankfulness your Excellency's just Administration hitherto over us your Readiness at all Times to redress Grievances, correct Abuses among us and earnest Endeavours to fill our Courts of Justice with the ablest and