

Lib. J. R. Governm<sup>t</sup> you will be pleased to give Orders for that Purpose  
& U. S. and to intimate to me at what Time and Place one of our  
Sheriffs might be directed to attend and receive them. As  
our Provincial Court will sit the eleventh of April next I hope  
they can be brought hither before that Time and if you will  
be so kind as to give Orders that the Evidences attend the  
Tryal, Protections for them shall be delivered to the Sheriff  
that might be ordered to receive the prisoners

I am Sir, your most humble & most obed<sup>t</sup> Servant  
To the honble John Blair Esq: Hor.. Sharpe

Ordered that the Clerk of the Provincial Court issue Pro-  
tections for Jacob Lane Richard Lane, Friend Cox, David  
Morgan and William Lockhart, as Witnesses to the next  
provincial Court on Behalf of Thomas Cresap.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the fol-  
lowing Letter.

New York February 13.. 1758.

Sir

As I am directed by his Majesty to apply to the several  
p. 218 Governments in North America for such Aid and Assistance  
as are necessary for carrying on the War in this Country  
which is likewise fully expressed in the several Letters trans-  
mitted by his Majesty's Secretaries of State, down from Sir  
Thomas Robinson's Letters to them of the twenty sixth of  
October 1754: to this Time directing that they should corre-  
spond and co-operate with his Majesty's Commander in Chief  
for the Time being in North America, and that they will use  
their utmost Endeavours to induce their Councils and As-  
semblies to give the necessary Orders for raising their  
Quotas of Men with the greatest Expedition, so that they  
may be ready to march to such places as the Commander  
in Chief shall direct.

In Consequence of which Orders I do now apply to you  
to use your utmost Endeavour with your Council and As-  
sembly to furnish a Body of four hundred good Men and that  
as many of them as possible should be used to ranging, to  
act in Conjunction with his Majesty's Forces the next Spring,  
in carrying on vigorous and offensive Measures against the  
Enemy over and above what is necessary for the Defence  
of your own Forts on the Frontiers of your Province, and  
this Body should be ready to march by the Beginning of  
April.

As this will occasion the raising an additional Number  
to what your Province now have, I would propose to you