

from Col Dunbar at Philadelphia what Availment will be from him, who is feasting of the Shambles & Delicacies at Market in that City so far North, when he should have remain'd in the South where the Action of Battle lays. Pray God Avert the Evil!

The Pensilvania Gazettes inform me what you have before Observed to be true. The meeting of that Assembly meant no Service without wrong to their Proprietors. His Lordship does not doubt of your following & Guarding against any Invasion on his Rights Similar in your defence on his Behalf, as Governor Morris has done for the Proprietors of Pensilvania.

I will take Care to deliver to the Lords of Trade and Plantation the Laws of the Province by you transmitted. To the Question you ask me, How or by whom is the Expence of copying the Laws that are now transcribed to be defrayed, if by the Publick? I think most certainly so, the Command for the Transmission of them is by His Majesty's Instructions. You seem to doubt the Lower House's Admission of the Charge into the Journal of Expences, with what face can they deny? How can any Appeal with relation on the Laws of the Province be Admitted in the Presence of the Lords of the Council, Unless the Laws are sent to them properly Authenticated, either being fairly transcribed or Printed. The Lords of the Council can make no Judgment of Report on any Matter for his Majesty's Determination but from the Laws properly Authenticated, 'tis Persona, individually to every man & woman in the Province that may have Occasion for such Application to the King or the Proprietor; therefore what is to the real Advantage & good of a whole People the Expence must Necessarily be defrayed by the Publick. And 'tis on the Legislative Body to Acquit themselves therein with the Charge paid by the Publick, with Submission I think in post no particulars of that Expence can be Demanded, nor can I conceive how the Lower House can deny Payment incurred for Justice to the People under His Majesty's Commands whose right is undoubted to Ken into all the Laws of his Realm.

His Lordship sends you his best wishes & Service, The Earl of Essex a relation of Lady Baltimore's has requested a favour of My Lord desiring some Maryland Partridges, My Lord desires you will procure him some & send them by the first opportunity; As this will much oblige the Earl his Lordship desires you'll make no delay. He thanks you for your Several Particulars on the Publick transactions in America, though Affairs are at present Unfortunate there,