

U. H. J. indispensable Duty to obey His Majestys Commands which I shall
Liber No. 34 Lay immediately before you

You will perceive by the Extract from the Duke of Newcastle's Letter that his Majesty does not Expect any Money to be absolutely given by this Province, but only to be raised as a present Supply for Our own Levies; till such Time as the whole Expence of the American Troops can be laid before the Parliament of Great Britain, that Provision may be made for the Payment thereof.

And indeed It seems Necessary for the Security of the American Colonies in General, that all Possible Encouragement should be Given to People to Enter into his Majestys Service for should the French Prevail against those who are nearest to them the most Distant might soon feel the fatal Effects of such a Misfortune

p 212 This I make no Doubt you will take into your Serious Consideration, and Give it all the Attention that an affair of so much Importance Requires.

Extract of a Letter from his Grace the Duke of Newcastle to Governor Shirley Dated Whitehall 30 May 1747

His Majesty has been pleased to direct me to Signify to you his Pleasure that you should immediately appoint a meeting with Commodore Knowles at such Place as shall be agreed upon and Consider with him the Present State of Nova Scotia & Louis Bourg and take the Proper Measures for the Defence of those Places

It is his Majestys Pleasure that you should Endeavour to Compleat from Out of the Americans which are now Raised for his Majestys Service Sir William Pepperrells Regiment and Your Own

Lieutenant General Phillips Regiment, is, I am afraid very weak I will however send him his Majestys Orders to send what Recruits can be got from hence; And you will also endeavour to have his Regiment Compleated out of the Americans.

As it is his Majestys Intention that the Americans should be immediately Discharged Except only such few as are mentioned above the Manner of Discharging them, the Satisfaction for their Time &c must be left to Commodore Knowles and Yourself; the King however is perswaded you will do it as Cheap as Possible

And as these American Troops have done Little or no Service hitherto it is hoped they will not Expect to be Paid in the Manner they would have been, had they Actually been employed on Service but it seems highly Reasonable that such of the Troops as have Remained in the Provinces where they were Inlisted should be Contented with less pay than such of them as may have Marched into other Provinces.

When You and M^r Knowles shall have met and fully Considered the Service to be undertaken in the manner above Directed and