

# MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic.

THURSDAY, April 19, 1759.

**ANNAPOLIS, April 19.**  
**TUESDAY** last Week, his Excellency our Governor sent down the following Message to the Lower House.

**I** HEREWITH send you Copies of several Letters which I have received since the Opening of the Session, from the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary PITT, his Excellency General AMHERST, and Brigadier STANWIX: By one of which you will be informed that his Majesty, immediately upon receiving an Account of the Success of his Arms on the River Ohio, was pleased to Direct the Commander in Chief of all his Forces in North-America, and the Officer commanding his Troops in this Part of it, to lose no Time in concerning the most proper and speedy Means for completely restoring the ruined Fort Duquesne to a defensible and respectable State, or for Erecting another in the room of it of sufficient Strength, and every Way adequate to the great Importance of the several Objects, of Maintaining his Majesty's Subjects in the undisputed Possession of the Ohio; of effectually cutting off all Trade and Communication this Way between Canada and the Western and Southern Indians; of Protecting these Colonies from the Incursions to which they have been exposed since the French built the above-mentioned Fort, and thereby made themselves Masters of the Navigation of the Ohio; and of fixing again the several Indian Nations in their Alliance with, and Dependence upon, his Majesty's Government: Such being the Instructions that the King, out of his tender and paternal Care for the Safety and Welfare of these Colonies, hath been pleased to send the Officer that is appointed to the Command of his Forces in this Part of the Continent, he hath the greatest Reason to expect, that, as his Subjects, the Inhabitants of Maryland, and the Two neighbouring Provinces, are particularly and nearly interested in the speedy Execution of this great and salutary Work, they will be particularly alert and ready to give such Officer all the Assistance in their Power; and it will, as the Secretary of State observes, be Matter of no small Surprise, and must reflect the greatest Blame on your Conduct, should you, in any Point, fail to assist to the utmost the King's Officers, who shall be employed on this Occasion. That this, however, will be your Care, I entertain the most sanguine Hope, for I cannot think you would wish to lose the Fruits of the late successful Expedition to the Westward, to see the French again in Possession of the Ohio Country; and our Frontier Inhabitants exposed to the dreadful Incursions of their Indian Allies. If you have any Regard for your own Safety, or the Safety and Welfare of your Posterity; if you have any Regard for the Reputation of the Province, or can be animated by the laudable Example of all your Fellow Subjects in the neighbouring Colonies; or if you have the least Sense of Gratitude to the best of Kings, and your Mother Country, for the powerful Succours which have been sent hither, and supported at a vast Expence, for our Protection; you will, I hope, at this Time, give a convincing Proof thereof, by your Actions, by pursuing different Measures from those which you have for a long Time unhappily adhered to, notwithstanding you must have been convinced they would never meet with the Concurrence of another Branch of the Legislature.

But, Gentlemen, if after all you shall, upon mature Deliberation, Resolve that you will, on no Account whatever, adopt any of the various Methods by which Supplies have been heretofore raised in this Province, nor propose or agree to any Supply-Bill, unless it be exactly on the same Plan with those, or rather with that, which the Gentlemen of the Upper House have four Times refused to pass, for many Reasons that have been signified to

you; I have only to desire that you will oblige me so far as to communicate to me without Delay, such your Resolve; for this Reason, among others, that General AMHERST and Brigadier STANWIX may be immediately advised thereof, and take their Measures accordingly.

HOR. SHARPE.  
9th of April, 1759.  
To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND.

The humble ADDRESS of the HOUSE of DELEGATES.

May it please your Excellency,

**U**PON the most mature Consideration of the Letters from the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary PITT, his Excellency General AMHERST, and Brigadier STANWIX, which accompanied your Excellency's Message of the 9th Instant, we think ourselves indispensably obliged to express the grateful Sense we entertain of the fresh Instance his Majesty has been pleased to give of his tender and paternal Care of these Colonies, and to renew our Assurances to your Excellency, that we shall zealously exert our Endeavours to provide for and promote the several Services that have been so earnestly recommended to us: And it is with the greatest Concern we observe, that your Excellency has made Use of every Occasion to throw the Blame of the Failure of Duty to the King last Year on the Lower House of Assembly. Of the Justice or Propriety of your Excellency's applying to this Branch of the Legislature, the Censure on the Council and Assembly of this Province for that Failure contained in the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary PITT's Letter, communicated to us at the Opening of this Session, let the Impartial Judge from the following Paragraph of that Letter: "I am commanded to signify to you the King's Pleasure; that you do forthwith use your utmost Endeavours and Influences with the Council and Assembly of your Province, to induce them to raise, with all possible Dispatch, within your Government, as large a Body of Men, as the Number and Situation of its Inhabitants may allow; (in the due Performance of which Service, it is hoped and expected they will not again fail in their Duty to the King, as they did the last Campaign.) Can it be inferred from this Paragraph, that it was the Secretary's Intention to justify the Conduct of the Upper House in rejecting the Supply-Bills that have been sent to them; as your Excellency would insinuate? We conceive not. What then could induce your Excellency to make an odious Distinction, which the Secretary's Letter will not warrant or justify? But whatever your Excellency's Opinion of our Conduct may be, we nevertheless entertain the most sanguine Hopes, that the Equity of the Plan and Mode for raising and contributing the Quota of this Province for his Majesty's Service, proposed and pursued by this House, will receive the Approbation of our Superiors, to whom we wish it was in our Power to appeal, and to whose Determination we shall cheerfully and dutifully submit.

We think it unnecessary to assure your Excellency, that we are so far from wishing to lose, that we hope long to enjoy the Fruits of the late successful Expedition to the Westward: That we are so far from wishing to see the French again in Possession of the Ohio Country, and our Frontiers exposed to the dreadful Incursions of their Indian Allies, that we earnestly hope, by the Blessing of God on his Majesty's Arms, and the Wisdom of his Councils, the French will be entirely extirpated out of all his Dominions in North-America, and their Indian Allies thereby be rendered subject to, and dependent upon, the Crown of Great-Britain. That we have, and always have had, a due Regard for our Safety, and the Safety and Welfare

of our Posterity; That we have, and always have had, a due Regard for the Reputation of the Province; That we are, and always have been, animated by the laudable Examples of our Fellow-Subjects in the neighbouring Colonies; And that we have, and always have had, a proper Sense of Gratitude to the best of Kings, for his tender Concern and Solitude for our Security and Welfare, and to our Mother Country for the powerful Succours supported at so vast an Expence for our Protection; we hope the Proceedings of this House will evince.

We do not choose to enter into a Dispute at this Time with your Excellency upon the Impropriety of your attempting to prescribe to us what Methods to pursue for raising Supplies for his Majesty's Service, or what to deviate from, or how far such a Conduct may tend to deprive us of the Right lodged solely in us of proposing such Ways and Means, and framing such Bills for raising Supplies from the People, as we think most reasonable, most equitable, and most conducive to their Ease and Quiet; tho' there may be Reason to apprehend they may be assented to with no small Degree of Reluctance by any other Branch of the Legislature.

We are surprized your Excellency should imagine we could be guilty of so great an Absurdity, as to Resolve that we would "on no Account whatever, adopt any of the various Methods by which Supplies have been heretofore raised in this Province, nor propose" (for we must here take the Freedom to assure your Excellency we shall not receive any that may be proposed by any other Branch) "any Supply-Bill, unless it be exactly on the same Plan with those, or rather that," as you are pleased to say, "which the Gentlemen of the Upper House have four Times refused to pass, for many Reasons that have been signified to us;" and which, permit us, Sir, to say, have their full Answers in the Proceedings of the Lower House of Assembly.

However, we have thought proper that a Copy of all the Resolves of the House this Session, relating to his Majesty's Service, and the Defence and Security of this Province, should herewith be laid before your Excellency, in order that his Majesty's General may see, that nothing has been, and may be induced to entertain an Opinion that nothing will be, wanting in us for promoting the general Service, which we can do consistent with the Duty we owe to those we Represent.

H. HOOPER, Speaker.  
April 11, 1759.

**FRIDAY, 6th April, 1759.**  
**R**ESOLVED, That this House will make Provision for Levying, Cloathing, and Paying 1000 Men, to act in Conjunction with the Forces under the Command of Brigadier General STANWIX, the ensuing Campaign.

**Resolved**, That the Sum of £. 12 Bounty Money, be paid to each able-bodied Man that shall be enlisted by any Officer, and shall pass Muster, and serve under the Command of Brigadier General STANWIX; and 20s. be paid to each Officer who shall enlist such able-bodied Man.

**Resolved**, That 100 Men be raised, to act as Rangers, for the Protection of the Inhabitants on the Western Frontier of this Province.

**SATURDAY, 7th April, 1759.**  
**R**ESOLVED, That the Sum of £. 5 Bounty Money be paid, out of the Supplies to be raised, to each able-bodied Man who shall voluntarily enlist to act as a Ranger, for the Protection of the Inhabitants on the Western Frontier of this Province.

**Resolved**, That this House will, out of the first Supplies that shall be granted for his Majesty's Service, appropriate a Sum sufficient to repay the Money advanced last Year by General FOXES, for the Pay, Victualling and Cloathing of the

March 29th, 1759.  
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