

Where the Clerk of the Council propose the  
 See below

Boston July the 31 1702

The Council take upon themselves Yesterday

Captain Nathaniel Bostocks Letter of the 29<sup>th</sup> Inst  
 being and requiring this Board to lend him one hundred  
 pounds. And for the support of her Majesty's Advice Board  
 Eight now attending this Province under his Command

The said Captain Bostock being called in was told  
 that the Board has considered of his Letter & are humbly  
 sorry that it is not in their power to assist him in so great  
 an Emergency & that no instructions have been given this  
 Year or to the said Captain Bostock, to apply to them for  
 any Aid or otherwise

And since that her Majesty has no money here  
 but the 3<sup>d</sup> Part which is particularly directed to be applied  
 in Providing this Province with a Constant Magazine  
 of Arms & Ammunition they cannot supply them out  
 of their own Treasuries not having power to dispose of that  
 money any otherwise than as intended and directed. How-  
 ever that her Majesty's Service may not suffer do acquaint  
 Captain Bostock that upon this pressing Occasion they  
 will procure him 100<sup>l</sup> that provided he will give good  
 Country Security to refund the same in some reasonable  
 time

It being represented to this Board that the Dif-  
 ficulties are very numerous to draw away the unstable  
 People of this Province who not being sufficiently instruc-  
 ted in the Principles of their Religion are often seduced &  
 that the Injures & Injuries measure from the neglect  
 of the Clergy in their duty of their Parochial Ministry.