

in August next being the twenty third of the same Month, And Whereas there is no Rising of Parliament which requires their Attendance at that time, I have therefore thought fit with the Advice of his Lordship's Council of State further to prorogue the same, and I do hereby further prorogue the same to Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of September next, and to the End that all Persons concerned may have due Notice thereof, I do hereby strictly charge and require the Sheriff of the City of Annapolis to make this my Proclamation public in the said City in the usual manner, as he will answer the contrary at his Peril. Given at the City of Annapolis this 30. Day of July in the seventh Year of his Lordship's Dominion Anno Domini 1757.

Thos. C. Bond

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> of August in the seventh Year of his Lordship's Dominion, Anno Domini 1757.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor

The honourable { Benjamin Taffee Esq. Col. Benjamin Taffer  
Ed. Charles Hammond } Benedict Calvert Esq.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letters

Sir Received by Express the inclosed Copies of Letters one from General Webb and Belamy and another from Captain Christie Adjutant and Deputy Quarter Master General, which were inclosed by Mr. Kennedy President of the Council of New York who in the Absence of the Lieutenant Governor transacts the public Business, their Contents are very important, if the Enemy be as numerous as is there mentioned it must arise from a Reinforcement by the Fleet Squadron, if they gain the Possession of Fort William Henry General Webb will not I am afraid be able to stop their Progress surely the Colonies will now exert themselves, and have no Time to raise all the Forces they can. I am

Please to forward the Intelligence to Governor Dinwiddie.

Sir Your most obedient humble Servant  
William Barry

Governor Sharpe

Sir New York 6 Aug. 1757.  
Lieutenant Governor Belamy embarked Yesterday for Albany and we just now received by Express from thence the two several Letters directed to him of which we send you inclosed Copies and remain Sir Your most obedient Servant  
Arch. Kennedy

Governor Barry

Copy examined by Richard Peters Secretary