

Sir

11 Barry St. Aug. 12. 0' (Lock in the Afternoon)

This Moment I have received an Express from General Webb informing a large Body of the Enemy to the Amount of 1000. have landed, and invested Fort William Henry that for want of Men in this Condition to relieve it having previously sent all he had to a few left with him at Fort Edward desires further for me to write to all the Governors, Colonels of Militia, as the Fate of this Province depends upon it I have now sent Expresses to the Northern Governors which I understand is what he means if you think otherwise I beg you'll write to the Southern also as well as to the Northern Governors again to enforce upon them raising all the Men they can.

I am Your most obedient Servant

G. Christie Captain in the 100. Reg. & A. S. 20th

A true Copy examined by John Goodby

Copy examined by Richard Peters Secretary

To James Delancey Esq. Lieutenant Governor of the Province of New York

Sir

13 August 3. 12. Night

I am directed by General Webb to acquaint you that this Morning 5. M. H. was invested and a large Number of Boats landed with Troops and Artillery on the West Side of the Lake not far but in plain Sight from the Fort, the Communication is quite cut off between us, and a small Boat was sent out from this Place has just brought in a French Prisoner Lieutenant of the Canadians who informs us that their whole Force consists of 1000. Habitants, 4500. Indians and the rest Regulars with thirty six Pieces of Cannon and at least five Mortars, that there has been a continual Fire of Cannon and small Arms from Day Break till almost Sunset when it ceased, and we are at a Loss to know what has been the Issue of it, as our Force there did not exceed above two and twenty Hundred, we have some Fears it cannot have turned out in our favour, we are here in no Condition to assist them having but about fifteen Hundred Men in the Whole, all our Posts upon this River are called in, the Militia are every where not having been joined by any of them yet. I should imagine your Presence and Authority might be of Service, the General begs you will let us have all the Reinforcement you possibly can as the Fate of this Colony depends upon it, and that you will write a Line to the other Governors to acquaint them hereunto. I am Sir

Excuse the Hasty Manner

with great Respect

Your most obed. Humble Servant

A true Copy examined by John Goodby

G. Burtman Aide de Camp

Lieut. Governor Delancey

Copy examined by Rich. Peters Secretary

Philadelphia 13. Aug. 1757

Sir

This Moment received by Express the enclosed Letters informing me of the Surrender of