

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Monday
5th July 1763.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor
Benjamin Tasker Stephen Bordley John Ridout Esquires

Read the following letter from General Amherst

Sirs

New York 20th of June 1763.

You no doubt will have heard of the Perfidious Behaviour of the Indians in the upper Country, and of their having not only Murdered some of the Traders, but Even Invested the Post at the detroit, of Fort Pitt, altho I trust and firmly rely they can make no Impression on either of those Posts; Immediately on the first Intelligence of their Bad Designs, I took the necessary steps for Collecting together all the well force of Regulars at this Place, that I might be ready to push them forwards for the Protection of the upper Posts, and since I have learnt that the Savages seem Determined to follow their Blow, I have Ordered Every Man I could Collect either to Fort Pitt, or Niagara; and I trust they will Arrive in time to Check the Depredations of those perfidious Barbarians; but I think it necessary to give you this notice, as the Indians in general seem to be concerned, more or less, in the Plot, and that you may make such Application as you may Judge best to your Council and Assembly, for Raising with the utmost dispatch, such a Body of Men as may be sufficient for Protecting the Frontiers of your own Province

I am with great Regard Your Most Obedient Servant

His Excellency Governor Sharpe }

Jeff. Amherst