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which in Obedience to your Lordship's Commands had been sent to the Agent  
of the West India Company, since my Return to Annapolis I have received a Letter  
from Col. Lloyd, acknowledging the Receipt of them & promising that he will do  
his Endeavours to give your Lordship that Satisfaction which you expect, require  
tho' says he "Mr. Calvert does not say one Syllable to me about the West India  
he adds that my Letter or Instructions were in an unusual Strain & that he  
is sure your Lordship has no reason to complain of his Conduct" these Expressions  
own My Lord convince me of what I have before intimated to Mr. Calvert,  
that he is far from being satisfied with my interfering or concerning Myself  
with Matters that he apprehends himself intrusted with the sole Management  
of & that it is absolutely impossible for me to communicate to him your Lordship's  
Instructions with respect to the Administration of your private Affairs without  
giving Offence. however I hope your Lordship will not disapprove of the Instructions  
I sent but believe that I therein endeavoured to act as agreeable to your Lordship's  
Pleasure as possible & that I will on every Occasion to the utmost of my Power &  
Abilities do so. I have also received your Lordship's Favour by the Earl of Loudoun  
& shall take Care to pay the most punctual Obedience to what your Lordship  
therein commands, & always contribute as much as possible to promote the Service  
that his Lordship recommends; It is I hear at this time at Albany designing  
of this Regiment in the best manner for the Security of the Northern Province  
& that they may assist or on occasion cover the Retreat of the Provincial Troops  
who continue absolutely averse to acting in Conjunction with Regulars on the  
Expedition against Crown-Point. Since I left Fort Frederick we have  
received Advice that a Party of French & Indians have reduced & burnt Fort  
Granville which was one of the most considerable that the pensilv. Commissioners  
had built last Year on the Frontiers of that Province; it was situated 20  
Miles west of the Conflux of the Susquehanna & Juniata Rivers, & has been gene-  
rally garrisoned with a Company of 70 Men, tho' it seems when it was  
attacked the Garrison consisted of no more than an Ensign & 25 the rest  
of the Officers being out with Detachments to cover the People while they were  
at harvest. It is said that by some Means or other the Enemy set the  
Fort on fire that in attempting to extinguish it the Ensign & three or four  
private Men were killed & some wounded & that the Rest (their Ammunition