

of Trade both which I likewise transmit together with a copy of
the Address that they were pleased to present to myself on the occasion
as they have themselves enlarged on their Motives for taking this Step
I shall only add that their Representation is just; & that if hear
similar ones are already or will be very shortly sent home from all
the Neighbouring Colonies.

To Lord Bathurst the 10 of March 1760

My Ld.

In the Lett. which I did myself the honour to address to your
Ld^{ship} the 25th & in that which I wrote to M^r Balverst the 26 of Dec^r. I informed
you Ld^{ship} & him that the Assembly had broke up the 16 of that Month with-
out making the least provision for the Support of any Troops to act in
Conjunction with His Majesty's Forces or even to protect our Frontier In-
habitants. Your Lordship hath been also informed that at the
Request of the Lower House, I sent the Earl of Loudoun a copy of
the Supply Bill which had been framed & an Address that had been
presented to me at the Conclusion of the Session relative thereto.

On the 13 of Feby I met the Assembly again & laid before them the
Letter that His Ld^{ship} had been pleased to write to me upon receiving
the abovementioned Bill, The Lower House soon afterwards pass'd a
Vote for supporting 400 Men instead of the 500 which were sett'd
last Spring as our reasonable Quota, but not more than a Day or two
had elapsed before this Vote was reasum'd & then the Number was
reduced to 300. Before a Bill could be framed in consequence of
this Resolution I received & communicated to them another Letter
from the Earl of Loudoun wherein His Ld^{ship} desired that an Addition-
nal Number of Men over & above the 500 supposed to be already