

much longer I shall write to Genl. Stanwix & press him to send a
Company or two of Regular Troops to Fort Cumberland as soon
as possible unless he can give those that are there some Assurance
of being paid

Copy of the Lt. Letter to M^r Calvert dated the 10th of March 1750
transmitted by Capt. in the Curliiff

Sir In my Letter dated the 26th of Decem^r. I advised You of the As-
sembly's having broke up the 16th of that Month without making
any Provision for the Support of the Troops that had been raised
here the preceding Summer for His Majesty's Service & the more imme-
diate Defence & Protection of our Frontier Inhabitants - I am now
to inform You that We have had another Session since that time w^{ch}
ended Yesterday after the same manner - They were to have met
the 6th of Feby but a sufficient Number of Members to make a
House could not be got together before the 13th. On that Day I laid
before them a Letter which I had received from the Earl of Loudoun
in Answer to one that I had sent him with a Copy of the Supply
Bill which the Lower House desired me to transmit to His Laps
in Confidence that he would be thereby induced to entertain a favour-
able Opinion of their Conduct: After they had perused this Letter a
Vote was passed for supporting 400 Men instead of 500 which You
may remember was the Number settled last Spring as the reasonable
Quota of this Province but the next Day this Vote was reasumed &
then they resolved that 300 Men were as many as this Province ought
to support & that they would not provide for the Support of more than
that Number - Before any Bill could be framed in consequence
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