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I shall send You by this Opportunity a Triplicate of my last Letter together with another Copy of the Supply Bill that was rejected & a Copy of the Upper House Journal for the Sept<sup>n</sup> Session; Also Copies of the Laws that I assented to the 16<sup>th</sup> of Decem<sup>r</sup>; All which except the 5<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> being no more than Revising or Continuing Acts I need not say any thing about them, & the Rest are too simple to afford any Room for Remarks especially as the Reasons for making them are given in their respective Preambles. — Fort Cumberland is as yet garrisoned by some of the Troops that were raised for the more immediate Defence of this Province; they had some Reason to hope that the Earl of Loudoun would have given Orders for their being paid from the 5<sup>th</sup> of Oct: last out of the Contingent Fund, as the Assembly would not make any Provision for their Support; but I am afraid they will now be disappointed in such their Expectations. I cannot send by this Opportunity the Report of our several County Courts relative to the Behaviour of the Roman Catholics because they have not all answered my last Letter but I expect it will be in my power about the End of this Month to send You such a Report from the Magistrates of the several Counties in favour of those People as must convince You that the Rumours You mentioned were entirely groundless

To Lord Baltimore the 2<sup>d</sup> March

My Lord I doubt not but Your L<sup>dy</sup> is surpris'd at my delaying so long to render an Account of the Duty of one Shilling per Head that was collected by the several Naval Officers between the 29<sup>th</sup> of Sept: 1756 & the 29<sup>th</sup> of Sept: 1757 but I flatter myself Your L<sup>dy</sup> will