

& as I presume they are not already disposed of, encourage
 by the Readiness You shew'd last Year to do me Service
 I take the Liberty to desire Your Interest on this Occasion
 & flatter myself You will not refuse, to favour my Solicitation.
 General Johnson is building a Fort on an Arm of Lake
 George where he was attacked by the French in Sept last
 but oblig'd them to retire with the Loss it is said of 100
 or 200 of their Men & their General the Baron de Dieskau
 who lies ill of his Wounds in this City. When General
 Johnson has finish'd his Fort he will garrison it with
 some of the 2700 Provincial Troops that are with him
 & permit the Rest to return home for Winter Quarters;
 The Indians have lately done a great Deal of Mischief
 in Pens^a & continue still to make Incursions & cut off the
 Inhabitants who make no Defence & by w^t I can learn are
 not likely to be put in a better Posture as the Gov^r & Assem-
 bly cannot come to any Agreement about raising a Sum
 of Money for that Purpose.

Annapolis Jan^y. 4th. 1756 — Gov^r Dinwiddie

Sir Your Favour of the 22^d of Nov^r I received last week
 on my Return from N York where my Stay was protra-
 cted much longer than I expected by the General's not
 arriving till a Month after the Day he had in his Lett^r