

is supposed to be 11,000. Governor Delaney had embarked & sailed for Albany before the Express with his Letters arrived at N York, but I cannot learn that any of the Militia from that City accompanied him or shewed any Attendance to march on this Occasion. Governor Denny tells me that he has at length made a Definitive Treaty with the Delawares & their Confederates in the Name of His Majesty & on behalf of all his Subjects in America. He says the Indians expressed much Joy thereat & he seems persuaded that they will not break the Engagements which they have now entered into. They have been advised at N York that all the Vessels which sailed with Admiral Holborne were arrived at Halifax & that the Troops would re-embark & the Fleet sail thence towards the latter End of July. A Gent<sup>r</sup> of this Place is told in a Letter w<sup>ch</sup> he has received from the Westward that as the Purloper Loudoun was lately reviewing the second Battalion of the Royal Americans he narrowly escaped being killed by a Ball from one of the Morn pieces which wounded the person that stood next his Ldp at the time when 'twas fired.

To Governor Denny. August the 14<sup>th</sup> 1757.  
Sir Your Favour of the 10<sup>th</sup> Inst inclosing Copies of three Letters from General Webb's Aid de Camp, Capt Christie & Mr Kennedy was delivered to me last Night & I have this Morning agreeable to Your Desire dispatched an Express to Gov<sup>r</sup> Dinwiddie with a Letter advising him of Fort William Henry's being besieged & of the other particulars that You mention. I am sorry to learn that all the Troops which are at present under the Command of General Webb do not much exceed 4000 after having heard it said that the Garrison of Fort William Henry alone amounted to almost that Number. Unless the Militia of the Northern Colonies do instantly reinforce General Webb I suppose the Fort must be reduced for as the Enemy could not want Intelligence after the Success that they met with the other Day, they are certainly well informed of the General's Strength & confident that it is impossible for the Garrison to hold out.