

other Letters from England are yet come to hand neither do we know the Event
of the Expedition against Ticonderoga. ---

To Governor Denny. the 10th of March 1758. ---

Sir
I this Morning received Your Letter of the 7th Inst. together with the
five Packets therein mentioned, four of which, I immediately dispatched to
Virginia. Colonel Haldiman tells me that Le Plante was re-delivered
to the Keeper of our Prison thro some Mistake of the Surgeant that
was charged with him; as this is the Case, He will continue here till the
Colonel has another Opportunity of sending him either to Lancaster or Phil.
The Surgeant was only desired to take the Deserter Le Fievre, with him on
a Supposition that he would be able to get some Employment at Phil.
tho he does not understand English. The Gentlemen of our Upper House
of Assembly having rejected the Supply Bill, which the Lower House had
framed & the latter having thereupon resolved that they would not enter
on any New Business I prorogued them Yesterday Morning & in the Evening
issued Orders for two more Companies of Militia to march to the Frontiers
& relieve those that are now there; being determined to depend entirely on
the Militia for the Security of the Frontiers during the approaching Cam-
paign, but what Measures the Gentlemen of the Council will now advise
me to pursue I know not. all that I can say is that if we will have
Supplies granted, we must submit to such Terms as the Lower House will
be pleased to impose, that it will be much against my Conscience to do so.
Should this happen, the Governour of Maryland, as well as the Upper House,
will become contemptible, & must think of Nothing hereafter but how they
may yield most decently to every Demand that the Lower House of Assembly
shall think proper to make. (I should take it as a particular Favour
if You will be so kind as to give me a Hint of what is likely to be the Issue
of Mr Franklin's Embassy & to tell me whether You have any prospect of
persuading Your Assembly to grant Supplies at this time, in consequence of
Pitt's Letter by such a Method & on such Conditions as You can approve of
accept.)