

Stanwic & desired that some other Troops might be ordered to Fort Cumberland
which I presume will be done, as soon as the Roads become practicable. I
thought it incumbent on me to make such Application, lest Accidents should
happen but I still hope that when I communicate to the Assembly the
Contents of Your last Letter the Consideration of what our most gracious
Sovereign & the Parliament of Great Britain have already done for us together
with the certain prospect of an active Campaign & the hopes of some
Compensation for what they may expend will induce them to contribute towards
the Execution of the plan that Brigadier Forbes is directed to pursue.

To the Lords of Trade. the 16th of March 1750

Wth Hon^{ble}

The Owners & Clerks of the Iron Works within this Province
having at length enabled me to send Your Lordships a particular
answer to Your Letter dated the 9th of June last as Your Ldps will see
by the inclosed Return I embrace the first Opportunity of transmitting
it and am ... Wth Hon^{ble}

To General Abercromby the 20th of March 1750

Sir I do myself the honour to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter dated
at N York the 15th Inst. & also to inform You that in consequence of All Pitts
Letters of the 30th of Decem^r. our Assembly is to meet here on Thursday next
when You may be assured I will use my utmost endeavours to obtain as
large a Number of Men as possible for the Service of the ensuing Campaign
but at the same time I think it my Duty to tell You that from a mind the
Assembly will not be prevailed on to exert themselves in such a manner as You
seem to expect. It was not without the greatest Difficulty that I could persuade
them last Spring to augment our Troops to soo the each of the neighbouring
Colonies at the same time engaged to raise & support more than double that