

of those had the Small Pox many Years ago & that 25 of the 60 have been there
five Days at Conegochiegh. under the Command of Capt Joshua Beall that
in Case You should think proper to send a Party to Fort Cumberland there
might not be the least Danger of their carrying any Infection. Capt A Beall
assures me that none of the Men under his Command except two are suffered
to go to the House where those that had the Small Pox were & he seems very
sanguine in his hopes that he shall be able to hinder the Distemper from Spreading.

To Sr J. M'Clair. M^r Darnalls near Frederick Town. the 3^d of June 1750

Dep^t. Since the General leaves it entirely to You & me to settle & pay what is
due to the Troops that are in Garrison at Fort Cumberland & Fort Frederick
It is time I think You should know what Sum will be sufficient that You may
proceed to coin as soon as You please for that purpose. By the inclosed Sketch
or general Account You will see that there was due to our Troops the 8th of
April last a Trifle more than £4536 Currency or £2035 ^{stg} & that the Agent
Victuallers Account for supplying with Provisions from the 8th of Oct: last to that
time amounts to £2970:15 Currency exclusive of a Hospital Account & the Ex-
-pence of carrying Provisions from Fort Frederick to Fort Cumberland. There is
likewise a considerable Sum due to him for Victualling the several Parties of Indians
that have been at those Forts since the Beginning of April 1750. but what the
exact Sum is I do not as yet know. You have been already told that our Lower
House of Assembly gave it as their Opinion in October last that no Forces which
should be placed as a Garrison in Fort Cumberland could contribute in any
manner whatever to the Security of the Province; they resolved also at the same
time that they would neither pay nor victual any Men that should be thereafter
sent or ordered to garrison that place. When I sent the Earl of Loudoun Advice
of the Assemblys having come to such a Resolution & intreated him to order some of
His Majesty's regular Troops to march & take Possession of that place lest the Mary-
-land Forces should hear that the Assembly had granted no Money for their fur-
-ther Support & should thereupon abandon it His L^{dy} was pleased to tell me that
it was extremely inconvenient to move the Troops at such a Distance at that
Season of the Year & that therefore if I would keep them up the Maryland Forces
or as many of them as might be necessary to garrison Fort Cumberland he would