

which You'll see, make one Article in my Account I did hope & expect
that the Assembly would have made me whole since they had intimated
to me their Desire that I would undertake that Journey: I am sure I saved
them by my Presence there while Fort Frederick was building a much
larger Sum than I have charged, but their Proceedings when my Account
was at their next Meeting laid before 'em leave me little room to hope that
they will ever do me Justice with respect to that Article. I never did in-
deed flatter myself that the Assembly would repay me any of the Money
that I disbursed on the Frontiers last Summer, because I was then on a
Service to which they had declared an utter Aversion; I mean my carrying
Militia to garrison Fort Cumberland & Fort Frederick in Order that Brig
Forbes's Army might be strengthened with the Soldiers which must have been
otherwise left at those Posts, but as that measure of mine was of great Ser-
vice to the General & was undertaken at his Request I do not think I should
be unreasonable in expecting some Recompence. I have been told that
the Assemblies of the Neighbouring Colonies have not even in the Height
of their Disputes refused to make their Governors an Allowance for all
Expenses & Letters that were sent or received by them relative to the publick
Service, but our people have formally resolved that they will not be burthened
with any such Expence, saying that such Charges ought to be paid out of
the Money that is appropriated by sundry Acts of Assembly for the Sup-
port of Gov^t as Fines Forfeitures & the like which are at present all
accounted for to the L^d Propriety's Agent & Receiver General. Thus You
see that in those Respects I am in a worse Situation than any of my Bro-
ther Governors, for which reason perhaps You'll say I ought to be more
frugal, but really with regard to the Disbursements mentioned in the in-
closed Account, I do not see how I could have avoided them. If You

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