

time that the Assembly dropt 'em till General Forbes ordered them to be victu-
alled by the Kings Commissary have put into my hands the Memorial that
I mentioned to You together with Copies of the Muster Rolls & their Accounts; as
I did not know but my So or Mr Calvert might take it amiss if I transmitted
these Papers to the Secretary of State thro any other Persons hands I have directed
them all for Mr Calvert together with my Lett. for Mr Pitt but as I much question
whether he will choose to wait on the Secretary of State upon such an Errand but
he should be askt some disagreeable Questions I have intimated to him that if
he would rather decline the Office I flatter myself You will present my Lett.
to Mr Pitt & also that You or Mr Phill will take Charge of the Muster Rolls
& Accounts in Case they should be called for will then deliver them to the
Secretary of States Order. As I have wrote fully to Mr Calvert concerning
the Affair he will if he desires Your Advice or Assistance therein communi-
cate to You the Contents of my Lett. It would I apprehend be unnecessary
to trouble You with a longer one on the Subject, wherefore I shall only
add that if You will be so kind as to do the Officers of Mr Ross all
the Service in Your Power it will give me great pleasure because in
the first place their Case is really such as entitles them to Pity & if they
succeed in the Application they are now making the Assembly must believe
that their Success is in a great Measure owing to me, & the reasonable ones
among us will be apt to conclude from the Ministry's recompensing the Officers
for their Services that the Assemblys Conduct with regard to them is not much
approved of. (When I wrote to You the 13 July I had thoughts of trans-
mitting the Muster Rolls &c. to the Earl of Loudoun but as I understand
he spends a good deal of time in Scotland & moreover that he & Mr Pitt are not on
the best Terms with each other I thought it would be best to proceed in the
manner that I have now done, however I have advised His Ld. of the Officers
having address'd a Memorial to Mr Pitt & if You think his intersting him