

In consequence of this Message a Committee of both Houses is appointed to draw up such an Address which (if they can agree on one, tho' that is doubtful as the Lower House talk of inserting a Clause about Aggravation) I hope will be presented to me in a Day or two for my Approbation & His Ldp. might depend that I shall immediately send the same to New York to be transmitted by the first Packet or Man of War that may sail thence for Great Britain, I will send a Duplicate by the way of Virg^a or should the Lower House decline joining with His Ldp. & the Council I will nevertheless transmit an Address to be presented to His Majesty. You will perceive by my Speech to the Assembly (which ought to have met the 7th Inst but a sufficient Number of Members to make a Lower House did not come together till the 13th) that I was required by Mr Pitt as well as by General Amherst to solicit them once more for Supplies that a Number of Troops may be raised in this Province as well as in the Neighbouring Colonies for the Security & Defence of the Kings Dominions & Conquests on this Continent, His Majesty having been pleased to give Orders that a considerable Body of his Regular Forces which have been employed in North America for some Years past should be now transported hence to act offensively against the Enemy in some other Quarter. The Secretary of State's Letter being a Circular One I understand that the Legislatures of the several Provinces to the Northward of Philadelphia have thereupon made Provision for the Support during this Campaign of as many Men as were required of them respectively, but I learn from Phil^a that the Assembly of Pennsylvania have Resolved (by a Majority of three Voices) that they will not raise any more Men nor support more than

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