

others were appointed to prepare a Bill on that Plan & it was last Friday evening sent to the Upper House & returned thence with a Negative, the Saturday following: The next Day a Motion was made, for Raising 300 Men, but the Majority, having then carried a Vote for postponing it until a Message should be drawn up sent to the Upper House in answer to one they had sent down with the Bill, it hath not been yet determined whether any less Number of Men than 300 shall be raised or not, but I suppose it will be now finally determined in a few Days, after which I shall not fail to advise you of our Proceedings by the first opportunity, & till you receive my Letters I hope you will not be made uneasy by any thing our Letter Writers may take the Liberty to suggest to our Correspondents. Governor Hamilton having received a similar Letter from the Secretary of State convened his Assembly also, but they are broke up again without granting any Supplies. The Assembly's sitting at this time, & it is under a necessity of putting off our Meeting at Newcastle till the 30 of this or 1<sup>st</sup> of next Month, before which time I hope that either Governor Hamilton or I shall receive the Instrument we applied for last Fall, if not we shall endeavour to proceed without it in the best manner we can. I understand that there is a Ship of H<sup>r</sup> the? Philpot just come into Portauent from London. I enclose I send you my Speech at the Opening of the Session with the Address of both Houses in Answer thereto, which I beg the favour of you to present with my Best As to this Lady: Was it not for increasing the postage I would have sent you two Copies: I am

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Copy of <sup>th</sup> Letter to H<sup>r</sup> Calvert Dated Annapolis the <sup>11</sup> of May 1762  
transmitted by W<sup>r</sup> Carlyle.

In my Letter dated the 15 of April I advised you of our Assembly's being then sitting in consequence of Letters I had received from the Earl of Egmont & R<sup>r</sup> Jeffery Amherst & that the Lower House seemed determined to adhere to their favourite Settlement Bill, such having been the case, as you will see, by the inclosed Copy