

this Province to make this my Proclamation publick in their respective Counties in the usual manner as they will answer the contrary at their Obed. Obed. at the City of Annapolis this 12th Day of August in the 26th Year of his Britannic Majesty's Dominion Annoq Domini 1740

Great Seal

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter received by him from the Governour of Virginia

Sir

Not knowing when the Officers may arrive in your Government, I shewith send you the substance of a Letter I addressed to you by them

I have enclosed you Commission for three Companies, the Number of Men at present expected from your Government, and sent you the like Number of Lieutenants and Sergeants with Arms & Powder and Cloathing for the Officers, so must desire you to furnish the Men you have enlisted accordingly: Col Blakney has sent you Bills to raise Money, and I must intreat you to provide Transports so that I may be sure to have your Men at the place of Rendezvous within the Limits of Virginia, before the middle of September

Please to date the Commissions the 9th of June, & Endorse on the Back the Day of Delivery I am in a great Hurry

M<sup>r</sup>. Rowley  
24 July 1740

Your most humble servant  
W<sup>m</sup>. Gooch

It is the humble Advice of this Board to his Excellency that he be pleased to give the Gentlemen appointed by Act of Assembly to provide Transports for the Troops to be raised in this Province, Notice of the Contents of the said Act, which his Excellency did in the following Words

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12. August 1740

As I have received Advice from the honorable Col William Gooch, who is to have the Command of the Troops to be raised in America for his Majesty's Service in the West Indies, that he expects the Troops