

To General Webb. at Albany. The 23 of June, 1766. From the Honorable  
John Murray. His Majesty's Secretary of State.  
I do myself the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Favor of the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst. which  
gives me the agreeable Account of Your safe Arrival in America. I thank You for forwarding  
to me the Lett from Mr Calvert as well as those from the Secretary of State. The first I  
was with principally to introduce me to Yourself in case I should have an Opportunity of  
paying my Respects to You in Person & of convincing You that Lord Baltimore's Measure has  
signified is most agreeable to my own Inclinations. By one of these Letts from Mr Fox  
I am directed to prepare & transmit to the Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in  
America an exact & particular Accot. of the present Condition of this Province, the Number  
of our Inhabitants, Quantity of Cannon small Arms Ammunition, & other Ordnance Stores in  
our Magazine or in the hands of the Militia together with a true State of all Places  
fortified or which I might judge necessary to be fortified in this Province, & as I cannot  
well give a more particular Account of these Matters than I have already done to the Hon<sup>ble</sup>  
the Lords of Trade I will take the Liberty to inclose You a Copy of my Lett to  
their Ldps in Teby last since which time no material Alteration has been made in  
the Condition or Circumstances of this Province — In a Letter which I did myself  
the honor to address to the Earl of Loudon the 31<sup>st</sup> of May I informed his Ldps  
that a Sum of Money had been granted by our Assembly for supporting a Body of  
Men if it should be thought proper for carrying on an Expedition to the Westward  
I now inclose an Extract of the Act that grants such Money whereby You will see that  
tho it is made payable to any gent<sup>l</sup> that shall be appointed to command on such  
Expedition yet our Treasurers are not at liberty to pay it till the Pensioners as well  
as the Virginians have granted proportionable Supplies for the same Purpose. If his Ldps  
on this Arrival or the Commander in Chief shall think proper to have the Money there  
applied I hope to receive their Commands that I might be able to communicate them in  
time to our Assembly which I must convene for that Purpose. As they thought proper  
at their last Meeting to appropriate a particular Sum for constructing some Places of  
Defence on our Frontiers & raising 200 Men for the immediate protection of the Inhabitants I  
am agreeable to their Desire come hither to give the necessary Orders for building such  
Places; in about a Month I believe I shall return again to Annapolis where I shall  
be always proud to receive any Commands from his Ldps or Yourself for all Occa-  
sions endeavour to shew that I am &c