

† The Expence already made on our Fortresses, Garrison, marches and
Guards by Sea, amounting to more than Seventy Thousand pounds
the greater part whereof is in arrear and unpaid, Besides the daily
growing charge for our necessary defence and prosecution of the War
which is become almost insupportable, has brought us under very distressing
circumstances. And were the ^{support} charge of a Fort at Tamaquid supported
thereto, it would render ^{the} ^{besides our ability,} charge insupportable, and we humbly
conceive would be no security to our Frontiers or bide to the Indian
the situation thereof being so much out of their ordinary roads, and
upwards of one hundred miles distant from any part of the Province at present
inhabited by the English, nor were we sensible of any proportionable advantage
to a great charge we were formerly at for building and support of a Fort there,
for which reasons, we humbly hope your Majesty will please to hold us excused
for not rebuilding the same

The rest of your Majesty's Colonies and Plantations on this Continent as far
as Virginia enjoy a great deal of quiet &c.

transposed . . . If your Majesty shall be graciously pleased to command the service of the
Mohawks against the French and their Indians, which they express themselves
ready to. they might divert and prevent the ~~the~~ Incursions of the French
& Indians from Canada upon us

x That your Majesty's Armes may obtain ^{yet} further and more glorious Victories
over all your Majesty's Enemies, and a lasting Peace be thereby procured
for all Europe and within all your Majesty's Dominions, And for your Majesty's
long and prosperous Reign, is and shall be the constant fervent
prayer of.

Madam.

Your Majesty's most loyal & dutiful Subject

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further and more glorious Victories over all your Majesty's Enemies. And that
a lasting Peace may thereby be procured for all Europe, and throughout
all your Majesty's Dominions. — and for your Majesty's long & prosperous Reign.
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And if your Majesty in your Princely wisdom shall think fit to reduce
Countries of Canada and Acadia under the obedience of your Imperial
Crown. We protest

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