

U. H. J. Pieces; The Boundless ambition of the common Enemy and the cruel
 Liber No. 34 Rage of their Savage allies, now upon Our Borders flushed with
 July 17 Victory indispensibly require a Vigorous and immediate Exertion of
 all Our Powers to check their Progress

p. 508 The Indians who are our friends likewise claim our assistance,
 while their Warriors are in the field with our Troops their women
 and Children are sent to us to be protected and Supported, This is the
 greatest Demonstration they can give of the Confidence they place in
 us, nor can I doubt but at this Critical Period when the French
 are employing every artifice to allievate their affections from us, You
 will embrace so fair an opportunity of firmly attaching them to our
 Interest by taking care to have their Wives and Children Hospitably
 Treated while they are obliged to Stay with us and implore Our
 Protection

As our Settlements on the Frontiers must be the first exposed to
 the Inroads of the Enemy, I have ordered a Supply of Ammunition
 to Frederick County, and with the Advice of his Ldps Council of
 State issued a Proclamation for the Militia to be put in the best Pos-
 ture of Defence that they may be prepared to act in case of Necessity
 and by the Same Advice have at the Earnest request of Colonel Innes
 Commander in Chief of the North Carolina Forces granted him a
 Supply of Arms which considering the present urgency of affairs
 could not have been denied.

The Money in the Treasurers hands for the Purchasing of arms
 and Ammunition being near exhausted I must recommend to you in
 the Strongest manner the Raising a Sufficient Fund for that Purpose
 so Necessary at this time for the defence of this Province and must
 likewise observe that the present State of the Militia require your
 most Serious Attention.

Gentlemen,

There never was a conjuncture in which your Unanimity Vigor
 and dispatch were more Necessary than now and as I depend upon the
 prudence of your Resolutions, I am persuaded you will make Such
 Provisions adequate to the present Emergency, as will best express
 Your Zeal for his Majestys Service, the Security and Welfare of this
 Province and the Support of the common Cause

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock

July 18

Thursday Morning 18.th July 1754

This house met again according to Adjournment

Present as Yesterday with the Addition of Cof George Plater
 Mess.^{rs} Handy and Waggaman from the Lower house attend with
 Cof John Henry a Member Elected for Worcester County in order