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Carlisle 3^d Apr 1777

Dear Sir

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 it's too true Mrs Montgomery Joyns in
 Compliments to you and Mr Yeates

I am Dear Sir your Servant
 John Montgomery

Capt Yeates Lenth

JOHN MONTGOMERY. Autograph Letter Signed, one full page, legal folio, Carlisle, April 3, 1777. To Captain Yeates Lunhⁿ.

Carlisle 3^d Ap^l 1777

Dear Sir

Inclosed you have sundrie papers from Mr. Davaise Smith which informs that the Indians have done Damage in this Province and that and Indian war seems near at hand. I tremble for the Poor Inhabitants who are almost unprovid'd with arms and indeed too many of these men is order'd away. I fear Congress will see their Error when too late in ordering Col. McCays Battalion from Ketaning. I think imediate assistance ought to be sent and I hope you will write to Mr. Wilson to urge it in the warmest manner. Suppose some of the Militia were ordered from Virginia and some from Bedford County and some from Maryland to continue there for a few months untill Regular troop(s) could be sent up. These are a few Crude thoughts as the Bearer waits. I have the above account from Wm. Lockrey and believe it' too true. Mrs. Montgomery joyns in Compliments to you and Mrs. Yeates.

I am Dear Sir your very

Humb^l Servant

John Montgomery

Cap^t Yeates Lunhⁿ

*Jasper Yeates 1745-1817
Canadian
Capt. of mil. 1776. No active
service beyond com. by Cong.
to may. a br. w. ls. at Ft. Pitt*