

feat. It was composed of Mr. De Lan- 1755.
 ceys the Lieut. Governor, Mess. Alex-
 ander, Kennedy, Murray, Holland,
 Chambers, and Smith; and the opini-
 on of that board then was, " That not
 " only the King's forces to the south-
 " ward, but also those that could be
 " spared from Nova Scotia, should
 " quarter near Albany, for any future
 " operations." This resolve Mr. De
 Lancey transmitted to the general at
 Oswego; and as Dunbar's troops were
 ordered to Albany, for the defence of
 that country, and particularly to make
 a stand, in case the provincials were
 defeated; they had, methinks, the
 highest reason to expect favour from the
 inhabitants, and the special countenance
 of the government, even had they been
 quartered upon them as usual; and
 which at present is actually the case, by
 express orders of my Lord Loudon.
 The general, I say, had no reason to
 expect, upon this head, any opposition
 from the civil magistrate. But Sir
 Charles Hardy, on his arrival at Alba-
 ny, about the 26th of September, sig-
 nified to him by letter, his apprehen-
 sions of uneasiness arising among the
 inhabitants, should the soldiers be quar-
 tered upon private families; and wished
 to have his excellency's orders for build-
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