

of all our forces now. And I trust should the forces be brought together, I shall be as ready to attend the Commissioners orders, as your officers or any others shall ; it being my concern, both with respect to the publick Interest & my own. Our hast will not pmitt us to Inlarg. We commend you with ourselves to y<sup>o</sup> great keeper of Israel, whose everlasting armes are underneath his distressed ones in their most low estate, & in him remaine

S<sup>rs</sup> : Your worship<sup>s</sup> most  
assured ffreind & serv<sup>t</sup>

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SAMUEL APPLETON.

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THE COUNCIL OF MASSACHUSETTS TO SAMUEL APPLETON.

Boston: Octobr. 15: 1675.

CAPT. APPLETON,

Yo<sup>r</sup> last came to us the 14<sup>th</sup> instant, wherby we are well satisfy<sup>d</sup> with yo<sup>r</sup> acceptance of the charge comitted to you, not doubting of yo<sup>r</sup> care and dilligence therin, and therefore for the present you must not expect any alteration. We are apt to think our orders are not rightly understood, as that you instance in, about fixing of garrisons. It was judged here that having furnished a body of 500 men, a considerable Stretch, and a very great charge for the defence of one part of the country (other parts being not only in danger, but actually assaulted and spoyled, and Suffering