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Hugh Montgomery
Bonaventure

Honourable Sir

May 24

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By the Bearer Mr. Ross allow me

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to congratulate you —

It would give me great pleasure to hear from you & to assist me with your advice in many things that concern the affairs of the Province.

By His Majesty's Proclamation trade with the Ind^{us} is forbid without a License from the Gov^r or Commanded in Chief —

Retailing of Spirituous Liquors is also forbid by the Laws of the Province —

Many of the Inhabitants trade with the Ind^{us} & some of them to my certain knowledge retail Spirituous Liquors to the Detriment of the fishery & hurt of the poor inhabitants

At this distance from the Seat of Government what method is proper to be pursued & how are the Guilty to be made Examples of —

The peltries here are chiefly packed up & kept in reserve for one Chas. Robins from Jersey who is yearly here & who tells Mr. Board of Halifax that his Deliv^{ys} were for a French Market.

He left an agent on the Coast last year who with himself
went round this bay both in this Province & Halifax
He has also left one this Season A League from this

Our friend Mr. Manwaring came to
Daspabrae this Summer where he seized &
sent to Halifax both a Brigantine & Snow
of the same Name.

Will you be pleased to give me orders &
instructions how I may stop some of these
running peltries & send them to you

The Government has from time to time
promised a Command of Troops for this place
& neglected it. if they come well if not
any body may be a Magistrate on the
Coast for me. Allow me once more to beg
your advice & assistance I have the honour
to be
Honoured Sir

Your most Obedient
&
Most humble
Hugh Montgomerie

Bonaventure

17th Oct. 1768

For The Honourable
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George H. Hoop Esq^r
Secretary of the Province of
Quebec

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