

Hartford June 5th 1778

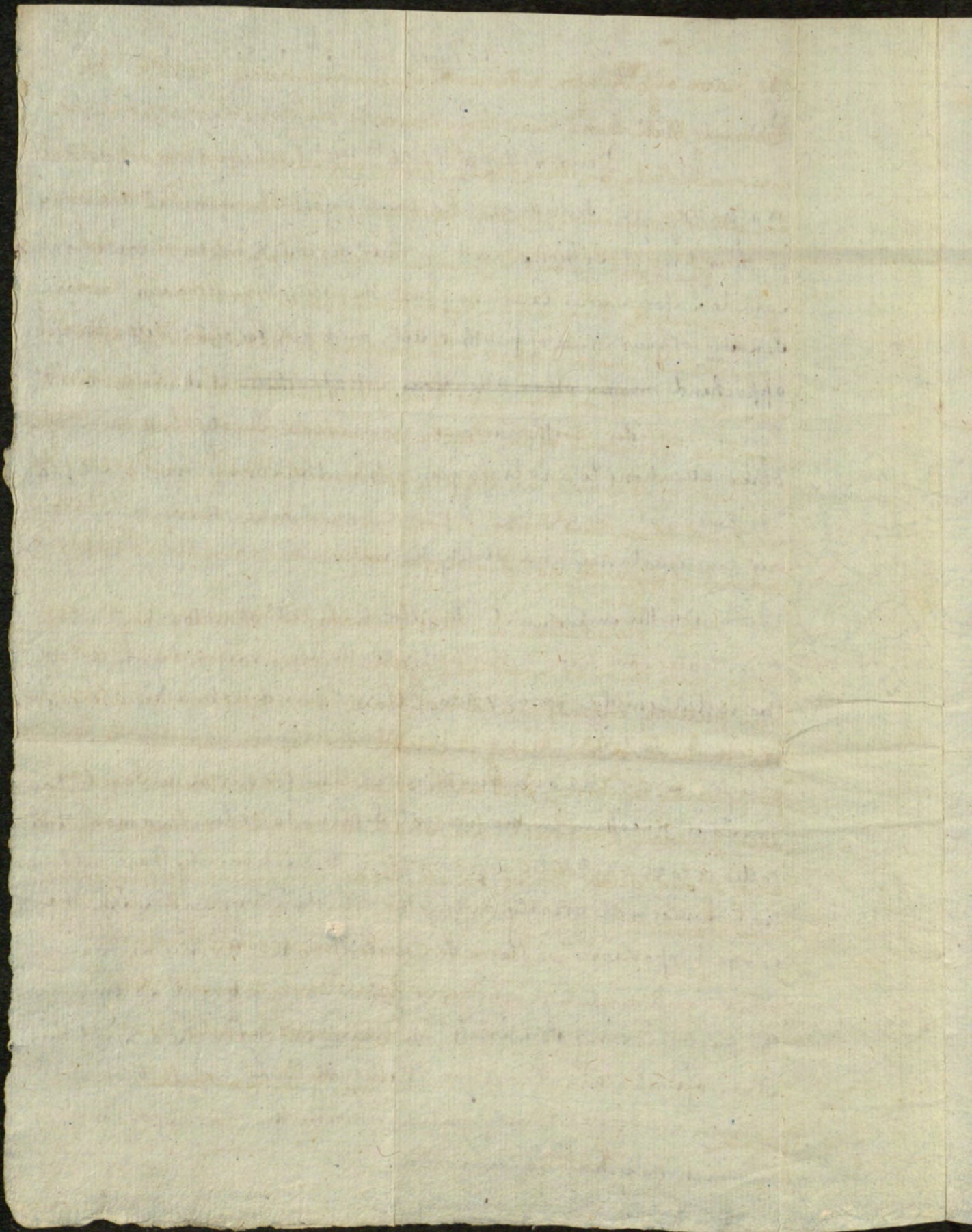
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Sir

Your letter of the 26th Ult^o has been duly receiv'd as also Maj^r Gen^l Sullivan's, and laid before the General Assembly in their present Sessions, and on their serious & mature Consideration I am to Inform your Excellency that the Assembly, although they are Sensible of your Need of further aid, and feel for your Distresses, yet apprehend ~~many other attentions~~ ~~yet apprehend~~ it is not in their Power, consistent with our own immediate Safety, and many other attentions to and Engagements in the common Cause, to afford you, at present, the Assistance they would cheerfully do, would our Circumstances and Ability permit.

On the importunate Request of Gen^l Washington and Maj^r Gen^l Gates, we have order'd Six Battalions, rais'd by an Act of the last Assembly, for our own Defence, and with a View to yours, to join the latter at, or near the North River; and Three Troops of Light Horse, and as a further aid and for our own Safety, have found it necessary in the present Session, to order Two more Battalions to be rais'd by a peremptory Detachment, these additional Levies will greatly distress the Husbandry, and with the large proportion we have furnish'd to the Army, and various other Continental Services, together with a Great Number in the privateering Business, we have Exceedingly drain'd this State of Inhabitants fit for Military Duty, while those that remain are extremely fatigued with the Variety of Services to which they have been call'd.

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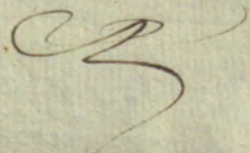
We have also Reason to believe, it much more probable the Enemy Will bend their Way towards Hudson River, or more immediately on this State, than any where further Eastward, in either case our utmost Exertions will be wanted this way.

The Contiguous & comparatively Safe Situation of Massachusetts Bay and New Hampshire renders it, we apprehend, more proper and reasonable they should afford you the necessary aid, we have stipulated with Massachusetts for two Hundred of the Quota we were to furnish your State, in lieu of so many we supply for them to Maj. Gen. Gates, & we trust those two States, whose Circumstances so much better admit of it, will not leave you destitute of competent Support.

The Stipulation in this Behalf, at Springfield, the last Year, was then as near as possible perform'd on our Part, but future Events could not have been foreseen, and from the Nature of the Thing it could not be understood to be perpetually binding, but with or without the Obligation of any previous Contract, we shall be equally willing to afford any of our Sister States, on all Occasions, every Assistance in our Power.

I am Sir with the greatest Respect
your Excellency's most obed.
and most humbl. Servt.

Jonth. Trumbull



Gov. Green

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Gov. Trumbull's Letter
to Gov. Green

June 5. 1778

Letter from Gov. Green to
Gov. Trumbull
June 5, 1778.

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Yours Excellency's most obedt

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