



Since my last nothing remarkable has come  
to my knowledge — in your imagination you will have a  
perfect acc<sup>t</sup> of the affair at Loyathannan which here  
still remains an impenetrable secret

Mr. Baker brought up some Cabbages & Potatoes  
for you which in your name sent to the Generals — Col<sup>o</sup>  
Byrd has provided some Forage for your Cow & Self and  
we will take particular care of them — As the weather is  
good and Waggones arrives very fast I flatter myself with  
the hopes of being with you soon — I beg you will please  
present my Compliments to the Do<sup>r</sup> McNeil & Mr. Kincaid  
and give me leave to subscribe myself  
with the most perfect Esteem

My Dear Col<sup>o</sup>

Your truly affectionate &  
Most Obliged & humble Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Robert Stewart

Camp at Broad Run

Oct. 17. 1758

A Council of war was held at August Court house (in obedience to his  
the governors orders by the under named officers

Present

Col<sup>o</sup> John Buchanan

David Stewart

Major John Brown

Captains Joseph Fullin

Robert West

Patrick Martin

William Christian

Robert Breckinridge

James Lockart

Israel Christian

Samuel Hahnaker

Thomas Armstrong

Who having taken their Oaths proceeded to business  
Whereas his honor the governor has sent repeated orders to the  
officers of the militia of this County to meet and consult on the most  
proper place to build forts along the frontiers for the protection of the  
Inhabitants. It is therefore unanimously agreed by the said Council  
that a fort be built at (Bellevue) on the south branch of Calowmacks  
nigh mill creek at some convenient spot of ground for a fort, which is  
left to the direction of the officers appointed for that service, also another  
fort to be built at (Stough mans) mill on the same track. — and another  
fort to be constructed at the most convenient place and the pass of a  
great importance between the above said tract and the house of  
Matthew Harper on Bull pasture which is to be built at the direction  
of the officer appointed for that purpose also a fort to be constructed  
at Mathews Harper on some convenient spot there, and a fort to be  
erected at (Capt John Miller) on Jacksons river, and the frontier  
are properly protected by the forts of (Capt. Hoop) Breckinridge & (Breckinridge)  
There is no want of a fort unto the mouth of Johns creek a branch of  
Craige creek, at which place a fort is to be built and at Fort Station  
is sufficient to guard that important pass the next convenient place  
South West of fort William is at Neals W. Neals where a fort is ordered  
to be built at or nigh that plantation, and the next fort to be built  
at (Capt James Campbell) and a fort is to be built at (Capt. Hauser)  
where a large body of men is to be kept as it is a very important pass  
also a fort to be constructed at (John Mason) on the South side of  
Kavanaugh

It is agreed that the following number of Men is  
necessary to be placed at each fort