

[Sharpe to Dinwiddie.]

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Annapolis, January 13<sup>th</sup>

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M<sup>r</sup> Lloyd the Gentleman who presents you this having acquainted me with his Intention to depart hence for Williamsburg to Morrow I was glad to embrace this Opportunity of acknowledging the Receipt of your favour of the 2<sup>d</sup> Inst. I also desired him to trouble himself with a Pacquet directed to Your Honour which I received last Saturday from Governor Morris, as I apprehend He thereby acquaints you with their proceedings & what He expects will be the Issue of his Assemblys meeting I will not trouble you with a Repetition of what He has writ to me. It is very probable that the Gentleman who is appointed to direct the Expedition will apply to you for those Mortars & Shells in case a sufficient Supply be not sent from home & as to those Wheels they will be found useful at the Camp if you will be pleased to send them by any way up thither You will be pleased to pay that Bill of M<sup>r</sup> Hunters. I imagine the Guns as well as the Cordage may be found serviceable notwithstanding Ordnance & Military Stores are expected from home, & the Rum I will order to be taken Care of for the use of the Troops as it may be found necessary & if you please I will repay you the Amount of the Bill. The first Division of the Troops at Belhaven have Orders to march to Day for the Camp whither I am now about to proceed myself & propose to tarry there about a Month if no fresh Advices or Instructions require my earlier Return to Annapolis As some of the Train will arrive from England you will not want those Men from Captain Arbuthnot of which I presume you will acquaint him. I shall take an Opportunity of writing to you from the Camp & acquainting you how I find things going on there I am &

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Sir

At the time I was setting out for Wills-Creek a Letter came to hand from S<sup>r</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Robinson & having in compliance therewith given necessary Directions for procuring a quantity of fresh provision & raising a proportion of Men for completing the British Regiments I proceeded to the Fort to prepare Materials & build Barracks there for the Reception of the Troops under your Command that as little time might be lost as possible.

Soon after my Arrival I was favoured w<sup>th</sup> a Letter from S<sup>r</sup>