Letter Bk. I. Ldp's favours wch might be better conferred on those who have recommended themselves by some preceeding merit & to that He can by no means have any pretensions..

P S.   I take this opportunity of informing you of the arrival of the arms by Capt White from w^m I received y^r favour of the 29th of August—

[Governor De Lancey to Sharpe.]

New York 11 Decr 1753.

Sir

On Friday last I recieved the inclosed letter, (with others to the Governors of Virginia, Pensylvania, New Jerseys, New Hampshire & the Massachusetts Bay) from the Lords Commissioners for Trade and the Plantations to be forwarded as addressed; and as they are referred to in thier Lordships letter to me, I inclose you an extract of it, in persuance of which I proposed an interview with the Indians at Albany on the 13th or 14th day of next June.   The Assembly have this day resolved, that they will make Provision for the presents usually given on such occasions and for the expence of my Voyage, so that I intend to meet the Indians at the time and place abovementioned,   The Assembly have also resolved (upon my laying before them the letter from the Earl of Holdeness one of his Majestys principal Secretaries of state) that they will make a suitable Provision for Assisting any of the Neighbouring Colonies to repell force by force in case they be invaded in an Hostile manner by any armed force whatsoever.   I send you the extract of a letter from the Commanding Officer at Oswego, by which it appears, if the information be true, that the designs of the French on the Ohio have proved abortive. I am

Sir
Your most obedient & most
humble Servant
James De Lancey

The Honble Horatio Sharp
Governor of Maryland.

Original.   [Lord Glencairn to Sharpe.]

My Dear Sharpe

I dont know if I should have troubled you with a letter till such time as you had made as much money as you deserved and had come home and setled in your own countrie, then I wold have writ you a letter of Congratulation, but as I'm now obliged to trouble you on another account before I mention