

Letter Bk. II. pay justice if I forgot or neglected to acquaint you that these Gentlemen the one from Virginia the other from the Lower part of this province have offered their Service & propose to go on the Expedition. I yesterday received Advice from the Camp that 15 french Indians of different Tribes came thither lately in an amicable manner & at a Conference which was held with them made great professions of their & their respective Tribes being determined to remain entirely neuter & not to interfere in the Disputes which they observed subsisting between the French & us, but notwithstanding all their Assurances I cannot persuade myself to put any great Confidence in their promises or to entertain any very favourable Opinion of their Sincerity as I am informed that they came immediately from the French Fort. Governor Morris has just acquainted
 p. 57 me that he has received Intelligence of the Arrival of a very considerable Body of the Enemy on the Ohio, but as he also informs me that he has already taken several Opportunities of transmitting such an Account to your hand I will not be troublesome by a Repetition, or presume any longer to intrude on your time at present than to profess with what Duty & Respect

I am Right Honble Sir
 Your most humb & devoted Serv^t

[Sharpe to Morris.]

Ian^y 13th

Sir

I could not help embracing the Opportunity by Capt Rutherford of acknowledging the Receipt of your favour of the 7 Inst. I need not express to you how much I am concerned at the Account you sent me of your Assemblys Obstinacy. I cannot but approve of your sending a Belt to the Six Nations in behalf of this province tho for want of being before acquainted therewith I have writ with Governor Denwiddie to M^r Delancey desiring him to have a Belt delivered as from us In Case he should think proper to send any Message to the Six Nations You will be kind enough to acquaint me at Scarroyada's Return with the Event of his Journey & you will I hope excuse the Brevity of this & attribute it to my being just about to depart for the Camp where I propose to tarry about a Month if nothing extraordinary & unexpected requires my Return to Annapolis.

I am &

P S I should be glad to know how matters are at Vanango.