

Instead of that I left a Letter for him with M^r Dinwiddie & have since had the Satisfaction to receive one from himself in which he is pleased to compliment me on the Care I had taken to put matters in forwardness & get provisions laid in against the Troop's Arrival who are daily expected. Governor Dinwiddie also informs me that he has sent an Express to the Northward with Dispatches from the General desiring Governor Shirly will meet him at my house to concert their plan of Operation. I shall be advised what time the General will appoint such an Interview & I propose to meet him in Virg^a & conduct him hither & hope by my Behaviour to give him perfect Satisfaction—I am extremely obliged to you for the Care & Affection you always have had & still continue to have for me. The General has not as yet communicated to me any Command that I am to have, nor is there any unless the Rangers consisting of 8 Companies of 53 Men each which my Commission as L^t Col^o will entitle me to, however, no Punctillio shall prevent my obeying any Orders he shall be pleased to signify if the least consistent with the Station that I now bear. It gives me no small concern to find that out of three or four Letters sent you only one has come to hand & you may assure yourself that I will never give Occasion for more Complaints on that head. I have taken an Opportunity of assuring M^r Brown of my Intentions to serve him as soon as it be put in my power by some better Ecclesiastical preferment becoming vacant that will suit him for he will not exchange his present preferment for many that may become vacant. M^r Razer I have seen & treated him kindly he has taken up his Residence in Pensilvania but I will mention him to Gov^r Morris in my first Letter & shall be glad to shew him all the Civility in my power. I acquainted M^r Thomas with the Contents of your Letter & he was well satisfied when I assured him that tho I could not as his Father also thinks propose him to my Lord as a Councillor yet I would embrace the first Occasion of serving him, but I must note to you that I have disposed of only one place since my Arrival the Value of that about £50 St^r p Ann. & the numerous Recommendations from his Ldp & M^r Calvert will I am apprehensive leave but few Places to my Disposal.

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[Sharpe to Calvert.]

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Sir

Your Favour of the 10th Dec^r together wth his Ldp's Instructions I had the Satisfaction to receive a week since by Capt