

proclamation to be on their Guard & unite for their mutual  
Defence &c

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

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June 10<sup>th</sup> 1755 transmitted by Capt Smith—

Sir

In my Letter dated the 22<sup>d</sup> of May of which I now transmit a Duplicate I acknowledged the Receipt of your favour by M<sup>r</sup> Thornton dated the 15<sup>th</sup> of Feb<sup>y</sup> the Reason why he is not inducted to any Living in Obedience to his Ldps Instructions you will be pleased to see in a Copy of part of a Letter transmitted long since to which I request the favour of an Answer. I have had the pleasure also to receive yours of the 17<sup>th</sup> of March by M<sup>r</sup> Gallaway, you therein intimate the Miscarriage of a Letter of mine transmitted by Capt Coolidge's Ship which I am much surprized at because it was delivered to the Care of M<sup>r</sup> Chamier who went passenger & is esteemed a very punctual & careful person, it was dated the 19<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> & was writ to acquaint you what was doing here just at that time only, however I have herewith inclosed a Copy. Your Letter to Col. Lloyd I sent to him & as I presume he sent Letters of Advice by Capt Allen who sailed in Jan<sup>y</sup> I hope you are long e'er this satisfied as to the Money Matters You mention & I am glad to find there is so fair a prospect of our having the Salt Act carried next Session of Parliament & you may be assured I will not fail to let the Gent<sup>n</sup> of the Province know how much they are already endebted to his Ldp's & your Assiduity & Care with respect to that Affair. It gives me the greatest Satisfaction to learn that my Letters concerning the publick Transactions on this Continent are well received by the Ministry as well as his Ldp. I do not know that I let slip any Opportunity of sending Intelligence as soon as I have Grounds for beleiving it true, tho it is possible news may often be more speedily & frequently transmitted from Virg<sup>a</sup> & the Northern Colonies on Account of their frequent Intercourse with Europe but indeed I am apt to think that it is not unusual for people to write news hence as well as they do from London hither before they are assured they are not falsifying. I am much obliged to you for intimating to me what is transacting & expected at home & will now in my Turn send you a short Acco<sup>t</sup> of what is doing & may be expected to be executed here. The plan of Operations that was concerted at Belhaven I hope you will very shortly know however lest my last Letters should miscarry I have inclosed with Duplicates of them Copies also of the Minutes of Council & the plan there proposed to be pursued. I hear S<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Pepperell has not been