

Letter Bk. II. Inhabitants of this Province for Releif against Kennedy Ferrol of Frederickton who presuming on the favour you had shewn him by an Appointment to preside over the waggoners has biddin Defiance to his Creditors & any civil power to which they could recur for Redress. The Effects that should have been left to satisfy in part his just Debts he forceably carried off impressing a waggon for that purpose under pretence of its being for his Majestys Service. Such his Behaviour & extravagant Insolencies at his Departure upon the Assurance of finding a Protection by following the Camp obliges me to request you not to countenance him in such proceedings, for that I am under a necessity of issuing a warrant to all the civil Officers in this Gov^t to seize him wherever he shall be found & force him to make his appearance in one of the Judicial Courts

[Sharpe to Halifax.]

June 11. 1755.

My Ld

I assume the honour of acknowledging the Receipt of your Ldp's Lett^r dated in Nov. last which I had the pleasure & satisfaction to receive by General Braddock I flatter myself that he is convinced I have let slip no opportunity of paying due Respect to himself since his arrival in America & I hope your Ldp will not hesitate to beleive that I have left no stone unturned to enable him to succeed in the important Service to which His Majesty out of his paternal Care for these Colonies has appointed him; but My Lord I am exceedingly sorry at
 p. 89 being obliged to acquaint you that my Endeavours to obtain such Supplies as the present State of Affairs requires & as are requisite to render effectual the great purposes in hand have hitherto wanted a happy Effect, & that the several Motives of Duty & Gratitude to his Majesty & their Mother Country so justly due, or a proper Regard for their own preservation which I have frequently urged to them in hopes of encouraging & animating them thereby to exert themselves at this important Juncture have hitherto failed of their desired Effect. I shall again meet the Assembly of this Province the 23^d Inst. & endeavour to persuade them to contribute at least to the Support of the Garrison that the General shall think proper to leave at Fort Du Quesne to prevent future Incroachments & Usurpations; for declining this I think they cannot pretend to offer an Excuse tho the Experience I have already had forbids me to indulge very sanguine Expectations of their Compliance even so far; Whatever be my Success therein I hope your Lordship will think nothing shall be wanting on my part & that I will most chearfully embrace every Opportunity of