

Letter Bk. II. should be depopulated, unless the Legislature of G Britain shall think proper to interfere & compel us to take proper measures for our own preservation. I am about to set off for Frederick to try what can be done with the Militia; while I am there I hope I shall be able to get that Man apprehended in which case I shall send him to Fort Cumberland with a Letter to Coll Innes to forward him to you by the first Opportunity—Yours of the 22^d ult was the last Lett^r that has been rec^d from the Camp, we shall begin to be in daily Expectation of receiving better news from you than we can write hence which you may be assured will much rejoice

S^r &c

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[Sharpe to Capt. Dagworthy.]

July 9th

Sir

I am sorry to acquaint you that the Resolutions of the Assembly which was prorogued yesterday has put it out of my power to support your Company any longer or to make you any farther Remittances, the last Sum that was sent by M^r Hopkins I advanced on the publick Credit not imagining that I should find so great Difficulty in getting myself reimbursed or in procuring farther Supplies, but as I find myself disappointed in any hopes I might have entertained from the Assembly's meeting I have writ to acquaint the General therewith & to desire him to give you such Orders as he shall think proper for your own Conduct or for the Disposal of your Company, which you will I doubt not readily obey, Any Services in my power I shall always readily do yourself & the Gentⁿ under your Command & on all Occasions shew myself your Friend & wellwisher

[Sharpe to Dinwiddie.]

July 10—

S^r

Y^{rs} dated the 5th Inst. with several Letters which shall be dispatched to the Northward I have received, in answer thereto I must with concern acquaint you that I was obliged to prorogue our Assembly yesterday who after more than a fortnights Consideration came to a Resolution that they would grant no Supplies in compliance with General Braddocks Solicitation, nor any money to be expended for the Defence & Protection of our Frontiers tho we were advised that 26 of our Back Inhabitants have been killed & carried away Prisoners since the 22^d of June. So peremptory was their Refusal that I can-

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