

Indians of the Six Nations. I assure your Excellency my own Conduct wth regard to our Indians has always been such that I never hindered them from travelling to any part of the Continent; the truth of which they have all done me the justice to acknowledge nor did I ever hear of their being sent for by the Six Nations until the Receipt of Y^r Excellency's Lett^r

I am

May it please y^r Excell^{cy}
Y^r most dutifull & most obed^t humb. serv^t
Henry Hooper.

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[Sharpe to Dinwiddie.]

3^d of March 1756

S^r

Our Lower House of Assembly have I find after sitting Eleven Days passed a Vote for granting £40000 for his Majestys Service & the better Defence of our Frontiers They yesterday desired me to communicate to them any Intelligence I may have received concerning the Southern Indians, what Assistance we might reasonably expect from the Cherokee & Catawba Nations & how this Province may best contribute jointly with the neighbouring Govern^{ts} to secure the Friendship & Alliance of these People. I should be obliged to you for writing to me your Sentiments on that Subject as well as for enabling me to send a particular Answer to the first part of the inclosed Address. I do not know who has given them the Intimation they speak of but as we shall be much in want of Arms should they raise any considerable Number of Men I p. 176 hope they have not been misinformed & shall be glad to hear that you have wherewith to supply us. I do not learn that the Pensilvanians have granted any farther Supplies; but S^r Cha^s Hardy tells me the Assembly of N York have voted 1000 Men for the Service of the ensuing Summer he also informs me that the Indians from Onondaga have sent notice that the French intended & were preparing to attack Oswego this winter; the Indians themselves seem to be much alarmed, but I hope that their Fears are groundless, or that if the French were really in motion on the Lakes General Shirley has taken such measures as must render their Enterprize abortive—

Original.

[Morris to Sharpe.]

Philadelphia 4 March 1756.

Sir

I have your Favour of the 14th Feb^{ry} I have not heard from Col^l Johnson, but expect an Account of the Indian