

Letter Bk. I. unavoidable. General Shirley it is said will shortly proceed to Oswego with the four Regiments, & we are told that the Eastern Colonies will furnish 8000 or 9000 Men for another Expedition towards Crown Point, of these Provincials Col^o Winsloe of Massachusett's Bay is to have the Chief & Sr W^m Johnson the second Command. The Garland Man of War stationed in Virg^a has been on a Cruize & brought in three Prizes, one of which is said to be of considerable Value—

At the Bottom of a Duplicate of the foregoing Lett^r was writ the follow^g

April the 17th 1756.

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A Gentleman calling on me to know if I had any Commands to Biddeford for which place he is departing I embrace the Opportunity to inform you that the preceeding Lett^r describes to you our present Situation the End of last Week the Lower House sent to the Upper the Supply Bill to which many Objections have been made & sent down with a Message, I beleive the Objections cannot be overcome & am afraid I must entirely despair of seeing any Troops raised in this Province even for our own Protection I am &c—

Original.

[Shirley to Sharpe.]

Boston March 29. 1756.

Sir.

Upon second thoughts, I would not give your Honour the trouble of having my answer to the address of the Assembly of Pensilvania printed in your Province, and desire it may not be done.

My other letter was gone to the post, w^{ch} is the reason of my troubling your Honour with this

I am

Sir

Your most faithfull

Humble Servant

W Shirley.

Hon^{ble} Horatio Sharpe
Esq^r

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[Sharpe to Dinwiddie.]

Annapolis March 30th 1756.

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I send this to acquaint you with an unhappy Affair that I am told has lately happened at the Mouth of Conegocheige