

A few days ago some Parties of Indians appeared in the two neighbouring Colonies & cut off several of the Inhabitants & indeed they have also done some Mischief lately on our Frontiers tho not with impunity as y^r Ldp will see by the inclosed Gazette I have not for some time received any Lett^{rs} from the Northw^d but by what I can learn it is not expected that our Troops will offend the Enemy much this Summer in that Quarter unless Ld Loudon should come over very shortly with a much larger Body of Men than General Abercrombie is lately arrived with

Letter Bk. I.

I am &c

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

Fort Fred^k the 13th July 1756. transmitted by Capt Coolidge.S^r

I am now to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter of the 9th of March together with His Ldp's Instructions of the same Date, & have in Obedience to His Ldp's Requisition & your Commands sent peremptory Orders to the Agent, Keepers of the Rent-Rolls & His Ldp's other Officers to compleat such Rentall Books as you require & to satisfy His Ldp that I have done so I have inclosed him a Copy of my Instructions to those Officers which in fact are much the same as I had before given them agreeable to the Instructions which I have several times received. It has I assure you given me inexpressible Concern that His Ldp should have reason to repeat his Instructions on that Subject & I wish it had been as much in my Power as in my Inclination to have given His Ldp Satisfaction therein long since. Colo Lloyd has for his part been always full of Professions & Promises that no one should have reason to complain of any Neglect in him, but by Your Account I think He seems as culpable as any one. I cannot help thinking his Desire to have the Recommendation to all Offices which in virtue of his Post he must have Inspection into a little extraordinary, I do not well understand what is meant by "Offices which he must have Inspection into," if he would have the Keepers of the Rent Roll appointed by himself surely he cannot desire more than to be one of them himself & to have nominated the other, but if he means all the Officers that he must at times be necessarily concerned with he must then have the Recommendation or Appointment to every Place in the Government for there is not one but as Agent he must frequently have Business with. for my own Part I can assure you that if such a Proceeding be agreeable to His Ldp I would most readily resign to him the Nomination of any Officers

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