

will be relieved. These Detachments from the Militia are to Lib^{er} J. R. & U. S.
patroll between the North Mountain and Conegocheige, the Comandant of ffort ffredrick will order two Guides or persons who are acquainted with that part of the Country, to join each of them, and in case it should by him and the Colonel of ffredrick County be thought necessary for the Detachments from the Militia to act in Conjunction, they are to put themselves under the Command of Colonel Thomas Prather who lives near Conegocheige. You will give the Captain whom you shall order from your County a Copy of these Instructions, and direct him to keep a Iournal of his proceedings while on Duty to be returned me for the Assembly's perusal; you may also give him any other additional Instructions that you think necessary for his better Guidance and Direction.

H: Sharpe

Given at Annapolis
30th of August 1756.

[Sharpe to Dinwiddie.]

Letter Bk.III

Augst 30th 1756—

S^r

The inclosed I have just received by Express, the Lett^r from Ld Loudoun will advise you of the Loss of Oswego & of the Vessels we had on Ontario Lake. That from the Admiralty Office I presume contains Instructions to you for granting Letters of Reprizal, if it does I shall be much obliged to you for a Copy of them & of such a Commission as you would grant by virtue thereof. As no such Letter or Instructions are sent me, should Applications be made to me for Letters of Marque & Reprizal what would you advise me to do on such an Occasion. Our Assembly meets the first Monday in October I apprehend you will convene yours also, on the Receipt of Lord Loudon's Lett^r Be pleased to let me know what Day you appoint for them & what you expect they will do in Consequence of His Ldp's Lett^r—

[Sharpe to Denny.]

Letter Bk.III

August 30th 1756—

S^r

Your Letters dated the 23^d & 26th Inst. I am just favoured with & heartily congratulate you on your Appointment to the Gov^t of Pens^a & Your Arrival in that Province, most sincerely wishing you an easy & happy Administration; Your Opinion