

restored all the Prisoners that they have taken & carried from these Colonies. They seemed at length inclined to comply with these Requisitions but did not come to a final Resolution thereon & Gov^r Denny seems to think that the most they will be brought to is to remain neuter. With the Papers already mentioned you will also receive Col^o Tasker's Bond for the due Execution of his Office & regular Payment to you as his Superiour. Letter Bk. I.
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Doctor Steuart has not been able to make up his Acco^t with the Sheriffs who collect the Fees therefore your Request with respect to him cannot be yet complied with. Lord Loudoun I find has ordered most of the Troops into Winter Quarters. He intends to send Seven Companies of the Royal Americans to this Province but as his principal Design in so doing is to promote more effectually the Recruiting Service I apprehend the Companies at their Arrival will be very small. We have not yet been able to raise half the Number that the Assembly voted for that Regiment, & Capt Beall I am afraid will not be able to compleat his Company this winter such is the Scarcety of Men inclined to enter into the Service but I hope the Season will prevent the Enemy's making any Incursions or doing any more mischief on our Frontiers for these two or three months. with the greatest Reg^d I am y^r m^t obt Serv^t

[Calvert to Sharpe.]

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Suppose Speaking of M^r Stephen Boardly I never had any Personal Difference wth the Gentleman you are so kind as to recomēd to my regard, tho' it has happned when we were Members together of Assembly that some little misunderstanding were occasioned by a Contrariety of Opinion in Pollitical Matters. and I dare Say is Easily Excused by one of his Good Sense from the Consideration of his having been formerly mistaken in his Opposition to those Measures w^{ch} I defended and Espetially Since his Mistake has been so Easily forgiven that an Acknowledgment of it has been rewarded by an Appointment to which a Series of Seven or Eight years. faithfull Service Could only have produced Very Slight and Questionable pretentions.

To all which, I make no doubt to his Presentment; however, it is Certain there are many Propositions in Theory that differ when put into Practice for had the Charge of his Objections a been an unforgiven Rule against his father, he had never been Commissary General; besides Transgression is to be forgiven on Repentance. I knew not Ab^t Boardly's faults on his Promotion,