

Letter Bk. I. thing to trouble your Ldp with at present but a Request that your Ldp will be pleased to accept of a Pipe of Madeira Wine herewith sent from your Ldps mo^t obliged & mo^t devoted Servant.

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

2^d of Sept^r 1754. transmitted by Capt. Creagh.

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Herewith you will be pleased to receive Duplicates of all the Laws which were passed in the two Sessions of Assembly that were held at Annapolis in Feb^y & May last & I have also by this same Conveyance transmitted Copies of all the Laws being twelve in number which were enacted in the last Session at Annapolis concluded the 25th of July as every one of them are only reviving & continuing Acts except that for his Majestys Service of which I before transmitted a Copy with some Observations in a Letter thereon; there does not seem to be any farther room for noticing or remarking upon those that are now inclosed. The short time that has interv^{en}ed since I writ last, has not afforded new matter for another Lett^r but lest there should seem to be any Contrariety between a Clause in my last & a Paragraph in my Lett^r of Feb^y I beg leave to observe that when I intimated in that first Lett^r that the Sum of Money ordered to be sunk by the Law concerning Ordinaries passed in 1746 might in a year or two be expected to be discharged by the said Law, I had received such information from the Gentⁿ whom I consulted thereon, but in reality found by the Scrutiny & Examination which the Lower House have since made & Submitted to me, that the Gentⁿ had been out three or four years in their Calculation. I have not yet heard any thing of M^r Copp mentioned in His Ldps Instructions of January, nor of the Rev^d M^r Rosse of whom you spake in your favour of April the 17th Affairs with respect to the Disturbances on the back of these Provinces are in the same Situation they were in at the time of my last writing, the French are strengthening themselves & building several Forts on Monongahela & Ohio, & we learn they have begun one on Green Brier River which is actually within Augusta County in Virginia & is pretty well inhabited by English Settlers. The French it seems claim to the very Fountain Heads of Monongahela, Youghyoghgyina & all the Streams flowing into Ohio or Mississippi, so that their Pretensions extend to a great number of Acres within this Province which I am afraid no Person will be prevailed on to take up till the French be obliged to relinquish the Forts they have already built on those Rivers. Pensilvania will lose a vast quantity of Land if their