

Letter Bk. III Inst. The men that are in Garrison at Fort Cumberland being in number about 300 have continued to serve without Pay since the 8 of Oct' as well as those that are at Fort Frederick but as it could not be expected that their Officers would be able to keep them together much longer I lately wrote to the Commander in Chief as well as to Col° Stanwix & desired that some other Troops might be ordered to Fort Cumberland which I presume will be done as soon as the Roads become practicable. I thought it incumbent on me to make such Application lest Accidents should happen but I still hope that when I communicate to the Assembly the Contents of Your last Letters the Consideration of what our most gracious Sovereign & the Parliament of Great Britain have already done for us together with the certain prospect of an active Campaign & the hopes of some Compensation for what they may expend will induce them to contribute towards the Execution of the plan that Brigadier Forbes is directed to pursue—

[Sharpe to the Board of Trade.]

16th of March 1758

R^t Hon^{ble}

The Owners & Clerks of the Iron Works within this Province having at length enabled me to send Your Lordships a particular answer to your Letter dated the 9th of June last as Your Ldps will see by the inclosed Return I embrace the first opportunity of transmitting it and am R^t Hon^{ble} &c—

Original.

[Denny to Sharpe.]

Philadelphia 17th March 1758.

Sir,

I have just now received the inclosed Letter's from General Abercromby, which are dispatched by this Express with all possible Expedition. Excuse my not answering your last favour, because it wou'd detain the Messenger.

I have the Honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant

William Denny

List of Letters inclosed
One to Governor Sharp
One to Lieut: Col: Haldiman
One to Cap' Gates.
One to Lieut. Gullin
Two to President Blair which you
will please to forward by Express.