

[Forbes to Sharpe.]

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Philad: June 20<sup>th</sup> [1758]

Sir,

I Give you the trouble of this very short Letter, to Acknowledge your Favors, and the Sense I have of your Zeal for His Majesty's Service.

The Enclosed Letter from M<sup>r</sup> Kilby, our Contractor for provisions, will show you I have taken the first opportunity of making D<sup>r</sup> Ross easy as to what he has furnished, and I hope very soon to Enable you to make those Officers & Troops that were at F. Cumberland Easy as to the past, and I do myself Engage for the present pay, while they remain in the King's Service, during this Campaign.

I shall order Tents, Canteens &c. for them, and send them up as soon as possible.

Colonel Bouquet & Sir John S<sup>t</sup> Clair Writes me of the Road you propose from Fort Frederick to Cumberland; If it is thought the most Eligible, you will be very obliging in giving a look to it, and your Directions to those Employed to make it. Any Advances of money for the present to Clear the by past pay or Expence of the Maryland Troops, must by no means diminish, or Interfere with our Claim for the same from the Province.

I Have been much out of Order, but am much

Y<sup>r</sup> most Ob<sup>t</sup> & most  
Hum<sup>ble</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
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His Excellency Gov<sup>r</sup> Sharp.

[St. Clair to Sharpe.]

Original.

Carlisle the 22<sup>d</sup> June 1758

Dear Governor

I am looking out with great Impatience for your Report of the New Road, Last night I received a Letter from Old Cresop, in which he tells me that he had seen Lieu<sup>t</sup> Shelby and that a good road may be made in a fortnight upon this I have taken my measures to have a good many Troops at hand at Fort Loudon to assist in that work if necessary, and if possible I will join you so soon as I see General Forbes at this Place. I send you the Generals Last Letter to me. Bouquet is at the first crossing of the Juniato I have ordered two hundred of the North Carolina Provincials who have landed at Alexandria to march through your Province to Fort Frederick, I have sent a Commissary to them to take Care of 'em.

I hope what General Forbes writes about Doctor Ross will