I have no miners Tools here but shall order you two sets from Fort Loudon, and as soon as my head Miner comes up he shall be forwarded to you. I have wrote Col^o Bouquet who is at Rays Town to abridge his work, as Fort Cumberland will serve for the grand Deposite, and to cut his road down to it, and to desire Col^o Washington to cut back in order to meet you for which reason I hope Captⁿ Shelby has blazed every part of the Road.

I shall order Major Wells to obey your Command and the inclosed Letter to Captain Iocelyn is to the same effect. I have a deal of trouble about Waggons which I am in hopes of getting over. The last accots from Winango say that no provisions has come up this year from Niagra which has

alarmed all the neighbourhood.

I am with the greatest respect D' Sir

Your most obedient & most hum¹ Serv¹ John S¹ Clair

To Governor Sharpe.

Letter Bk. III

[Sharpe to St. Clair.]

Fort Frederick the 28th of Iune. 1758-

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Your Letter of Yesterday's Date I have just received & shall agreeable to Your Desire order Capt Shelby & a Person whom he has desired me to employ as an Assistant to blaze the Road mentioned in the Report which he dld me the 25th Having a Company of Militia here as a Garrison I ordered Capt Alex Beall with our Troops on Monday last to throw a Bridge over Licking Creek & by a Report made me this Day I expect all the Piers of it will be finished to morrow Evening, the next Day Capt Joceline with 30 men of the Royal Americans will relieve Capt Beall & I suppose the Bridge will be finished next Saturday. After that Capt Joceline will proceed to open a Road between this Place & the Foot of Sidling Hill. I am told that the Waters of Potowmack are too low for Battoes to go up loaded & there are but 13 Canoes in the River neither is it possible to get any made at this time. These Canoes being at the mouth of Conegochiegh I shall send off a Party of Militia for them early in the morning & as soon as they come to this Place they shall be loaded with about half the Stores that were brought hither yesterday from Carlyle & will be sent to the old Town which is as far as they will be able to go & it will take them 8 Days