

lency desired me to procure you, he has been to several Parts of the Province but could collect no more than 489 the Cost of which delivered at Fort Loudoun is as you will see by the inclosed Account (which in my opinion is a reasonable one) £326.16.6 Maryland Currency. At the Bottom of the Account I have made a Charge for an Express that I was obliged to send to M^r Cary, for the Express that I sent to Winchester the 10th of Augst with your Packett & for him that I sent to F. Loudoun with my Letter of the 17th of that month £3.16.6. I have told M^r Cary that Your Excellency will either pay him the whole at F Loudoun or give him an Order on M^r Wolstenholme at Annapolis. I expect that he will be able to return hither before I sett off for Fort Cumberland which I intend to do next Wednesday Morning or on Thursday at farthest.

[Sharpe to Forbes.]

F F the 4th of Sept^r 1758.

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When I last wrote to your Excellency I apprehended that if you drew a Warrant on the Paymaster in favour of M^r Howell for these Sums viz^t £850 st^s £360.8.6 st^s & £510. Currency he would have been reimbursed all the Money that he had paid to D^r Ross over & above the Sum of £1500 which he was impowered to pay by M^r Kilby, but I now perceive by Your Letter of Yesterdays Date which I am just favoured with that I was mistaken because I went upon a Supposition that the Exchange at Phila^a was at 60 p C^t when it is in fact at 55 or thereabouts as appears by the Sterling Sum which M^r Howell paid D^r Ross in Discharge of my order for £2976:15 Currency & I presume M^r Barrow went upon the same Supposition when he told M^r Howell that the Sum mentioned in your Excellency's Warrant was rather more than the Difference betwixt what M^r Howell had paid M^r Ross & the £1500 st^s which M^r Kilby was to advance when the Sum mentioned in that Warrant was really short of such Difference. Your Excellency will see by the inclosed Extract from D^r Ross's Letter to me that M^r Howell is not satisfied with having his Name mentioned in the Warrant, if this or any other Objection that might be made to your last Warrant should make it necessary to give another I should be glad you would draw it in M^r Ross's favour for such Sum as you think proper that he might have no more to do than to give a proper Receipt thereupon, to repay M^r Howell if that is what M^r Howell insists on & to return home for I am satisfied that in the present Situation of the Doctors Affairs at home it