

your Excellency's pardon for the Freedom I take of send^g a
Letter to Y^r Care

I am with Respect
Your Excellency's most
humble Serv^t
Daniel Clark.

besides the Charges delivered you in my former Letter there was a bag of Corn to feed my Horses which was supposed to belong to M^r Ramsey as well as a Hogshead of Apple or Peach brandy delivered out to the men and a Cask of Shrub quantity about Six or Seven Gallons which I took for the use of Myself & Officers as M^r Ramsey nor any other person on his behalf was present must leave it to you to settle with him in the best manner you can I must beg of you to take care of the Letter I sent having mislaid the Accounts therein mentioned. As you are settling with the Gen^l regard must be had to the Victualing of the Militia from Fort Frederick to Fort Cumberland and thence to their Habitations

The Charges of Waggonage &c should
be mentioned

Original.

[Ross to Sharpe.]

Annapolis Nov^r 3^d 1758.

Sir

From the Copy you have been pleased to favour me with of General Forbes letter to you from Shippensburgh of the 3^d of Sept^r relating to that unlucky affair at Philadelphia, I see Clearly that an attempt is made to impose on the General not only by exaggerating and misrepresenting things that have some foundation in truth, but also in asserting what never existed; for that reason I hope you will permit me to lay before you a full state of the Transaction betwixt M^r Howell and me, in which I shall endeavour to confine myself to such facts as do not alone depend on that Gentlemans Veracity nor mine, but on Original papers to which I shall refer, and on what Secretary Peters, M^r Chew, the kings attorney, and M^r Israel Pemberton know of the affair, if any thing is mentioned of what passed betwixt M^r Howel and me by ourselves, it will have such a Connection with what came within the knowledge of those Gentlemen, that it will not be difficult to discover the truth, and as I should be extremely sorry that General Forbes should Continue the same opinion of me, that he must have when he wrote to your Excellency on the 3^d of Sep^t to me on the 28 Aug^t and to M^r Howell on the 4 of Sep^t I flatter myself that if on the perusal of the papers I shall