

Letter Bk. IV there was not the least Probability of their Doing any Business I have by Advice of the Council just now prorogued the Assembly to the middle of Iuly, when unless Something very extraordinary happens I shall farther prorogue them till next Winter. I presume you have heard before now that another Attempt is to be made this Summer on Ticonderoga by 10 Battalions of Regular Troops & about 10000 Provincials from the Northern Colonies whom General Amherst will command, Three of the Regiments now on this Continent besides them that were left in Nova Scotia & Cape Breton are it is said to embark & join General Wolfe, while Brigadier Stanwix with the first Battalion of the Royal American Regiment, 1500 men which the Virginians have agreed to furnish & the Provincials which the Pensilvanians shall keep up (for as yet it is a Doubt whether their Bill will be assented to) keeps Possession of the Ohio Country & compels the French to abandon all their little Forts at the Head of that River, & thereby make
 p. 27 the Western Indians more dependant than they have lately been on these Colonies for Necessaries. Ever since the Reduction of Fort Du Quesne our Frontier People have been very quiet & I flatter myself that if this Campaign proves a successful one all the People that had abandoned their Habitations in Frederick County will again return home. By one Capt Brooke that is about to sail from Dorchester County for London You'll receive a particular Answer to Your Letter & a more circumstantial Account of every Thing that has passed since I last wrote, to my Letters by him I therefore beg Leave to refer you & am with my Duty to His Ldp. D^r S^r &

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

18th April 1759. transm^d by Capt. Brooke

S^r

A Person who is just come over from Col^o Lloyds tells me that Capt Brooke whom I mentioned to you in the Letter I sent yesterday by the Packett has already loaded his Ship & will certainly sail next Sunday morning for which I am sorry because it really puts it out of my Power to give so full an Answer to some Parts of your Letter dated the 27th of Nov^r as I intended & particularly to that part of it where you mention Col^o Lloyds having complained of the Remissness of Mess^{rs} Rezin & Hedges late Farmers of Kent & Cecil Counties & agst M^r Milligan the present Sheriff & Farmer of Cecil not only for Remissness but also for insulting the Agent because he pressed him to do his Duty. At present I shall only say that if Mess^{rs} Hedges & Rezin (the last of whom was appointed in Consequence of Col^o Lloyds Appli-