

that quarter will perhaps appear very old to Your Ldp how-
ever I think it my Duty to transmit Your Ldp all the News of
Importance that comes to my knowledge & therefore have
inclosed the most material Articles from the last N York
Gazette the purport whereof I should rather have transcribed
into this Lett^r was I not apprehensive that my Packett which
must go by the Post would be thereby rendered more bulky
than I would choose to make it. I am &.

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[Sharpe to Calvert.]

13th of Iuly 1759.S^r

As I expect that a Packett will be dispatched from N York
for great Britain as soon as the Fate of Ticonderoga & Crown
Point is determined & as no Ship will probably sail from this
Province for Europe before the End of Sept^r I thought fit to
commit this to the Care of the Northern Post which will pass
thro this Place to morrow morning that His Ldp & you may
be advised as soon as possible of my having received his
Instructions & Letter dated the 17th & 30th of March as well
as the two Letters you were pleased to favour me with at the
same time & which came to hand last Night. You will readily
believe that I am extremely glad to have at length in my Pos-
session a Copy of the King's Attorney Gen^ls opinion upon the
Dispute that has for some time subsisted between our two
Houses of Assembly concerning the Reasonableness of their
Assessment Bill, Be pleased to assure His Ldp that I shall
communicate the same to the Gent^l of the Upper House the
first Opportunity & that whenever the Secretary of State or
His Majesty's General presses me to meet the Assembly
again I shall on that Occasion endeavour to make the best
Use of the opinion, which perhaps might have some Weight
& incline them to pursue different Measures. but if they
should be still averse to framing any other Supply Bill or at
least such a one as shall appear reasonable & just His Ldp
may depend that I will never swerve from my Duty to him nor
be induced by any Consideration whatever to give my Assent
to any Bill which I shall not at the time of my doing so be
confident that His Ldp will be well pleased with. As Your
Letters did not come to hand till last night & the Post is to
sett off for N York to morrow morning it will be impossible
for me to get & send you by this opportunity an explicit &
satisfactory Account of the Circumstances of Talbot Mannour
& of the several Parts or Parcels thereof but the Steward is to
attend me with his Rent Roll next Week when I have desired
Colo Lloyd to be also present & then such an Account thereof

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