

Interest an opportunity of persuading their People to join the French which a contrary Behaviour on the Side of the English would prevent. Liber J. R.
& U. S.

Sir it is my opinion if this Party goes away displeas'd, it will be the means of engaging us in a War with them which will draw on a War with the Creeks also, as they are intirely influenced by them, and the Consequence must be dreadful to the English Colonies in General. When on the other Hand should they go off in good Temper, I am of opinion that they will be able to bring over the Over Hills People, and Creeks to the side of the English, I was glad to see the good understanding between the Six Nations and these People, as appears by the speeches made by the Mohock Sachem to them and their answers, and they have agreed with the Six Nations to meet upon these Frontiers in the Spring in great numbers if they are now well treated in order to carry on the War against the French.

Sir I make Bold to recommend to you the sending home these People in good Temper as their future Conduct will be regulated by it, and by my Instructions I am ordered to call upon and M^r Croghan for such Rewards for these People as I shall think necessary: I am your Honors.

most obedient humble servant
Rich^d Smith.

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r
Governor of Maryland.

[Sharpe to Capt. Alex^r Beall.]

Letter Bk. III

6th of Iuly 1757.

Sir

This is to inform you that if you have not already you may soon expect to receive orders from Col^o Stanwix to send a Detachment of two Sergeants two Corporals & fifty six private Men from each of the New Companies to reinforce the Garrison of Fort Cumberland. if Colo Stanwix should not particularly specify what Officers he would have march with these Detachments You will order Capt Pearis, Lieut^t Mathews, Lieut^t Hanson & Ensign Beall on that Service.

I am S^r Y^r humb Ser^t H S.

[Sharpe to Wm. Sharpe.]

6th of Iuly. 1757.

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Having just received Advice of a Vessel's being about to sail from a distant part of the Province I embrace the Opportunity to acknowledge the Receipt of your Favour of the 26th