

did not intend to take him from the Indians or to restrain his Service to this Province nor was he thereby required to attend any New Duty. I understood that the Govern<sup>t</sup> of Virg<sup>a</sup> had employed several other Interpreters & as I thought too many could not be engaged I gave him a Company that was then raising to encourage him also to continue in the Service having been told that his Allowance from Virg<sup>a</sup> was scarcely sufficient to support him. I am very sorry to find that his Conduct has neither met with Yours nor Gover<sup>r</sup> Dinwiddie's Approbation however as an Interpreter will be much wanted at Fort Cumberland while the Cherokees continue to go that way to war he might be of Service there & as Colo Stanwix has taken him & the Rest of our Officers under his own immediate Command I have desired him to order Capt Pearis thither. I suppose the Belt that Wahachee enquired after was one that was given to Yatanou upon Wahachee's refusing to part with either of them that had been dld with my Message. I am told that that Young Warrior shews a great Affection for Pearis which makes the old Fellow jealous & an Enemy to him if this is the Case it is not improbable that Wahachee has falsified in what he says of his having told him that he had the Management of Indian Affairs, for my own part I cannot help entertaining a very bad opinion of that old Fellow & do not desire to hear of his Return to this Province, I have forbidden Pearis to make any Promise to him or any other of the Cherokees in my name or to transact any Business whatever with them on behalf of this Province but if they shall at any time come to Fort Frederick they will be furnished with provisions as usual & if they should bring in any Scalps & deliver them up while our Act of Assembly continues in force the Agents will not refuse to pay the præmium tho if you choose to give such Directions the Agents will purchase Goods therewith & deliver them in your name or with any Speech that you shall desire them to make on such occasion. I am &c.

Letter Bk. III

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

30<sup>th</sup> July 1757 & transmitted by Capt Coolidge.

Sir

Herewith you will receive by Cap<sup>t</sup> Coolidge the Rent Roll of Ann Arundel County made out as conformable to your Specimen as possible, there may be still a few Articles that are not sufficiently clear or regularly accounted for which is owing to the want of some Record Books that have been long since altogether or in part destroyed or to some other Cause of equal weight. All that I can say is that I have used my

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