Mr Leeds the present Clerk of Talbot County who is one of Letter Bk.IV our Commissioners & has merited well of both His Ldp & me that I would ask your Consent for him to resign his Clerkship in favour of his Son in Law Mr John Bozman who is a very deserving Man, I hope therefore you will comply with Mr Leeds's Desire & give him a Letter to that purport to Mr Dulany which might be presented as soon as Mr Leeds may think proper.

## [Gage to Sharpe.]

Original.

New York May 12th 1765

Sir.

As I shall soon find it necessary to withdraw the Troops which are now in Garrison in Fort Cumberland in your Province; I think it proper to acquaint you of it; that you may give such Directions concerning the Fort, or any stores which there may be belonging to your Province as you shall judge necessary.

His Majesty having been pleased to appoint Colonel Bouquet to the Rank of Brigadier General, and to the Command of the Troops in the Floridas; Lieutenant Colonel Reid will take the Command on the side of Pittsburg, who will have Directions to correspond with you, and to give you timely notice of every thing of moment, which shall be proper for your Information.

I have the honor to be with great Regard Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant Thos Gage

[Gage to Sharpe.]

Original.

New York June 2d 1765

Sir

I have the pleasure to acquaint you that Sir William Johnson has finished his Congress held on the Mohawk River with the Delawares, Senecas &ca in a very satisfactory manner, and he says, much beyond his Expectations. I have also to inform you, that the Conferences at Fort Pitt have ended happily, and that the Shawnese have fulfill'd their Engagements with the greatest fidelity.

The Indians in general have appeared so well disposed, that there is great reason to expect the Country will enjoy a series of peace and tranquility, unless it is interrupted by the riotous and lawless proceedings of the people on the frontiers of Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. I have the honor to