Letter Bk. IV up another Line for the Distance of 26 Miles when discovering by an Offsett made from the 25 Mile Post in the Line they had before run that in the Distance of five Miles the Line they were running had deflected or deviated Eastward (if the other Line is straight) more than ten feet they broke up & indeed to have continued the Line after such a Discovery would probably have answered no other End than to enhance the Expence since it is likely that the farther the Line had been extended the more it would have deviated till perhaps it may have intersected the Line that was last run up to the Radius. That His Ldp & you may see how the Surveyors proceeded I shall inclose a Copy of their Minutes continued on from those which I have already transmitted, & as the Surveyors themselves now doubt whether it is possible to run a Line for many Miles truly straight at least with such Instruments as they have hitherto tried perhaps the Proprietors of Penns^a as well as His Ldp may be of opinion that it will be better to establish as a Boundary the Line already run up the Peninsula tho it is not the Tangent required than at a vast Expence to make farther Experiments & Attempts to describe such a Tangent Line. Having in my Letter of the 25th Septr communicated to you at large my Sentiments with regard to this Business which you will be pleased to lay before His Ldp & nothing worthy Notice having since occurred here I shall only add that I am with great Regard &c-

Letter Bk.III

[Sharpe to Johnson.]

To Sir William Johnson. Annapolis the 25th of Nov^r 1762 Sir

Governor Hamilton having lately sent me an Extract of a Speech that was made to him by the Six Nations at the Lancaster Treaty last Summer by which I observe they desire one Daniel Cresap of this Province may be ordered to keep a Store House on Potowmack near the Road their Warriors pass on their Expeditions against the Southern Indians I take the Liberty to send you a Copy of the Extract & to desire Your opinion of their Intention in making such Application; for if they ask no more than that Dan Cresap may be permitted to trade with & sell their parties as they shall pass & repass such Articles as they may want he is at liberty to do so without any special Lycence from me there being no Law to restrain such Trade but if what they want is that the abovementioned Person may be impowered to supply their Parties gratis or at the Expence of the Province with such Goods as they may apply for I cannot take upon myself to give him Orders to that Effect & am much afraid that the Assembly,