

Lib. J. R.
& U. S. SrWilliamsburgh March 26th 1758..

After I had sent away my Letter to the Post Office, I recollected the inclosed Complaint against Captain Pearis which, as he is an Officer in your Governm^t the Council advised the sending it to your Excellency, not doubting you will take a proper Notice of it as it may in its Consequences be very fatal; and they fear there may be too much Truth in it.

Major Smith is here waiting the Meeting of our Assembly on Thursday next to lay his Scheme of destroying our Enemies the Shawnese, and bringing several Nations of Indians to our Interest. he thinks he can easily raise a thousand Voluntiers to follow him, if our Assembly will encourage it, and that it would be no difficult Matter to destroy Fort du Quesne. Captain Bossomworth is likewise here in his Way to the Cherokees to assist Col: Byrd in bringing in a large Body of them being sent by Lord Loudoun.

I am with great Respect your Excellency's most hble &
most obed^t Servant.

John Blair.

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On Sunday the 19th in the Afternoon the three Warriors Chesiatorone Curmuero, to kesky, Ow, & Kila Unaka desired to hold Council with the Commanding Officer and the other Gentlemen at Fort Frederick, and after the Gentlemen were met.

Chesiatcrona said Kela Unaka who had come from Fort Cumberland had informed him that Captain Pearris had desired him to go down to the Governor and he said if they did not they would not receive any Presents, that Letters had come to Fort Cumberland from M^r Atkins directing that they should receive nothing but Trifles, and Captain Pearris asked him if Smith the Interpreter had not a red laced Jacket, Kila Unaka said yes; then Captain Pearris said M^r Atkins gave it to him to tell Lies for him, and that Captain Pearris said you saw what Presents I got for War-hatchatea, but now you get Nothing, you have no Body to take Care of you, are the Shirts you have on fit for Warriors, and have you Leggings? that they desired to go down and see the Governor, and desired to know what the Commanding Officer had to say about their going.

Lieu^t Shelby was present, and told the Company that he imagined that what the Indians said was false, for that