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the Motion of the Enemy if any; they not readily complying with my Directions, I enquired into their Reasons for so doing, and was made to understand that from what Captain Pearris had informed them they were not under any Certainty of being recompenced for their Services, from this it is too clear Pearris's Insinuations hath biassed the good Intentions of those Indians amongst us, to our Service, and make no Doubt if he gets Access to this Body of Indians we daily expect to our Assistance, but the Consequences will more affectingly be seen, which certainly will be the Case if Pearris is continued at his present Station at Fort Cumberland by which there is the greatest Probability of our Indians passing in their Way out.

I should have address'd the above to Governor Sharpe it being one of his Officers but thought it consistent with my Duty to acquaint you of such Practices, and at the same Time being well assured, provided it was thought proper by the Gentlemen who are at the Helm of Affairs for this Colony to apply to Governor Sharpe in Order to have them redressed, that from them it would carry its proper Weight. I shall conclude with doing myself the Honour to subscribe, your most obedient humble Servant

Tho^s Bullitt.

Fort Loudon March 2^d 1758:

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r and the honourable Gentlemen of the Council.

The humble Petition of Mary Ann March, most humbly sheweth.

After the Separation between my Husband and me, I sued according to Law for a Maintenance, the Court of Chancery was pleased to order me to return to my Husband, in Obedience to the honourable Court I did; he immediately answered that he never would cohabit help or maintain me and as I am advanced in years and scarce any other Ways or Means to support me but by the Tuition of Children, nay, that even I am deprived of. The County will not allow me any Thing, because my Husband is living, therefore I most humbly pray your Honours will take it into your wise Considerations to enable me to get a Living, and in Duty bound while Life remains,

shall pray Mary Ann March.