

Lib. J. R. one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State by his
& U. S. Letter of the Twenty Seventh of November last, that I should
cause His Majesty's Proclamation declaring a Cessation of
Arms, as well by Sea as Land, between His Majesty, the
Most Christian King, and the Catholic King, a Copy of which
Proclamation is hereunto annexed, to be Published in all the
proper places under my Government.

I Have therefore thought fit, by and with the advice of his
Lordship's Council of State, to Publish this my Proclamation,
Strictly charging and requiring the Several Sheriffs of the
respective Counties of this Province, at the most Publick
Places in their said Counties, His Majesty's said Proclama-
tion, immediately to Publish and Proclaim, that all his Maj-
esty's Subjects within this Province, may pay due obedience
to, and strictly observe, the same; and I do hereby command
the said Sheriffs, that they fail not so to do, as they will
answer the contrary at their Peril,

Given at the City of Annapolis, this Eleventh Day of Feb-
ruary in the Twelfth year of His Lordship's Dominion, and
in the Third year of His Majesty's Reign. Annoq Domini
1763.

Signed per Order, John Ross Clk Coun^e

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on 28th March
1763.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor.

Benjamin Tasker Stephen Bordley John Ridout Esquires

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the
following Letter to him from Sir William Johnson

Johnson Hall January the 4th 1763.

Sir

Your favour of the 25th of November, I did not receive untill
about three days ago, but hope this will proceed with greater
Expedition. I am of Opinion that the Indians' Expectations in
requesting Daniel Cresap were that he should supply them
Gratis at the Expence of the Province, which they had been
too much encouraged to hope for from the treatment they had
been accustomed to by the French who found their interest in
so doing, as it weakened our Interest with the Six Nations,
and enabled them to carry on the War with vigour against
the Cherokees, which at the same time that it gratified their
inclination disabled them from affording us assistance.