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Opportunity of Addressing you. Be pleased also to inform me
whether or when you dispatch a vessel with this News to
England w^{ch} will oblige

To Lord Albemarle. June 22. 1755

My Ld.

About a Month since I had the pleasure to receive
by the hand of a stranger the Letter w^{ch} you did me
the honour to write the 11th of last July, by w^{ch} Accident I
have been so long deprived thereof I could not learn. I also
embrace this Opportunity of Acknowledging the Receipt of
your L^{ds} Favour including a Letter to Gen^l Braddock
to express my Thanks & Gratitude for the kind Mention you
were pleased to make of me therein. Your L^{dy} I flatter
myself will be readily persuaded; that neither Disposition
nor Endeavours were wanting on my Part to recommend myself
to the General, & to approve myself not entirely unworthy of
the Notice your L^{ds} had taken of me to him. I have
the Satisfaction to think he is not displeas'd at my Behaviour
or Conduct tho' I should have been exceedingly glad to have
assist'd in Person, & to have been better enabled than our
Assembly thought fit to contribute to the Success of the
Expedition in which he is engag'd. I have this Day
received a Letter from him dated the 17th Inst when he
was advanced about 25 Miles from Fort Cumberland & sometimes
called Mills Creek, westward, but perhaps before I acquaint
your L^{dy} what is now in Action I may be expected to give
a short Relation of w^{ch} has been already done or rather left
undone in consequence of His Majesty's honouring me with
the Commission that I acknowledged the Receipt of to me
your L^{dy} in Decem^r. When I was at that time at