

the Enemy's hands, & a Prisoner who is escaped thence reports
 that the 2^d Day after the Battle a great Number of the
 Indians departed from the Fort with a Design as he
 supposes by their Mot to give Gov^r Shirley a Meeting at
 Niagara. I think the General had with him 52 Carriages
 the Artillery & 10 Waggon Loads of Ammunition included,
 beside near 100 Beavers that had been driven up to him two
 Days before. As soon as he was brought back to Col^l Dunbar's
 Camp he gave Orders for the Destruction of all the Ammunition
 & Artillery that Dunbar had with him except two Col^ls &
 all the superfluous provision, in pursuance of these Orders near
 150 Waggon were burnt, the Powder Casks staved in a Spring
 of Cochons broke or buried & the Shells busted. The Provisions were
 scattered abroad on the Ground or the Barrels broke & thrown
 into the water. soon after this was executed the General
 dying was buried privately in the Wood, Col^l Dunbar im-
 mediately retreated to Fort Cumberland where he staid 9
 or 10 Days & then marched for Phila. there I suppose he will
 expect Letters & Instructions from Gov^r Shirley how to dispo-
 se of himself. till he can receive ^{some real} farther Directions from home
 for his Conduct. Upon the Receipt of this News Gov^r
 Dinwiddie has again convened his Assembly. that of Penn^a
 is also sitting, & have given the Gov^r Room to expect £20000
 will be now granted by them for his Majesty's Service, if they
 prepare such a Bill as the Gov^r can accept I will also
 call our People together on the same Occasion; but if the
 Quakers still persevere in their Obstinacy, I shall not put