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General Johnson will at this time proceed no farther, what
Credit is to be given to these Reports I know not having received
no Let^r from the Northw^d since the End of last Month.

To William Sharpe Esq. 24 Oct^r

D^r B. I have received the Extracts out of the Council Re-
cords respecting the Statute of the 6 of Queen Ann concerning
the Emission of Paper Money that you let M^r Calvert have,
I shall take Care for the future to comply with the Orders
contained in those Extracts neither do I conceive that the
Law which was passed here soon after my Arrival regulating
the Value of Coin is in the least contrary thereto, for our
Act does not make the Coin or Paper Money of which it
speaks a Legal Tender in all Payments but only in
discharge of publick Services & Officers Fees. I am apt
to think that the Disallowance of the Act of the Jersey
Assembly that you let me have a Copy of by M^r Calvert
will make that Province as averse to granting any farther
Supplies for His Majesty's Service as the Assemblies of
Penn^a & Maryland have proved. Unless the Legislature of
Great Britain interferes & orders what we shall each do
these Colonies seem to be in a very unhappy State &
Condition, the Indians make IncurSIONS & cut off our
Inhabitants while the Dispute that subsists between the
Branches of our Legislature concerning the Appropriation
of Ordinary Licence Taxes puts it out of my Power
to take any Measures to protect them. It is said,

General