

Let he would recruit Men in these Parts for such
 Regiment otherwise as I expect our Assembly will
 make provision for keeping it up he will remain
 at Fort Cumberland, continue to command the Compa-
 ny that he has already raised. I desire you will
 believe that I am too anxious to merit the
 Continuance of your Correspondence & the
 favourable Opinion you have been pleased to
 entertain of me ever to neglect an Opportunity
 of demonstrating ~~that~~ I am with the greatest
 Respect & Esteem Yours Excellency's

Jan^y 24. To Gov^r Morris

In Return your thanks for forwarding to me by
 Express the Packet that you was kind enough to
 bring from Gen^l Shirley to Phil^a, & for the Civilities
 I received at your hands during my Stay in that City.
 Since my Return hither I have received a Let^r from
 Gov^r Dinwiddie advising me that 130 of the Cherokees
 have been prevailed on to take up the Hatchet ag^t the
 French & that in conjunction with some Companies of
 the Virginia Rangers they are gone to attack one of
 the Shawnee Towns. He also informs me that two Gent^l
 of his Council who have been with a considerable