

Letter Bk. I. about the Garrison's being massacred was without Foundation. Your Ldp will also see by the Gazette that a Body of Men from Pens^a have lately made an Expedition to the Westward of the Allegany Hills & destroyed an Indian Town situated on a Branch of the Ohio about 25 Miles above Fort Du Quesne. It is reported that three or four Indians of the Six Nations that happened to be at Phil^a when Col^o Armstrong's Letter was received & published expressed a good deal of Resentment & said that such hostile Attempts on their Cousins the Delawares should not be long unrevenged; We are also told that some of the pacific Gentⁿ of Pens^a seemed to be surprized at Armstrong's proceedings & observed that the Assembly did not grant Supplies for carrying on an offensive War but only for the Defence & Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants. however I hope this is the Sense of a very few & doubt not but the Conduct of Colo Armstrong will meet with general Approbation. Nothing I am convinced could have rendered us so contemptible to the Savages as our continuing so long on the Defensive & nothing but such Expeditions into their Country will give them a better Opinion of Us or do them any Injury. The Pens^a Assembly has at length after some Altercation with their New Governor acted a more rational part than they have lately done tho I do
 p. 232 not think their Resolutions even now manifest any great Zeal for His Majestys Service. I have not heard how the £30,000 that they have granted is appropriated but I suppose the greatest part of it is for the Support of Troops to garrison the Stoccado Forts & patroll on their own Frontiers, as more than the £60000 granted last year for that purpose is already expended. In my Lett^r dated the 13th Sept^r I advised Y^r Ldp of the necessity I was under of ordering some Detachments of Militia to march to Conegochiegh & cover that Settlement, This has been attended with the Consequence that I hoped it would. The People who abandoned their Habitations are again returned & as no Indians have since appeared there I hope they will not lose the Season of sowing their Grain which would be attended next year with the most fatal Consequences. Colonel Lloyd I hear will dispatch a Vessel for London the 20th of this Month, by her I shall address myself again to Your Ldp & beg leave to assure your Ldp that I am

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

5th of Oct^r 1756 transmitted by Capt.

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In my Lett^r dated the 14th Sept^r I informed you that the Assembly was to meet that afternoon in Consequence of a Lett^r that the Earl of Loudoun had writ to me upon receiving an Acco^t of