

for Arms & Ammunition which will enable Me the better to persuade the Lower House to reenact that Law this Session

Letter Bk. I.
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The Rev^d M^r Malcolm has made Application to Me for a removal to S^t Mary's Parish in Dorset County the Value of which exceeds 40000^{lb} of Tobacco p Ann: lately vacated by the decease of M^r Dill. M^r Malcolm has lived in this Town as Rector several years in good esteem, is now growing old & having a large family is very worthy his Ldp's favour.

[Dinwiddie to Sharpe.]

Williamsburg Oct^r 11th 1753—

S^r

The Bearer hereof M^r Geo. Gordon is an Inhabitant of y^r Province, he came here to pay me a Visit, & as he was a Stranger to y^r Excell^{cy} pray'd my Letter to introduce him to you. He formerly liv'd some years with me, & behav'd himself extreemly well, he afterwards enter'd into Trade in Maryland, & I find he has had some Misfortunes, but I hope his Character in Maryland is the same as I really think he deserves, so pray allow me by this to introduce him to you.

Original.

I lately sent a Present to several Nations of Indians on the Ohio &c. The Com^{iss}^r I appointed is return'd here, but as yet have not rec^d his report of anything of Consequence in it I shall in Time Com^{unicate} to you.

Next May I have desir'd several of the Heads of the different Tribes or Nations of Indians, to meet me at Winchester; having a very handsom Present from his Majesty to give them, if y^r Excell^{cy} by that Time have anything to Negotiate with these People, I shall be glad if I can serve you; in the mean Time believe me to be with great regard & Sincerity

S^r

Y^r most Obed^t hble Serv^t
Rob^t Dinwiddie

To his Excell^{cy} Hor. Sharpe Esq^r

[Dinwiddie to Sharpe.]

Williamsburg Oct^r 23^d 1753

S^r

Two Days ago arriv'd here a Man of War Sloop from Eng^d with sundry Dispatches for me; & Letters to all His Majesty's Gov^{rs} on this Continent wth orders to dispatch the different Letters im^{ediately} to them; I therefore send this Express as far as New York accordingly; & he has my orders on his return to call on you for a Letter to acknowledge the receipt of the within from the Sec^{ry} of State. As the Man of

Original.