

Letter Bk. III

[Sharpe to Governor Bernard.]

Maryland 8<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>st</sup> 1760.

Sir

Having upon the Receipt of a Letter from Mr Pownall Your Excellency's Predecessor ordered Briefs to be issued here in May last & a Collection to be made throughout this Province for the Relief of the unhappy People who suffered by the Fire which some time ago broke out in the City of Boston & having reason to believe that a Sum of Money from Fourteen to Eighteen hundred Pounds Currency will within these three weeks be collected & paid into our Loan Office for the Purpose above mentioned, I take the Liberty to desire you will be pleased to inform me after what manner you think it will be best for the Commissioners of our Loan Office to remit the same to Boston whether in Gold & Silver Specie or good Bills of Excha payable in London, A Pistole with us is rated at 27/ a Dollar at 7/6 & Exchange at present is from 55 to 57½. Wishing Your Excellencys Administration in the Province over which by His Majesty's late appointment you now preside may be easy & happy I am—

[Sharpe to Governor Boone.]

Maryland 8<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 1760.

Sir

Having a few Days ago received Your Letter dated the 14<sup>th</sup> of July wherein you were pleased to advise me of Your being appointed Governor of His Majesty's Province of New Jersies I do myself the honour to congratulate you on that Event & most sincerely wish Your Administration may be easy & happy. I return You Thanks for permitting me to hope that I shall on other occasions be hereafter favoured with Your Correspondence which I shall on my Part be always very desirous to Cultivate being with great Respect Sir

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> humb Serv<sup>t</sup>

[Sharpe to General Monkton.]

Annapolis the 13<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>t</sup> 1760—

Sir

Immediately on the Receipt of Your Letter dated the 21<sup>st</sup> of Aug<sup>st</sup> I convened the Gent<sup>n</sup> of our Council & having advised with them thereon I issued Proclamations the next Day requiring the General Assembly of this Province to meet here the 22<sup>d</sup> Inst. when I shall communicate to them the Contents of Your Letter & press them to comply with Your Requisition. As the Number of Men You apply for is so small the assembly