

Colonel Stewen & informed me that the greatest part of the Provisions
were left were on a Review found unwholesome & by his first Lieut. the
& the Virginia Commissary judged unfit for food. I advised Governour
of this Report immediately imagining that he would have given Orders
as was condemned to be removed or destroyed, but contrary to my Expectation
he insists on our Commissary's Accounting for it as for good Provisions saying that
Col: Stewen assured him that the Virginians ate it while they were at the Fort.
As our Men will not touch it I cannot order or desire Mr Page to comply with your
Dinwiddie's Request neither indeed do I suppose he would regard any Order
of mine to do so. I apprehend that Capt Dagworthy & He will desire you
order some impartial Person to examine the Provision which seems to be the only
way to prevent Disputes, & if they should I hope you will not refuse to comply
with their Request.

To Capt Alex: Beall the 6th of July 1757.

Sir
This is to inform you that if you have not already you may soon expect
to receive Orders from Col: Stanwix to send a Detachment of two Sergeants
two Corporals & fifty six private Men from each of the New Companies to
reinforce the Garrison of Fort Cumberland. if Colo Stanwix should not particu-
larly specify what Officers he would have march with these Detachments
you will order Capt Pearis, Lieut: Mathews, Lieut: Hanson & Ensign Beal
on that Service.
I am st: of humb ser: Mt.

To Willm Sharpe Esq. the 6th of July 1757.

Mr B:
Having just received Advice of a Vessel being about to sail from a
distant part of the Province I embrace the Opportunity to acknowledge the
Receipt of your Favours of the 26th feby which I suppose was sent by the
Virga Fleet as it did not reach me till three or four Days ago. As I believe
a Gentl: who informed me of this Opportunity of Convoiance & is returning

immediately