

given them. This is such a Complaint as I am persuaded they will never have
occasion to make ag^t this Govern^t. The Sum allowed by our Act for a Crown
or Scalp will I am told purchase five Pieces of Stroud at least; & if the Indians
who may be successful shall prefer the Goods to Money the Officer at Fort Fre-
derick will always be ready to lay it out for them to the greatest Advantage; or
the Money will be paid to Mr Croghan or any other Person that shall attend the
Indians to Fort Frederick & deliver their Prisoners or Scalps agreeable to the Direction
of our Act & of this I beg the favour of You if You think proper to order Mr Smith to
inform the Indians that are now with You or any others that he might be concerned
with. Last Winter while Lieut^r M^r Beane of the Royal American Regiment
was in this Province, several of his Recruits deserted, two of them were afterwards
taken by one M^r Woolford (whom I had employed to enlist Men for the same Reg^t)
& sent to M^r M^r Beane as he was marching to Phila. M^r Woolford actualled them several
Days but was never repaid the Money that he expended on that Account neither
did he receive any thing for apprehending them. The Persons who concealed or
entertained the Deserters have been since prosecuted & fined agreeable to the Act of
Parliament, as the Deserters had never joined the Regiment I should be glad to know
what You would have done with the M^{ty} of the Fines that is payable to the
Officers or whether You would approve of M^r Woolford's & the Sheriff's being thereby
reimbursed the Expence they were at in actualing the Deserters after they were ap-
prehended.

To Governor Denny. the 15th of July 1757

Sir I do myself the honour to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter dated the
23 of June & at the same time to inform You that I yesterday received one from
Fort Cumberland dated the 10th Inst wherein Capt. Pagworthy tells me that one
John Street who was sometime since a Drummer in that Company of Your
Forces which was commanded by Capt Ward & was taken Prisoner at Fort Green-
ville when that place was reduced has made his Escape together with some Negro
that the Indians had captivated & that they are both come in to Fort Cumberland