

**Henry Bouquet to George Washington, July 1, 1758,
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FROM COLONEL BOUQUET.

CAMP NEAR REAS TOWN 1st. July 1758

SIR

General Forbes having ordered a Communication to be opened from Fort Frederic to Cumberland; I must desire that you will order three Hundred men (Including the Maryland Troops under your Command) to begin to cut on your Side the Said Road already blazed towards Fort Frederic, and to proceed until they meet the 500 men employed to cut from Ft. Frederic. They must have Waggons to carry their Tools, Rum, and Provisions.

If you want Tools, Please to apply to Sir John St. Clair, or to Governor Sharpe.

Besides that Detachment, you will garrison Fort Cumberland, and with the remainder of your Troops, open the Road to Reas Town, where I hope to have Soon the Pleasure to See you, and Col. Byrd.

I am with the highest regard

Sir Your most obedient and most hble servant HENRY BOUQUET