

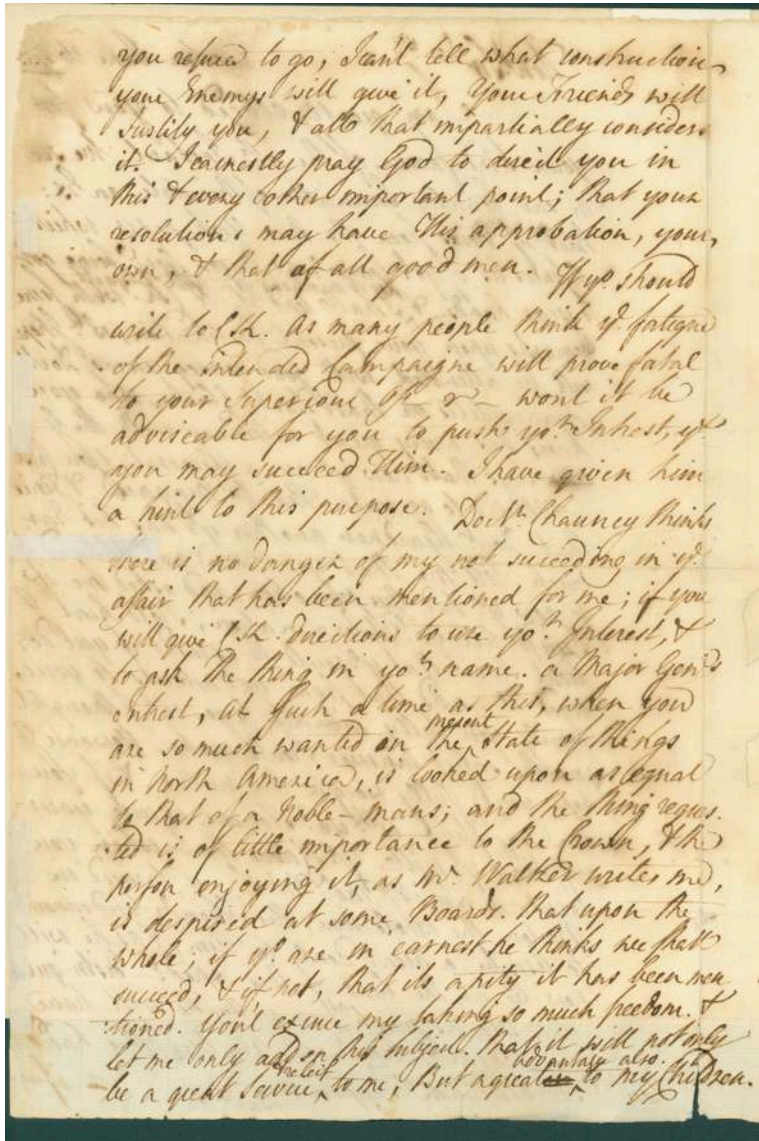
Hon^d Sir

Boston June 16 1755

I am greatly obliged to you for your kind favour of the 9th Instant. We see in our Country Journalls of this date, an Ex: hait[?] of News from the New York paper. which assures us of yo^r Comm^o as Major Gen^l being got as it mentions you with respect to your hands. ^&^ I shall send it to CSh. with some remarks upon your present destination, w^{ch} I hope will be attended with good consequences. Doct^r Chauncy tells me that Doct^r Clarke, who you know has a very great intimacy with the G—^r tells says that now y^o are a General, you Can't be obliged to go under Him to Niagara. & since that Doc^{tr} Gardner another y^l has his ear much, told me that you were not obliged to go now y^o had this promotion; and asked me if I could tell yo^r determination; I told him I didn't know that y^o could be excused if you de: sired it; and that from yo^r adieues to your family you fully intended to go. w^{ch} I thought was the safest answer I could make. However I hope you'll fully weigh the matter. & if you can consistent wth yo^r Honour excuse your self, that y^o will, y^o know that when you went to Luisb^e tho' M^r J - - y tarryed in Boston the whole time, His Friends endeavour'd to ascribe a great deal to Him, & as he will now be at the head of this Exped^o - distinguish as your self, as much ^ you will, He will have the Honour & applause. On the other hand if

Hon^{ble} Sir William Pepperrell Bar^t

Contributed to Maine Memory Network by Maine Historical Society
 (Coll. 420, Box 9/9)
 Date: June 15, 1755
 Description: Nathaniel Sparhawk letter to William Pepperrell



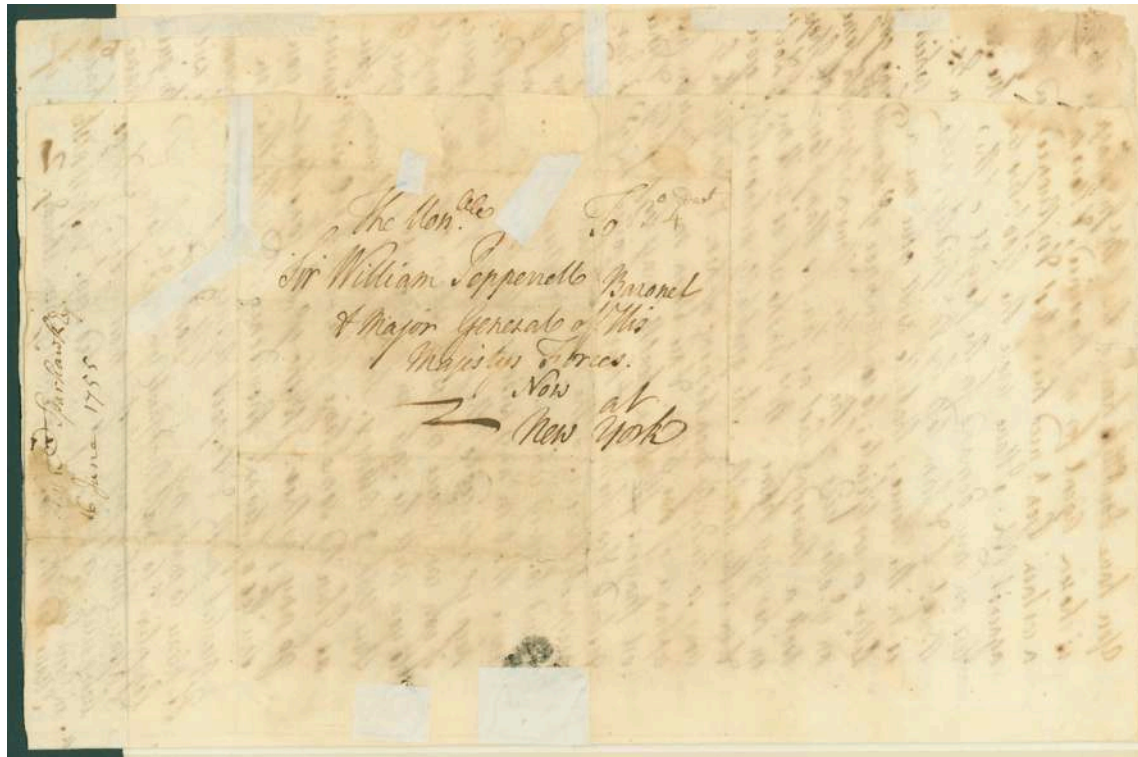
you refused to go, I can't tell what construction
your Enemys will give it, Your Friends will
justify you, & all that impartially consider
it. I earnestly pray God to direct you in
this & every other important point; that your
resolutions may have His approbation, your
own, & that of all good men. If you should
write to C. H. As many people think if fatigued
of the intended Campaign will prove fatal
to your Superiors of — want it be
advicable for you to push yo^r Interest, if
you may succeed Him. I have given him
a hint to this purpose. Doct^r Chauncy thinks
there is no danger of my not succeeding in yo^r
affair that has been mentioned for me; if you
will give yo^r Directions to use yo^r Interest, &
to ask the thing in yo^r name. a Major Gen^l
Interest, at such a time as this, when you
are so much wanted in the ^{present} State of things
in North America, is looked upon as equal
to that of a Noble - mans; and the thing requir-
ed is of little importance to the Crown, & the
person enjoying it, as Mr. Walker writes me,
is despised at some Boards. that upon the
whole; if yo^r are in earnest he thinks we shall
succeed, & if not, that its a pity it has been men-
tioned. You'l excuse my taking so much freedom, &
let me only add on this subject. that it will not only
be a great Service ^{to me}, But a greater ^{to my Children}.

you refused to go, I can't tell what construction
your enemys will give it, Your Friends will
justify you, & all that impartially consider
it. I earnestly pray God to direct you in
this & every other important point; that your
resolutions may have His approbation, your
own, & that of all good men. If yo^e should
write to CSH. As many people think yo^e fatigued
of the intended Campaign will prove fatal
to your Superious of—r- wont it be
adviseable for you to push yo^r Intrest, y^t
you may succeed Him. I have given him
a hint to this purpose. Doct^r Chauncy thinks
there is no danger of my not succeeding in yo^e
affair that has been mentioned for me; if you
will give CSH directions to use yo^r Interest, &
to ask the thing in yo^r name. a Major Gen^l
Intrest, at such a time as this, when you

present
are so much wanted in the ^ State of things
in North America, is looked upon as equal
to that of a Noble - mans; and the thing reques-
ted is of little importance to the Crown, & the
person enjoying it, as M^r Walker writes me,
is despised at some Boards. that upon the
whole; if you are in earnest he thinks we shall
succeed, & if not, that its a pity it has been men-
tioned. You'l excuse my taking so much freedom &
let me only add on this subject. that it will not only
& releif advantage also
be a great Service ^ to me, But a greater ^ to my Children.

You have doubtless heard that Mr Jn^o Sharp
 is chosen Agent for y^e province, & how much
 a certain Gen^l used his Intrest & influence
 against CSh. I have wrote the Gov^r two let-
 ters on my demand for the freight of the
 Brig^t - & I am told by Mr Gridley, who
 is in the House; that He will give me a
 Letter or certificate; to countenance y^e demand
 on y^e other side of the Water. Your Lady was
 well a thursday last as far as Hampton
 in her way home. M^{rs} Sparhawk is with me
 & in better health. She gratefully acknowledges
 your so tenderly mentioning of her. & kind ac-
 ceptance of her letter. & we Joyn in our earn-
 est prayers. ~~for~~ ^ your health may be perfectly
 restored & confirmed. & heartily rejoyce in y^e
 prospect there is of the same. I shall
 Attend to every circumstance & Occur-
 rence that in any wise relates to you, &
 keep y^e advised to the same; till your return
 if you can advise me, with whom my letters
 to you will be safe in y^r absence from
 New York & Albany. Tho' I dont yet realize
 as I hinted some time since, that y^o will
 go any farther. I wish y^o the Constant
 Smiles of divine Providence; & with the
 greatest truth & Respect assure y^o I am
 If please to make my Hon^{bl} Sir
 Complim^{ts} to Cap^t Bradstreet Y^r Obed^t son, & Devo:
 & assure him of my intrest ted Serv^t N.Sparhawk
 being used. for his success
 in our Gen^l Court. Wherein
 I have had the pleasure of serving him already.

You have doubtless heard that Mr Jn^o Sharp
 is chosen Agent for y^e province, & how much
 a certain Gen^l used his Intrest & influence
 against CSh. I have wrote the Gov^r two let-
 ters on my demand for the freight of the
 Brig^t - & I am told by Mr Gridley, who
 is in the House; that He will give me a
 letter or certificate; to countenance y^e demand
 on y^e other side of the Water. Your Lady was
 well a Thursday last as far as Hampton
 on her way home. M^{rs} Sparhawk is with me
 & in better health. She gratefully acknowledges
 your so tenderly mentioning of her. & kind ac-
 ceptance of her letter. & we Joyn in our earn-
 est prayers. ~~for~~ ^ your health may be perfectly
 restored & confirmed. & heartily rejoyce in y^e
 prospect there is of the same. I shall
 Attend to every circumstance & Occur-
 rence that in any wise relates to you &
 keep y^o advised of the same; till your return
 if you can advise me, with whom my letters
 to you will be safe in y^r absence from
 New York & Albany. Tho' I dont yet realize
 as I hinted some time since, that y^o will
 go any farther. I wish y^o the Constant
 Smiles of divine Providence; & with the
 greatest truth & Respect assure y^o I am
 If please to make my Hon^{bl} Sir
 Complim^{ts} to Cap^t Bradstreet Y^r Obed^t son, & Devo:
 & assure him of my intrest ted Serv^t N.Sparhawk
 being used. for his success
 in our Gen^l Court. Wherein
 I have had the pleasure of serving him already.



The Hon^{ble}
Sir William Pepperrell Baronet
& Major General of His
Majestys Forces
Now
at
New York