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## FOREWORD

The events of the year 1762, covered by Series 21648 of the PAPERS OF COLONEL HENRY BOUQUET, gave little indication of the Indian war which was to sweep away the entire system of defensive posts in the following year. The letters to Bouquet from his subordinates in the small forts scattered throughout the trans-Allegheny wilderness were concerned mainly with problems of supply and management. Often, the forts and their buildings required repair, as when the entrenchments at Fort Presque Isle were undermined by a spring thaw. Disease and privation made serious difficulties in the garrisons. But in none of the letters was there any sense of urgency, in so far as danger from the Indians was concerned. The officers worried about food and supplies, about keeping a healthy garrison, about getting transferred from monotonous duty in the Indian country, but not about the Indians themselves.

As in the previous year, the letters to Bouquet dealt largely with routine matters, and are of interest chiefly because they show how officers and garrisons functioned in time of peace. He received news of affairs on his plantation, news of British victories in other parts of the world where the war was still raging, and news of his own naturalization by the Assembly of Maryland. During much of the spring and summer he was at Fort Pitt, supervising the smaller forts from that point. When not there, he was at some point on the long communication between Philadelphia and the forks of the Ohio River.

He had the unpleasant task of reducing the number of officers and men in the various posts, for the British authorities and the commander-in-chief, Sir Jeffery Amherst, believed that the wilderness posts could be safely held by much smaller forces. Many of the letters were in regard to this reduction. No one supposed that the Indians could be dangerous, without the support and backing of the French. The few hints about their hostility and dissatisfaction that were picked up were not taken seriously. The forts were stripped of their defenders on the very eve of the outbreak.

A few letters depicting life in Forts Presque Isle, Le Boeuf and Venango have been taken from this series to form the chapter, "The Year before the Storm," in Wilderness Chronicles of Northwestern Pennsylvania (Harrisburg, 1941). Many letters, not included there for reasons of space, will be found in this series, to add detail and color for the study of this crucial period, when lack of foresight was preparing the way for calamity.

Series 21648 is made up almost entirely of Bouquet's incoming correspondence, letters from officers and friends during

1762. There are, however, a few scattered drafts of letters from Bouquet himself which became part of this series in some way. Because of its length, this series has been divided into two volumes, Parts I and II, of which this is Part I. This volume contains letters and papers dated before the end of June, 1762.

The manuscript collection of the Bouquet Correspondence forms thirty series of the British Museum's Additional Manuscripts classification. After Bouquet's death, his papers came into the possession of Frederick Haldimand, his friend and executor, and were given by Haldimand's heirs to the British Museum, together with Haldimand's own papers. For this reason the Bouquet Papers are sometimes listed as part of the Haldimand Collection.

The relation between the various series of the PAPERS OF COLONEL HENRY BOUQUET is shown by their contents. Series 21631 and Series 21632 contain Bouquet's letter books for the years 1757 and 1758, covering the period of his service in South Carolina. His military accounts for South Carolina are in Series 21633. Series 21634 is his correspondence with Sir Jeffery Amherst, and Series 21635 is made up of governmental instructions to Amherst. Bouquet's correspondence with General Thomas Gage is in Series 21636 and 21637. Series 21638 is composed of correspondence with Generals Stanwix, Gage, Monckton, and others, 1759-1765. Series 21639 is his correspondence with Sir John St. Clair and Captain James Sinclair, 1758-1763; and Series 21640 consists of correspondence with the Earl of Loudoun and Brigadier General John Forbes. Bouquet's letters to and from Colonel George Washington in 1758 form Series 21641. The correspondence of Captain Lewis Ourry is in Series 21642.

In Series 21643 to 21651 are letters to Colonel Bouquet from various persons, his general incoming correspondence from 1755 to 1765. His general outgoing correspondence is in Series 21652 and 21653. There are miscellaneous accounts and returns in Series 21654, and papers relating to Indian affairs in Series 21655. Series 21656 has public orders issued by Amherst and Bouquet, and Series 21657 has general and regimental orders. Series 21658 is made up of miscellaneous papers; Series 21659 is the cash book for the South Carolina campaign; and Series 21660 is an inventory of Bouquet's belongings made after his death.

Photostatic reproductions of the Bouquet Papers, borrowed from the Library of Congress, were carefully copied, and checked. The handwritten copy was typed, and the typed copy rechecked against the original. Finally, before any mimeographing was done, the handwritten copy and the typed copy were carefully compared, and

any variation or doubtful reading rechecked against the original photostats. It is hoped that this repeated checking will have reduced the number of errors to a minimum.

Great care has been taken to make a faithful reproduction of the original, bearing in mind the limitations of typewritten copies of manuscript material. For example, it is not possible to show, in typed versions of drafts for letters, all the insertions between the lines and in the margins; they must be rearranged and organized into uniform lines. However, when words have been crossed out or changed in the original, a line is drawn through these words in the typed version; it is thus possible to see both the original and the revised version of the letters. Occasionally, the omission of a paragraph is indicated by one or two diagonal lines, as it was on the original.

The capitalization, spelling, grammar, and punctuation are the same as in the original, so far as is humanly possible. When illegible or almost illegible words could be determined with some degree of certainty, they are included in brackets. When there was some doubt, a question mark follows. When a word or words must be entirely omitted because of illegibility, this is shown by a line of dots in brackets, or by an explanation in brackets. No attempt has been made to indicate misspelled words or grammatical errors by the use of sic; they are too numerous. When there was doubt whether a punctuation mark was actually a comma or period, colon or semicolon, dash or period, the most likely one was chosen.

The description of the letters as autograph letters, drafts, etc., is intended more as a tentative suggestion than as a final determination of their character. Exhaustive research and a study of the handwriting would undoubtedly result in some changes. In all cases, they are the obvious descriptions, made conservatively.

The names of senders or recipients of letters have been bracketed in the headings when there was any doubt as to their identification. Dates missing in the headings of letters have been supplied in brackets, when they could be determined. The dates in parentheses at the top of the pages are intended as a help in using the volume.

The index is intended to cover only the proper names, the references to persons and places. References to Bouquet are indexed only when they appear in the body of a letter. The table of contents makes it possible to locate the page number of a letter by title, date, or folio number. The chronological arrangement is that followed in the original series.



This, like the preceding volumes, is a product of a Work Projects Administration project sponsored by the Pennsylvania Historical Commission. The Frontier Forts and Trails Survey, the Erie project which began the work on the Bouquet material, has merged with the Historical Records Survey to form the Pennsylvania Historical Survey. This statewide project is under the efficient direction of J. Knox Milligan, State Supervisor, while Leo A. Madlehner as Assistant State Supervisor is immediately in charge of the transcription work. The cooperation of Mr. Guy C. Cleaver, District Manager, and Mrs. Milla M. Smart, District Director of the Service Division, in administering this work in the northwestern Pennsylvania area, is cordially acknowledged.

As for the Historical Commission's share in this undertaking, general technical supervision of all research work is under the State Historian, Sylvester K. Stevens, and his has been the final word of authority on all matters connected with research and publication. In this supervision he is aided by Donald H. Kent, Associate State Historian, whose earlier experience as project historian brought him into close contact with this work.

On the project, Mrs. Autumn Leonard has been immediately responsible for the checking and preparation of this volume. To her and to the other project workers who assisted in executing this task, our thanks are due for their careful and painstaking work.

ROSS PIER WRIGHT  
Chairman  
Pennsylvania Historical Commission

# TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS

Add. MSS.	Additional Manuscripts.
A. C.	Autograph Copy.
A. C. S.	Autograph Copy Signed.
A. D.	Autograph Document.
A. D. S.	Autograph Document Signed.
A. Df.	Autograph Draft.
A. Df. S.	Autograph Draft Signed.
A. L. S.	Autograph Letter Signed.
A. N.	Autograph Note.
A. N. S.	Autograph Note Signed.
B. M.	British Museum.
C.	Copy.
C. S.	Copy Signed.
D.	Document.
D. S.	Document Signed.
Df.	Draft.
Df. S.	Draft Signed.
f.	folio.
L. S.	Letter Signed.
N.	Note.
N. S.	Note Signed.
P. A. C.	Public Archives of Canada.
trans.	transcript.





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COL. ADAM STEPHEN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 1, A. L. S.]

[Fort Chiswell, Jan. 7, 1762.]

Sir,

I am Commanded to march down the Virg<sup>a</sup> Regiment to the Inhabitants in order to be disbanded; and am ordered to request you, to have the men relieved at Fort Burd & Cumberland that they may be marched down to Winchester & there receive their Arrears of Pay, and be discharged.

Be pleased, Sir, to order this to be done with all convenient dispatch, as the poor men will be continued but a Certain time, in Pay of the Colony.

I have the Pleasure to inform you, that after a long Campaign, matters are firmly Settled on this Quarter.

When We Approached their Towns, The King & Governor of the Cherokee Nation with about 500 Chiefs & Warriors &c of the Cherokees, came out to meet us w<sup>t</sup> a flag of Truce, behaved with great Submission, & readily agreed to what was proposd, Signing & Sealing every Article. I sent an Officer w<sup>t</sup> the King, by Water to Choty, & the King sent Several of People to W<sup>m</sup>burg to Confirm the Peace. They behaved very honestly, & they had Supplyd themselves so well with horses from the People of Carolina, that they meddled with none of ours.

About Seventy Northern Indians, Set Some Cherokees a Scampering on Christmass day last; but let one fellow slip through their fingers after they had taken him. They behaved themselves extreamly well to our People, but conducted themselves, very indifferently as Warriors, they had Opportunity to give the Cherokees a Severe Blow. They very readily produced there pass on all Occasions, Signed at Pittsburg Oc<sup>r</sup> 27. George Croghan



(January 7, 1762)

I have about 40 Stallfed Bullocks on my Farm, & Shall be obliged to You to Acquaint me, when you will have Occasion for them at Fort Pitt. I offer my Compliments to the Gentlemen of the Garrison, & am with great respect

Sir,  
Your most Obedt hu<sup>d</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

ADAM STEPHEN

Fort Chiswell January 7<sup>th</sup> 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Stephen 7<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>  
1762. Received by Symons the 5<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>r</sup> Answerd the  
5<sup>th</sup>

(January 17, 1762)

CAPT. JAMES YOUNG TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 3, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>r</sup> 1762.

Dear Sir

On Receipt of your very kind favour of the 2<sup>d</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> p<sup>r</sup>. Capt<sup>n</sup> d. Has I made application to our Government in behalf of those Sold<sup>r</sup>s who staid with you past their time of Enlistment, and I was directed agreeable to your desire to pay such men as staid till the 3<sup>d</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup> 30 days pay for their march down and the Extraordinary days they remain'd over their time, to those who staid to the 25<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> but not till the 3<sup>d</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> only 20 days Pay. I was also Authoriz'd to pay M<sup>r</sup> Zwinglius as Quarter Master on your Recommendation. Every Body here expected a Request from Gen<sup>l</sup> Amhurst to continue a Number of Our men, which undoubtedly would have been granted, for our Gov<sup>t</sup> is very uneasy at the smallness of your Forces.

If the good wishes & regret of your many friends here for your disagreeable & distant Situation, deprived of most of the Social Pleasures of life & they of your agreeable conversation, Could make you happy, you certainly would be very much so.

(January 17, 1762)

we have no news but what is in the Publick Papers. A Vacation of business for some time past in this Place has sett many to Work on the Matrimonial Scheme of which you will hear more particular next Post, The Torrent of Popular Clamour seems to drown all M<sup>r</sup> Pitts Former Merit (what unsteady Mortals are the People of England).

Doctor Grame & family join me in best Respects to you

Being very Sincerely

Dear Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> & most Humble Servant

JAS YOUNG

Col<sup>l</sup> Henry Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup>

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Young 17<sup>th</sup> January  
1762 Received the 16<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> answered the 17<sup>th</sup>

(January 17, 1762)

GOV. FRANCIS FAUQUIER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 5, A. L. S.]

W<sup>ms</sup>burgh Jan<sup>y</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

The proclamation issued by you concerning the settling and hunting on the Lands to the Westward of the Alleghenny Hills, gives Rise to some Uneasiness in this Colony, (over w<sup>ch</sup> his Majesty has been graciously pleased to appoint me to preside as his Lieutenant-Governor) as it seems to tend to obstruct the resettling the Lands by the persons who have taken up Lands by patent under his Majesty, and have been formerly settled on them; but drove from their Settlements by the late Disturbances. There are many such, belonging to

(January 17, 1762)

this Colony; who made Settlements on Monongahela Green Bigger, and New River to the Westward of the Allegheny Mountains, and on the Waters of the Ohio.

On these Considerations I have been desired to apply to you that you would do me the Favor to make known to me your Intentions in publishing the said proclamation: and whether the Certificate you require, is only to ascertain the Identity of the persons who are new, or hereafter may be settling to the Westward of those Hills to prevent any other persons who have no right to settle on the Lands which may be claimed by those who have legally taken them up by patent under the Crown. This is a laudable Intention and may prevent Vagabonds from taking Possession of the just Rights of others.

As for new Settlements his Majesty's pleasure has been signified to me by Letter from the right honourable the Lords of Trade and plantations, that I should on no account whatever make any grants of Lands on the Waters of the Ohio, untill his Majesty's further pleasure be known. And the Governor of Pennsylvania is, as I am informed, under the same Restrictions.

The particular Article relating to the Offenders being tried by Courts Martial, has alarmed the gentlemen of Consequence in this Colony; as they apprehend no person is liable to Martial Law or to tryal by Court Martial who is not in some Shape connected with the Military Department.

These Representations I have made to you by and with the Advice of his Majestys Council and I make no Doubt but your Answer will be fully satisfactory to them in every particular.

I am with great Regard

Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Servant

FRAN: FAUQUIER

To Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Governor Fauquier 17<sup>th</sup> January 1762. Received the 7<sup>th</sup> February. Answered the 8<sup>th</sup>

(January 18, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 7, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762.

Dear Sir,

I am favour'd with Yours of the 28. Decem<sup>r</sup>. Which, I made a Shift to read, without any Deceypherer, 'tho, by the by, Its more than M<sup>r</sup> Willing could do with the One to him, for he requir'd my Assistance in two Words, Which gave me great pleasure, and I promis'd to write You of it: However to come to the Point But I find I can't, I must leave that to my friend the Duke, who will, by this Conveyance inform You of the Intended Alterations in the Willing family. I am even Surpris'd, who am on the spott, and have heard all about it, 'tho I have seen so many Strange things, I should not be surpris'd at any thing. Miss Willing had all Your three Letters, Yesterday afternoon (Sunday) Where I spent the Evening as Usual, and all the Byrd family too were, and Where You were kindly remembred &c. and Miss Willing, & M<sup>r</sup> Willing promised to Write and send me their Letters. I thank you, for remembering my Money Affair to Barnsley, and Your good advice as to Matrimony, but I have no, not the most Distant, thoughts of that. The Inclosed from Cap<sup>t</sup> Bentinck, has laid here some time for Want of one Opp<sup>y</sup>. The Vessell who brought it, was gone down but some hours, before I had Yours on Saturday, but the two Inclosed, I will send by the first Conveyance. I wrote Cap<sup>t</sup> Bentink by that Vessell, & told him When I heard from You. Your Letter for M<sup>r</sup> Calcraft, goes this Day to York, to be sent by the Packett.

I remain with much Esteem,

My Dear Sir,

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> hble serv<sup>t</sup>.

ALEX<sup>r</sup> LUNAN.

Col.<sup>o</sup> Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Lunan 18<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762.  
answ<sup>d</sup> the





(January 21, 1762)

ADAM HOOPS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 11, L. S.]

Carlisle 21<sup>st</sup> January 1762

Dear Sir

I received your favour of the 6<sup>th</sup> December last I have got all my Acco<sup>ts</sup> Settled with the General, what I want Was then to settle, the Overplush of Provisions remained in Store at my Delivering them up which I now have got settled At the same rate the were Purchased in the Inhabitants I shall send from here tomorrow a Letter from the General And One just Arrived from home which I got in the Coffy Place at Philadelphia which I wish safe to hand and hopes [ . . . ] from the General will Offord you the liberty once More to Pay Philad<sup>a</sup> a Vizet which I sincerely wish. I Send you a News Paper which Capt<sup>n</sup> Curry is to forward From Bedford, We have had no ~~News~~ Acco<sup>ts</sup> from General Monckton since he went away. but by a Young Man Just Arrived from Mountacristy who told me the French was laying Great Betts among them selves Some that Martinico would be taken and some that it would not. I mist of Fleming the Express on the Road.

I am Sincerely

Dear Sir

Your Most Humb<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

AD<sup>m</sup> HOOPS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hoops 21<sup>st</sup> January 1762  
Received the 2<sup>d</sup> feb<sup>y</sup> Answered the 3<sup>d</sup>



(January 22, 1762)

WILLIAM PLUMSTED AND DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 12, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> January 22<sup>d</sup> 1762

Sir

Your esteemed favour of 26<sup>th</sup> December we have received and are sorry any Complaints ever had been made respecting M<sup>r</sup> Thompson's Cattle as You seem to think he has shewn himself an honest man but itt did not come from us the Complaint came to us from the General. We are sorry any misunderstanding should arise respecting our Letter to S<sup>r</sup> John as nothing was intended or meant further then to know where we was to gett money to pay the several drafts on us for Accot<sup>t</sup> of the Crown & in doing that we mentioned the letter we had then but a little while before received from our Agent of which the following is the paragraf. =Our Agent writes us word of the 3<sup>d</sup> of \*Nov<sup>r</sup> that what was formerly paid by the Quarter Masters & Engeneers =for disbursments & necessarys is now ordered to be paid by him. We =should be greatly obliged to know the Reason of this Change att =Fort Pitt as we have never received any directions Respecting itt. This is all we said to Sir John on that head and thought no more then that you might have had some orders respecting itt from the General but as itt is We are sorry Our application had not been made to you though we cant see any Great inconveniency that can attend itt. As we are Circumstanced & as we beleive from hurry & Illness Our General Monckton left us neglected in every part as if we did not belong to his further care & made no provision for the supplying us with the Sinews to discharge the publick debts. The Accounts you have been so good as to inclose give us great pleasure & we can only Assure you of every thing in our power to serve you. Itt is no smal satisfaction to us att this time to have the agreeable Account of many of ~~His~~ Our stray Cattle being taken up and are greatly obliged for your Care in causing such strickt inquiry We have an account from M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby of the Hoggs delivered by Thompson and are att a Loss how to reconcile the great wast on the Estimation and they so soon Killed us 2687<sup>6</sup> on one hundred & [Sixty?] Hoggs We apprehend those Gen<sup>l</sup> who were appointed to Value them must have made some great mistake in Judgment or have known very little about them. We therefore must request you to

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\* These marks were used in the original in place of the usual quotation marks.

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assist our Agent in getting this should it be a mistake rectified. We can only now ask pardon for being so free in requesting this of you and as You have ever done what lay in Your Power to serve us you will we hope excuse this

We are  
Sir  
Y<sup>e</sup> much Obliged & Obed<sup>t</sup> Humb Serv<sup>t</sup>

PLUMSTED & FRANKS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks  
22<sup>d</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762. Received 16<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> answ<sup>d</sup> the 17<sup>th</sup>

(January 24, 1762)

CAPT. JOHN SCHLOSSER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 13, A. L. S.]

Presqu'Isle Jan: 24<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir!

I Send you inclosed the Monthly Return of this Garrison as also the Returns of Stores at Presqu'Isle & acquaint you in the mean Time that the Commissary of Provisions having acquainted me, that the Porck Barrels had never their full Weight, but there was a great Deficiency in each Barrel, I Sendet an officer in Store to See open the Barrels and to observe if they were all full, & I got Report that notwithstanding they were full, there was allweis a deficiency of between 20 to 40 lb and more in each being counted at 200 lb each neat Porck, & as I know not if it must have 200 lb inclusive or exclusive the Barrels & Salt, Seeing him tacken the Porck out & weighing it in a bagg, the Weight of which he Still Deducted, I pray to let me Known, in what Way it must be weight, that I may be able to given the Commissary a Declaration in Meeting of the Deficiency. The Deputy Quartermaster General or M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby

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are in my opinion the best juges of it As the King pays the Backing of Bread, & non of the Backers of the Garrison Since last Winter has been payd, I join you here the accounts of it, So as they the Comissary & Backers had Settled it, praying to procure them that Money, as we are too Subject to all Kint of changes.

Since 6 Days the Intranchement being dumbled Down by the Thaw Weather, & as I kno not what to do with it, if it must be repaired & in what way, so be So good as to Send me an order about it, I have acquainted Capt: Bassett of it in the mean time & have proposed my Daughts about it, but as this Way would requaire more Men than I have, I must leave it to you two.

I am extremly impatient for news, having not a Worth from Fort Pitt Since I am here notwithstanding the great Quantity of letters I have Send there, I Suppose the Shnew & bat Weather has obstructed the Correspondents, I wish we had the Spring again, we are so miserable here, that I have never in all my leif Seen a Soldier actual in Service Suffer So much by want, as We Suffer all here without Distinction, We have no Kint of fresh, nor Veneson nor fish, nothing to hound, & that we would Suffer with Patience, but the Porck is so bat that nor officers nor Men can eat it, & I am afreyd it will bring consequences, I Self leif Since more then 17 Weeks up flower & peace Soup & have eat no Kint of meat but a littel bear's meat on Christmess. We have Still plenty to drinck & That is I think what Kips us in Health & the Bread which is tollerably good. I repeat again here my Solicitation for garden Seed & Shindel Nails, of which I have spoake in my two former letters, our Gentlemen joins with me their Compliment to you & all our Gentlemen at Pittsburgh. I am with Respect

Sir

your most obedient humble Servant

J. SCHLOSSER:

Capt: of the 1<sup>st</sup> B. R. A. R.

Coll: Bouquet: or off: Com: at F: P:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Shlosser 24<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762 Answered the 8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1762.

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CAPT. THOMAS BARNESLEY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 14, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia the 24<sup>th</sup> January 1762

Dear Sir

I receiv'd yours of the 2<sup>d</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup> with the Abstracts from the 25<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup> to the 23<sup>d</sup> Febr<sup>y</sup> for which I am very much Oblig'd to you; I spoke to M<sup>r</sup> Nicholson Concerning M<sup>r</sup> Gorrel when I receiv'd your Letter on that head, he told me Major Rogers did not Mentiond any thing about him therefore could no Nothing in it; I Receivd the two Bills of Cap<sup>t</sup> Bassett and shall Credit him Accordingly, and shall bring the draft you Mention with me to be destroy'd. I have spoke to Messieurs Plumstead and Franks; about the Packet of the 19<sup>th</sup> September and they say they do not Remember any thing about it; but Supposes M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton forwarded it himself as he came down about that time, however I have wrote M<sup>r</sup> Mortier what you said about it and have inclos'd him your draft; I shall Settle with M<sup>r</sup> Lunan as You direct, and shall Collect your Private Acc<sup>t</sup>s and pay them; I have sent inclos'd to Curry two Quire of the paper you wrote for which he will forward to you. I have also sent you two Almanacks; and as soon as the Warrants Returns from Mr Mortier and that I can get that Money, and Some other Money which I have sold Bills for; I will make all the Expedition I am able in Settling my affairs here, and then shall with M<sup>r</sup> Dow repair for Fort Pitt, but am afraid it will be some time next Month before I shall be able to sett of, as I have the Distributions &c<sup>a</sup> to send of to Mr Calcraft.

By a Letter from New York am just now inform'd that Major<sup>s</sup> Browning; Tullikens & Hamilton have got Brevets for Lieut Colonels Rank in the Army and that Cap<sup>t</sup> Allen McLean has got the Rank of Major and Commandant of Six Companys which is to be raised in the Highlands.

inclos'd is a Letter and Copy of an Acc<sup>t</sup> which I receiv'd from Colonel Youngs Clerk, and have sent it to you for your Perusal, but as most of our Captains that was in being then; have now left

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us, I fancy we cannot furnish Col<sup>l</sup> Young with such an Acct<sup>t</sup> as he  
Mentions. Mrs Barnsley joins me in our good wishes to you & Mess.  
and am

Dear Sir

Your Most Humble and most Obedient Servant

THO<sup>s</sup> BARNSELEY

Col<sup>l</sup> Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Barnsley 24<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>  
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(January 27, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 16, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Janr<sup>y</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

I would have press'd the bearer's Horses for to have sent  
you the Salt, but as it threatens more Rain, and he has agreed to  
carry it of choise when he returns, I hope what I have done will  
answer the end full as well, and likeways meet with your Approbation  
I've just received the inclosed Packet from Bedford and am

Sir

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> and most humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARCHI<sup>d</sup> BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Blane 27<sup>th</sup> Jan  
Answ<sup>d</sup> the

[Addressed] To Coll<sup>l</sup> Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt



(January 28, 1762)

GEORGE LACHE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 17, A. L. S.]

[Germantown, Jan. 28, 1762.]

Monsieur

Monsieur, Jais de Mis sise Livre De la Mèlieur poudre que Jaye à Monsieur le Capitaine De Asé; Je Conte Que Monsieur le Corronelle En se va Contan Monsieur; Comè Jay àpris que les Rivier avions Monté Si autè que loeau Est toit Entree Dans les Mageasins quil y a Voy boeau Coupe de Poudre Geaté; Ci Monsieur vou loit En Disposer, De le Me faire savoir ou bien Ci Monsieur sovtoit de la faire De sandre Je pouroy la Re Moudre; Mais Ci la Quantité Est toit Grande Qui valuse la paine pour Moy De Monté Jepourov beatir la de van un péti Moulin Monsieur Je suis Est De Neure

Vôtre Tre humble Est Obeisans Serviteur

GORGE LACHE

De Germantown Ce 28 Janvier 1762:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lache 28 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762  
about Powder

[Addressed] To M<sup>r</sup> Corronelle Bouquet Commendent in Fort Pitt  
in fort Pitt

[TRANSLATION]

Sir:

I have sent six pounds of the best powder that I have to Captain De Ase. I think the Colonel will be pleased with it, Sir. As I learned that the river had risen so high that the water flooded the magazines, which has spoiled a great deal of powder, if Monsieur wishes to dispose of it, let me know; or indced if Monsieur wishes to have it brought down, I can regrind it. But if the quantity is large and is worth my trouble in coming up, I can erect a small mill there.

I am and continue, Sir,  
Your most humble and obedient servant,

GEORGE LACHE

(January 29, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 2164<sup>f</sup>, f. 18, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> 29. Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762

Dear Sir,

Since mine by the last Express, I have not had the pleasure of hearing from You. All friends at the Castles are well, I suppose Curry wrote You that Miss Debby [in his letter was] soon to take Another name, Which I own, did not a little surprise me, who am on the spot; But I see Such Strange things dayly, that I need not be surpris'd at any thing whatever

I am with great Esteem.

Dear Sir

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

ALEX LUNAN.

Be so good, as send the Inclosed to Serj<sup>t</sup> Clark.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Lunan 29<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762

(January 30, 1762)

MAJOR JAMES LIVINGSTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 20, A. L. S.]

[Fort Cumberland,] January 30th, 1762

Sir

As I have rec<sup>d</sup> an Express from Virginia for the Troops to march down, I desire to know what I must do with the Stores at the Crossings, whether I shall move them down to Cumberland or no, and if I may expect any Men here; in regard to the Mens Arms would be glad to hear if I shall take them into the Store at this Post. No news but the River Potomack is to be made navigable by Subscription of Virginia and Maryland, I shall send you the Proposals so soon as I have Opportunity to send to Winchester, inclosed are the Return of Artillery Stores and State of the Garrison

I am

Sir

Your humble Servant

JAM<sup>S</sup> LIVINGSTON

Fort Cumberland

Col<sup>o</sup> Henry Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Major Livingston 30<sup>th</sup>  
Jan<sup>y</sup> 1762. answ<sup>d</sup> the 6<sup>th</sup> feb<sup>y</sup>

(January 30, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 21, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Janr<sup>y</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1762.

Sir

The Express that came from Bedford having lost his Horse, between the Alleghany and Stony Creek, a foot Express brought the Pacquet here from thence, which I've forwarded by one from this.

The wrapper in which the Pacquet came in from Bedford, I made free to open imagining there might be some Letters for this Post, a freedome which I hope you'll forgive for once.

Sir

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> and most humble Servant

A BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut.<sup>t</sup> Blane 30<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>  
answ<sup>d</sup> the 3<sup>d</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup>

[Addressed] To Coll<sup>l</sup> Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt

(February 2, 1762)

LIEUT. STAIR CAMPBELL CARRE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 22, A. L. S.]

Venango Feb<sup>y</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> 1762

Sir

I had at last a few days ago the pleasure of receiving both your favours of 5<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> & 22<sup>d</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> & shall embrace the first convenient opportunity to send a Barrel of Powder to Le Boeuf.

Inclosed are last Months Returns; the Indians now begin to supply us pretty well with Venison.

M<sup>r</sup> Patterson the Indian Trader has beg'd of me to Apply to You for leave to carry down his Skins in the Spring by the Path he formerly used, as it wou'd be a considerable loss to him to be obliged to go by Pittsburg.

I have taken this opportunity to send the Necessaries of of the Six men of this Detach<sup>t</sup> detain'd at Fort Pitt & have sent a list of them to M<sup>r</sup> Potts.

I was very much obliged to you for the Newspapers which I forwarded with the letters.

I am Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> & most Hbble Servant

S. C. CARRE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Carre 2<sup>d</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup>  
answered the 8<sup>th</sup> 1762



(February 6, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 34, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, Feb. 6, 1762.]

My Dear Collonel

I received yours, with the list of the Garden Seeds, which I Sent, To Sir John And he returned the same to me, with his orders to purchase them, which I have done. As to the Flours everything is gote as fare is the Season will admitt of Capt. Barnsley proposes to leave this place Soon, And at the Same time I Shall come with him. I have sent you all the papers with the London Magazines for July Aug<sup>t</sup> and Sep<sup>r</sup> My good Friend C Mather Sufers by his wadger Miss Willing is to be Married to M<sup>r</sup> Finch Francis Munday's night the 8<sup>th</sup> Curt;

my beeing here I Should be Sorry if you Should impute it to any desire of my own Idleness is a thing I never was fond of, And my being here his added a great expence one me.

I found I could not provide for my Son thats now one the expedition otherways than by purchase, And as I have a Numerrous familie to provide for, I now thouted it was the only time.

According to M<sup>r</sup> Potts Letter I have Sent for the remainder of the Cloathing. The Camp Equipage for last year is now in the Regimental Store, I mean the Store that belongs to the Battalion All the Armes here I Shall deliver to Captain Hay and take his receit Accordingly. I am with great respect

My Dear Collonel

Your very much obliged

Your most obed & very Hum: Serv<sup>t</sup>

JAMES DOW

Philad 6<sup>th</sup> Feb: 1762 }

To Collonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut Dow 6<sup>th</sup> feb<sup>r</sup>  
Receivd 1<sup>st</sup> March Answ<sup>d</sup> the

(February 8, 1762)

MARY BILLINGS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 23, A. L. S.]

Boston february the 8 1762

I had presuemd from the kind Expressions in the Letter you honouerd me with, to have Sent you my Certificates, to have Gott the favour of you, to Singe them but as I was informd, you had left Pittsburgh, and Goon further into the Enemeys Countrey, and I thought they might Miscarry if I Sent them, was the Reason of my Neglect In June 1760 I Sent home my Certificates to England and they are Settled and I have Recived my Pension from the Day of mr. Billings Decease I am under the greatest obligations to you Sir for your Goodness to me and Dear Sir when mr Billings accounts is Setteld if there Should be any Ballance in his favour it will be very acceptable to me as I have three Children to Maintain

I am Sir  
with the Greatest Respect  
Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Servant

MARY BILLINGS

To Collonl Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>rs</sup> Billings 78<sup>th</sup> feby  
1762 Received 10<sup>th</sup> March Answ<sup>d</sup> the

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet of the first Battallion of  
Royal Americans Pittsburgh

Received and forwarded by your

Humble Servant

. D. FRANKLIN

(February 8, 1762)

COL. HENRY BOUQUET TO GOV. FRANCIS FAUQUIER

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 25, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt 8<sup>th</sup> February 1762

Sir

I had yesterday the honour of your Excellencys Letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> January concerning the orders issued by me to prevent People hunting or Settling to the Westward of the Allegheny Hills, unless they had obtained leave from the General, or the Governors of their respective Provinces.

I am Sorry they Should have occasioned any uneasiness in your Government, but I hope to Satisfy you that far from intending to invalidate the just right of any Person; or endeavouring to prevent their taking Possession of them, provided they had a legal authority for So doing, I took the only method to secure them, till Such authority could be obtained.

For two years past these Lands have been overrun by a number of Vagabonds, who under pretence of hunting were making Settlements in Several Parts of them, of which the Indians made grievous & repeated Complaints, as being contrary to the Treaty made with them at Easton, and Since confirmed by the General at this Post. In consequence of which General Monckton ordered those People to be driven off, and as the Indians Still complained of newcomers, I issued the Said orders to prevent in the best manner I could those incroachments.

Notwithstanding what I have done they Still, in a less degree, continue the same Practices, and two days ago an Indian who pretend to be Sent by the Six Nations, to See whether we Settle this Country complained to me that he had discovered Ten new Hutts

Excellency Governor Fauquier

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in the Woods, & many Fields cleared for Corn. I have Sent two Persons with him to inquire into the truth of this, & have those People removed.

As to such offenders being liable to be tried by a Court Martial, I conceive that People living out of the Settlements, and at Such Places where there is no form of civil Judicature in force, and acting contrary to the orders of that Department, can be tried by the Martial Law, agreeable to the articles of War: and that the actual inhabitants of this & other remote Forts are liable to be tried in the same manner, if they do any injury to Indians, or otherwise disobey the orders given by the General or Comanding officer, tho' they are not directly connected with the army.

But this can in no manner affect any Settlement that may be made hereafter in this Part of the Country, which coming within the known Limit of one of the Provinces, will consequently fall under its Jurisdiction.

As you are pleased to let me Know that several Persons in your Government, had formerly taken up Lands on the Waters of the Ohio, by Patent under the Crown, I beg leave to observe that whenever you Shall think proper to permit those Persons either to survey or take Possession of the said Land, it will be necessary that the Commander in Chief be informed of it, that I may receive his orders thereupon and I beg your ~~Excellency~~ will be persuaded that as soon as it shall be consistent with my orders to permit Settlements to be made in this Department I shall take a particular Pleasure in giving the Persons concerned all the Protection & assistance in my power.

I have the Honour to be  
with great Respect  
Sir.

Your most obedient & most Humble Servant

H. B.

[Endorsed] Answer to Governor Fauquier the 8<sup>th</sup> Febr<sup>y</sup> 1762

(February 10, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 27, A. L. S.]

Detreit 10<sup>th</sup> Feberwary 1762

Sir

I had the honor to receive both your Letters of the 4<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>br</sup> and Dec<sup>ber</sup>. I sent this Express off about twelve days agoe but he had the Misfortune to loose the Packet of Letters in a River near Sandusky, I am sorry to acquaint you we are entirely disapointed of flour from Niagara, I sent three Batteaus very late, in y<sup>e</sup> Season which were loaded with Perk, but they are froze up in the Lake half Way betwixt this and Niagara. Major Walters had but two Months flour for his Garrison, I ~~shall~~ however at my earnest Request, he has sent me two Barrills of [Pork] and some Ball.

I shall have more Difficulty, to support my Garrison, than I had last year. I have now but twelve Barrills of flour in Store, and very litle flour or Indian Corn to be had and all the out posts expect to be Supplied early in the Spring. You see My Situation is not much to be envyed.

I Received the Powder you mention, I can never too much thank you for your Care and attention in Supplying this Post.

I am Sorry you cannot supply us with more Ammunition from the Kings Stores. I am glad you encourage The Traders to send large Quantitys of Ammunition to the different Posts, I would not choose to have it sent on my Risk, but rather purchase it ~~from it~~ from the Traders, if the necessity of the Service require it, but I shall be highly obliged to you, to encourage the Traders that come by the Way of Fort Pitt, to bring what Ammunition they can. I have wrote General Anherst in the most pressing Forms, the Necessity there is of Supplying the different Posts with Ammunition. I am certain nothing would alarm the Indians sonner than if they knew we had any design to keep them Scarce of Ammunition. I hope the General has changed his Sentiments on this Article.

I have sent you Returns of the Company and detachment, which I hope will please. Be pleased to forward the Generals Letter by the first Opportunity and one to the Postmaster of Newyork, which contains Letters to some of my Great Friends in England who are now in the first employments, of the State, I am at too great a distance to reap the advantage of this Great Power.



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We are in great want of money as the little Cash that circulate has disappeared, but I do not think it prudent to risk Sending any with this Express, tho he is a very faithfull Indian. he brought a Piece of Intelligence from Sandusky that the Shawneese had brought in some Scalps from Virginia, and that the Six Nations were Still contriving Mischief, I desired him to get all the Intelligence he could in passing thorough the Indian Towns, and inform you of it, he is very Intelligent and speaks good french. The Indians are very empotuning to the Officers at the outposts and threaten them

As you have Seen Capt Balfour and Mr Brehm you have got the History of their Travels.

I shall apply to Mr. Lesslye and Gorril for the Peltry you mention, I have a Beaver Blanket for you, which I neglected sending last season, I should think there is noe necssity for sending Merchadise to Purchase it, as its impossible to know what the Indians would choose, and that goods are very cheap at Mechillimakinac.

Pour ce que nous regarde nous passons bien notre, Temps notre societé est beaucoup augmenté par L'arrivé de Chevalier Davers et le Lieut<sup>t</sup> MacDougal de Niagara, le premier est un Jeune Seigneur Anglois des plus acomplis il a fait Ses etudes a Lausanne, et apres Voyage par toute L'europe il passe L'hyver avec nous, il doit voir les Lacs Au printemps Je vous suis infinissent obligé pour les [gazzetes]\*

My Compliments to all your gentlemen and I am  
with the Greatest Respect

DONALD CAMPBELL

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Campbell 10<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup>  
1762 Received the 3<sup>d</sup> March Answered the 5<sup>th</sup>

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\* [Translation] As far as we are concerned, we pass our time very pleasantly. Our society is considerably augmented by the arrival of Chevalier Davers and Lieutenant McDougal of Niagara. The first is a most accomplished young English Lord. He studied at Lausanne and after traveling all through Europe, he is passing the winter with us. He must see the lakes in the spring. I am extremely grateful for the newspapers.

(February 13, 1762)

SERJ. ANGUS MCDONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 29, A. L. S.]

Fort Bard Feb<sup>y</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1762

Honoured Sir

I have Received your Instructions and will Complay with them to the utmost as you think it Necessary I should go to winchester I shall set out on the Return of this Battoe for I have no man that Can do the Bussiness.

This news is very hurtful to my affair and Condition your hon<sup>r</sup> may be assur'd I shall Do Every thing in my power to make my party Easy and will Relv on you to Replace any thing I shall Loose By not being with the Regiment

I am your Honours  
~~faithfull~~ Obedient Humble Servant

ANGUS MCDONALD

[Endorsed] Serj<sup>t</sup> McDonald 13<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1762

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MAJOR JAMES LIVINGSTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 30, L. S.]

Fort Cumberland, Feb<sup>y</sup> 14th, 1762

Sir

I received both your Favours, one on the 13th Instant late at Night, the other early this Morning; as to the Men I shall follow your Orders; and the Powder as I was informed by the Cooper of the Train was the best on the Communication, and I believe it still to be the same, except 2 Barrels which the late Springs rose on in the Magazine; if I had empty half Barrels, I could readily get Horses to send them to Red Stone, as Pack Horses are frequently going up, Serjeant McDonnald could readily convey them to me, and by the Coopers Assistance I could get them back to Red Stone; You wrote to know the Size, the whole is what you commonly call Barrels.

As to the Hunters, I have taken all the Pains I could to detect some of them, but to no purpose, for as they perceive the Proclamation to be so severe, they shun coming near the Fort, and cross the River 6 or 8 Miles from this Garrison

As to the Estimation of the Expen<sup>c</sup>e of the River, I believe it will not be settled, till the Survey of the River is made; the Brass Gun I mentioned in my last Return, I found at a Fort called Pearsals Fort, on the South Branch, with a Quantity of Grape Shot, and 4 Swivels, which they told me belong'd to the Ohio Company; as to the Cannon she was at this Fort when Gen<sup>l</sup> Bradock came here, and for some years after, she seems to me to be a Spanish Piece, and is a Gun fit for Service, only a Piece of her Britch is broke off.

I am

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

JAM<sup>s</sup> LIVINGSTON

(February 16, 1762)

JOHN READ TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[S. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 31, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia 16th February 1762

Sir

I was in New York when the first Account of the flood at Fort Pitt came to General Amhurst upon which I was ask'd for a Return of provisions at that Garrison, and what quantity of Salt was one the Communication but I could not tell as I had not Received but one Return from Fort Pitt sence I made a Survey of the provisions the 26th of March last; and only three Returns from Fort Bedford sence that time. Mr Leake the Commissary General, was very Angry with me in that particular, and Expects for the future to have Returns sent to him Monthly as he has from every District in North America.

I have mention'd this to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks that they may Write to their Clerks to send me Returns that I may be able to make General States and Estimates to lay before the General; to the Commanding Officer of this District & the Commissary General; in which I shall be very punctual as soon as inabled by Returns to do it.

the Inclosed is a Copy of some Memorandoms Mr Lerke took from me to lay before General Amhurst who was pleas'd to say he would write to you on that head; this I thought proper to Acquaint you that I may know your further Orders. the Business of Settling Vouchers keeps me Constantly Employ'd. If Colonel Bouquet thinks it needfull for me to come to Fort Pitt by the latter end of March to Settle the State of the Stores on the Communication I shall with pleasure Obey;

I have the Honour Sir of being your most Obedient and  
Dutifull Humble Servant

JOHN READ D. Commiss<sup>ry</sup>

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Read's Commissary  
16th Feb<sup>y</sup> 1762 Receiv'd the 10th March Answ'd the 30th

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ISAAC VANDENVELDEN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 32, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> Feb<sup>ry</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1762

Honoured Sir

. . . . Honour to you . . . . .  
. . . . . you . . . . .  
. . . . . [Philla<sup>a</sup>] . . . . .  
honour to Send you . . . . . which  
I [might] . . . . favour to have [ . . . ] and by your assistance  
To Said Place By The First safe [opportunity] by four . . . . .  
I Doubt you will Pardon my [Taking] Freedom and Give me leave to  
assure you that I should Be Glad to have it ever in my Power to  
Serve you, and if Ever, Sir, you Should Thinck me Capable of any  
Service in Our Part, you'll have only To Command Him, who with The  
Greatest Esteem has the Honour to remain

Honoured Sir

[Your] Most Obedient Humb Serv<sup>t</sup>

ISAAC VANDENVELDEN

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Vandenvelden



(February 17, 1762)

MILITARY PLUMSTED AND DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 35, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> February 17 1762

Sir

Your favours conferred on us We scarce know how Returne more then by acknowledgeing the Obligations we are under to You for them Your kind assistance to M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby in the late inundation is a fresh proof of your Goodness and we hope through your favour We may be able to save Good part of the Flower that was damaged by the waters Immediately on receipt of M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby Estimate for Salt we applyed to General Amherst for his orders for the supply of the Quantity mentioned and as soon as we Obtained his Answer for our so doing entered into an Agreement With Mess<sup>rs</sup> Thompson Pearis for the same a Copy of which we now inclose you they Boggled much att itt as the Roads they said were as Yett impassable As itt is founded on the same principles with the other last fall made with them by your approbation hope itt may be approved by you which will give us pleasure.

We have wrote M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby requesting that Flower may be used first as we fear when the warm weather comes on itt will not keep & hope he may have your countenance in so doing

We have an Account here of General Moncktons landing on Martinico with little opposition & hope he may succeed We allso hear (and itt seems to gain Credit) that the King of Prussia hath had an engagement with Count Daun & Beat him allmost to a Compleat Victory but I think this news should rest Over for Confirmation though I most sincearly wish itt true

A requisition is made to Our Assembly for 1800 Men but whether they will grant then is uncertain some seem to think they may but you know Freinds have ever endeavoured to inbarrass & not to put a matter of this kind forward so that should the House of Assembly grant the Men itt will I fear be difficult to send them timely for service this year. The currant news of the City will be better told you by Cap<sup>t</sup>s Barnsley & Dow then I can pretend to they being but acquainted with itt

We are Sir

Y<sup>r</sup> Most Obed<sup>t</sup> Hum<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>ts</sup>

PLUMSTED & FRANKS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks  
17<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> Received the 10<sup>th</sup> March 1762. Answered the

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ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 37, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> February. 1762.

Dear sir,

Since I Wrote You by M<sup>r</sup>. Croghan, I have not had the pleasure of hearing from you.

I leave it to M<sup>r</sup>. Ourry, & the bearer, to give You an Account of our friend Miss W<sup>s</sup>. Marraige, and how they all do at both Castles, 'tho no doubt but M<sup>r</sup>. Willing has Wrote You.

I am now only to request Youl be pleasd to put Cap<sup>t</sup>. Barnsley in mind, to send me the Bills he promised me, for the things sent the Battalion, by the first Express that comes down, after he gets up to Fort Pitt, Which he assured me, when I gave him the Account, I might depend upon. I waited very long last Year after he went up, and has now been in the Advance of this for some time, Which makes me take the Liberty of mentioning it to you.

M<sup>r</sup>. Mitchell paid me the £ 100 for Mr. Hamback. but that £, odd money that Ive paid Mr. Barr for Interest on that Account

Cap<sup>t</sup>. Barnsley paid me in Account, the old Ballance of your Account and mine, £ 25 odd Which he told me, You had desired him to do. I thank you for remembring me. and am with the greatest Esteem,

Dear Sir,  
Your most obed Serv<sup>t</sup>

ALEX LUNAN.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup>. Lunan's. 18<sup>th</sup> feb<sup>y</sup>  
Receiv<sup>d</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> March 1762 Answ<sup>d</sup> the 30<sup>th</sup>

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CAPT. HARRY GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 39, A. L. S.]

Fort Royal in Martinico Feby 18<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Sir

I take this Opportunity with Pleasure to acquaint you of our Success and Conquest of this Island and as the Objects ~~of~~ & Aim of our Operations, before the 16<sup>th</sup> of last Month, were not of great Consequence, I shall begin with that Date, and run over the Parts of Action, with the last Capitulation signed by M<sup>r</sup> La Touches Brother

The 10<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> we landed at Case la Haye four Miles below Fort Royal Westerly, and took Possession of the Ridge of Ground of Case la Haye, with our Left extended 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  Miles from the Shore up in the Country, and seperated from the Enemy, by the large Gully of Case Navire, on the other Side of which they had Redouts and Works of several Sorts to hinder our crossing the Gully, and any Approach to the Morne Fortuissou which overlook'd & commanded Town & Citadel at about the Distance at nearest of 1200 Yds. From the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> was spent in occupying posts, & in endeavoring to cross the great Ravine of Case Navire by our left, & to come on the flank & rear of the Enemy's works which defended the Morne Fortuissou This having been found impracticable as the Enemy had drawn part of their force cast up works, & brought Guns to defend the passage, which was intself very strong. Batteries of Cannon & mortars were erected on the nearest Ground to the Enemy in the Center to cover the Ascent of the Troops in attacking the Enemys Retrenchment & redouts that were nearest to us The Batteries fired the 22<sup>nd</sup> afternoon & continued briskly the 23<sup>rd</sup>: When the Troops had orders to ascend the next morning at day break. The 24<sup>th</sup> the Batteries being reinforced with more pieces they began a very hot fire upon the Enemy at Day break. The Troops moved forwards and began to cross. They met with a very inconsiderable resistance from the nearest redout & works, went on bravely to the rest, and the wood where the Grenadiers were most galled by the Generals sending in the light Infantry on the left & rear, This with the appearance of Rufanes Brigade on the right of the Enemys works on the principal Ridge of the Fortuissou made them every where give way, but their

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works & the wood run in the utmost Confusion towards the Town whither they were pursued by the light Infantry and Grenadiers & so far that an officer of Montgomery's & Several Men were kill'd at the bridge of the Town, Several of Enemy were taken of the first distinction, Chevalier Thomasseau who commanded Marquis Capoui, Marquis Chapique the Neveu of M<sup>r</sup> La Touche and many others. As soon as the Enemy were drove away we joined some of their Redouts and fell to work that very night in making Batteries to Annoy the Citadel and hurt the defences. As the Enemy remained in possession of the Morne Grenier, a high hill where they had some large Cannon, and mortars, that commanded the Fortuissou, the Town, and all approaches to the Citadel Major Makellar and me were sent to view the posts of light Infantry & advanced Brigade (Havilands) the 26<sup>th</sup> which had been ordered on an advantageous Ground the 24<sup>th</sup>, on our left fronting the most accessible parts of the Morne Grenier. We discovered several paths & roads where we knew our troops would mount, but added the planting some Cannon as necessary to cover them in the Asscent. The General was to have viewed these posts the 27<sup>th</sup> when happened a most extra<sup>r</sup> attack of the Enemy. They had Canonaded Havilands Brigade from their first being on that Ground from Morne Grenier. But it is so accustomed to these troops that they make light of standing in such circumstances. Not satisfied with that, they took in their head to attack that Brigade in three Columns about 3 o'clock in the Afternoon of the 27<sup>th</sup>. You may believe that their number made very little impression (altho' elated by a good Dinner & an extraordinary Cup of Liqueur) for a body of 2000 such troops well posted. Their right Column, having opened their flank to Scots light Infantry who were within a small distance on the left of the Brigade were by the Officers & Men immediately attacked & routed, the rest retired. They were pursued by the troops with the utmost eagerness up Morne Grenier by every path, road or passage practicable to run walk or creep up by which put the Heroes in such a fright that they abandoned their works, Cannon heights, & passes as fast as they saw a red coat in sight. M<sup>r</sup> La Touche walk'd or run of before night, and Major Leland who had push'd on in the front with the second division of the light Troops having presented him self between 8 & 9 at night before their principal redoute, They mostly run of and he took possession of it with little loss. They in their hurry left 7 large Cannon and 2 13 Inch brass mortars unspik'd, which next morning fired agat<sup>t</sup> their Citadel. Our Batteries open'd the 29<sup>th</sup> which altho' at a great distance partl<sup>y</sup> that on the left and mount Grenier, did them so Considerable damage, that the 3<sup>rd</sup> having observed us at work on a Battery in the Town at 500 yd<sup>s</sup> distance and likewise on the Morne Capucin at 350, likewise



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taking the Guard of the Town which consists of 300 men as an Escalading party They beat the Chamads at 7 o'clock at night & sent out an officer with Lanterns. The 4<sup>th</sup> the Grenad<sup>rs</sup> took possession of the Citadel & the next day the Garrison of near 800 men of all sorts march'd out. The Regulars to be sent to France and the Milice &<sup>ca</sup> to remain Prisoners. From this affair of the 27<sup>th</sup> several districts of the Island had sent to get terms. The surrender of the Citadel convinced them all was over. Col<sup>o</sup> Scot with the light Infantry of abt 300 Men was sent to Lorient at the head of this Bay when 3 Women came out with a flag of truce & 800 Men laid down their Arms. In fact the whole were so terrified, that they regard our Men as an extraordinary Race, Confess they had no conception of such troops, curse M<sup>r</sup> La Touche & his Gren<sup>ers</sup> (who seem no real Heroes) for having engag'd them to take arms, and to pretend to fight ag<sup>t</sup> people who are so much superior to them. M<sup>r</sup> La Touche retired towards St. Pierre w<sup>t</sup> a few Troops 300 Gren<sup>rs</sup> & some of his friends w<sup>t</sup> being so inconsiderable a party the General published a Manifesto & gave them only 3 days to make their submission which if they did not in the time they were to expect no Capitulation. He did not wait the Expiration of it, but sent his Brothers to get the best terms he could. These were sign'd I think the 13<sup>th</sup> and the General & Gren<sup>rs</sup> w<sup>t</sup> the 2<sup>d</sup> Brigade embark'd for St. Pierre the 14<sup>th</sup> to take possession. Thus the famous Martinico for its Harbors fertility and healthy Climate is subjected w<sup>t</sup> the loss of about 500 men kill'd wounded & missing (the Enemy by their own Account triple the number) & his Majesty put in possession of this valuable Conquest. No considerable sickness as yet prevail in the Army altho' all encamp't no doubt to keep them so will be the object of the one in power. As long as they are in health they will more intimidate the Enemy & strike terror, than the making [Further] Conquests the keeping of which by reducing the troops will be no equivalent to the not having them fit for Action.

The Dominica Troops are in a terrible state those that remain, besides the loss of so many of them.

Whenever any thing else offers that is worthy my writing to you I will not fail, as I am w<sup>t</sup> Truth

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> & most hum<sup>ble</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

HARRY GORDON

[Endorsed] Capt. Gordon dated Martinico 18<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> Received the 29<sup>th</sup> April 1762 Answered the 20<sup>th</sup> May.



(February 19, 1762)

ENSIGN H. C. PAULI TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 41, A. L. S.]

Fort Sandusky febr. y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

Inclos'd is the astract of the Provision from this Post, it Showes a good deal of the quantitait Vinison Damaged and Short in weight wich the outmost care taken, could not prevent; M<sup>r</sup> Teaf who was to bring Salt to this Post has left it behind at Duscoraro he arrived here but yesterday.

Nodding Extraordinary Since M<sup>r</sup> Meyer left this, Some of the Indians here about Shows a little Discondent about the Block-hous being erected, one in Specil who is a head of Coonuduth Town, tells he'll have it burnt in the Spring, when hounders comes home, but as I am inform'd all the rest of the Nations are very quit and the most of the young men hereabouts are gone to ware against the Cherrkees I thinck nodding but being nonsense about it the Colonel will be so kind and give me direction how to behave to this pueble in case the Should offer Insolence there has been nodding else but civility Showed to them.

The detagement are all well Exept 2 Men are truplet with an illness but not hindern them from doing their Duty, I hav wrought to M<sup>r</sup> Potts to get Some thing for their frens from the Doctor.

I have taken from Philip Boyl March<sup>t</sup> 20 &. 12. S. 6: p: Pens<sup>l</sup> currency for wich I have given him a recept to trow it again at Pittsbourg and pay'd the, detagement of 1 Serj<sup>t</sup> 1 corpl<sup>l</sup> and 14 Private eight weecks Subsistance from the 26<sup>th</sup> of Dec: 61. to the 19<sup>th</sup> Febr: inclusive

Sir

I am

Your most obedient Humble Servant

H. C. PAULI En<sup>s</sup>

Colonel Bouquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Pauly 19<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup>  
Received the 3<sup>d</sup> March 1762 Answered the 5<sup>th</sup>

(February 20, 1762)

ARTHUR HAMILTON TO GENERAL ROBERT MONCKTON

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 42, A. L. S.]

[Ligonier, Feb. 20, 1762.]

Sir.

I was yesterday honour'd with your letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> Instant, by which I find you are Apprehensive, the letters you were pleased to send by me in September last, have not reached the General, And should it prove so, it would give me very great uneasiness, but I have good reason to imagine the were forwarded with great care and dispatch, for immediately on my arrival in Philadelphia I waited of M<sup>r</sup> Adam Hoops, to whom I deliver'd not only your letters but all others for New York, to which Place he assured me he would certainly forward them next morning, which I fancy he did do, for I saw him sever<sup>l</sup> times in Town afterwards, nor did he mention the least syllable of there having miscarried.

As I have this day wrote him, I make no doubt sir you will receive, by the next Express, A satisfactory Account from him, relative to thier having been conveyed safe as directed, which will give infinite pleasure to,

Sir

Your most Ob<sup>t</sup> hum. Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARTHUR HAMILTON

Ligonier 20<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1762.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton 20<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1762 upon the Accounts & Vouchers Sent by him to General Monckton in Sept<sup>r</sup> 1761.

(February 24, 1762)

CAPT. JOHN SCHLOSSER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 45, A. L. S.]

Presqu'Isle Febr: 24<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir!

I receved the Favour of yours of the 5<sup>th</sup> Jan. on the 10<sup>th</sup> February, I am very glad that your ordres are So Conform the my Preceding, then as I could not Stay for your ordres with beginning Some Thing, & my Ideas being not contrary to the Defence, I Setted imediatly to worck, to cut in Windows in each Room, & to Shutt up the openings with shutters 6 Inches thick, which I had ready with the hitches Hoocks &c before I begun, but I would not speeck of in my Letters out fear to be desaprouved, after that I Sendet for Grass to the Island & mixing with Clay, I shutted up the long Loopholes in such a menner, that it Kipt of the bat Weather, & could still serve for the Defence in poushing it out with the Barrels of the Firelocks or Some Thing else. I have also buld immediately a lettel Bett Chamber behind the House who was buld by you, over which I found means to lay a Floor; M<sup>r</sup> Dow's & Vanhulstes Houses, were cross'd with Timber above, & leyd with Clapboards, charged with Grass & Clay mixd, all this we payd we self the men for, but ~~Since~~ as to the soldiers, I could not mend the uper foor, by which they have souffered some what & do so yet, but since your orders, I have sett the Carpenters, Axmen & Sawers to worck, they allready fall'd 14 Threes & squard some of them, they are obligd to leave of for the batnes of the Weather, till it changes again; so soon I have Somme board a littel seasond, I shall ley the Floors over the 3 Bastions, they want no lining with Bricks, neither on the in nor outseyde, I shall cork the smal Intervalls of the Loggs, with such thing as Necessity can Suggest me, only some Glass would be usefull I thinck, ~~the~~ to macke the 6 Window's of the officers, 36 Pan's would be enough for them all. This done I shall reise to uper & lower floors, fill the Bodem of the Lower with Gravel, & after Plancks are planed on the seydes, I shall ley first the Lower & then the uper Floor, so far as the seasond Plancks will reach, the remainder I shall cover with a Sufficient Quantity new ones, & let them season enough Before I let them neilfast, which can be

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donne in Some time in the Somer; when the sawyers, can founrinish Bords & the time will permit, I will also ley a floor over the uper Rooms, but to this or a part of it a great deal Neils will be required: I shall also wreit with the 1<sup>st</sup> opportunity to Major Walters for Some Lime as I know, there is some at littel Niagara, the four Hearths of the uper Chimnys with their arches being Sunck, & some Bricks fallen out, the ovens wanting mending, I can repair it all when I have Lime who is better a great Deal as Clay, & some Bricks which we must make we Selves, no Tabel nor moulds &c. has been Seen here, the Comissary told me, the Pensilvanians had bornd them, as likewise the Houses of the out Seyde of the Intrenchments, but I shall easily make new Tools for that Use. I belive I have most all the Tools required for bulding new Batt: & mending the old ones, but another Wipsaw would not be a Superfluity, as one from here with other Tools has been Send to Detroit the most part of the Tools have been incredibly neglected & ruined before my comming here; you will see by my Repport of the 24<sup>th</sup> Jan: in what Condition I am with Batteaux & that this Post can not do without at least two new Batteaux beseydes the mendet ones, wherefore a ship Carpenter with the necessary Pitch, Aucum &c: is highly necessary as soon as possible, I shall have the Boards, Knees &c: ready against their arrival; I am intendet to Send to Niagara for Provision about the 26<sup>th</sup> of April one Batteau & a ships Boad, which to gather can load about 25 Barrels (without any thing for the officers:) & requires 14 Men, all the Rest of the Batteaux & wheele-Boads are good for nothing, & I am told they are condemned allready. I have indeed neglected to mention the Mens Return from Sandusky, as their not coming back is not an article to be pass'd onder Silence in a Report being a News too important, I tought it would be understood, that they are Save back.

I Send you inclosed the Monthly Return of this Garrison with the Returns of Provisions & Tools. I wreit you nothing about the tumbling down of a great deal of the Intrenchment having done it in my precedent, I am in no doubt the Remainder of it will do the same with the first Thaw weather, I expect an antswer upon that Point, otherweis I shall see how to do best, as your Innondation at Pittsburgh, must indubitably deprive me of the assistance of Men or horses, which I have proposed to Capt: Basset We are extremly bat of with Victuals, our Porck is exceedingly bat, I can not conceive how the Men can preserve their Lives & Health as feu can eat it, no Venison of anny Kint, no Fishes & no Relief to Expect, except by the Raven which (:only in a different Case:) brought fresh meat



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to Elias, so that we can be only cured by Patience, as we are at least provided with Things enough to trinck. Please to forward the inclosed letters & to believe me to be with Respect

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

J: SCHLOSSER:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Schlosser 24<sup>th</sup> Feb.  
1762 Received 31<sup>st</sup> March Answ<sup>d</sup> the 8<sup>th</sup> april

(February 25, 1762)

CHARLES TOWNSHEND TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 47, A. L. S.]

War Office 25<sup>th</sup> February 1762

Sir

I have the pleasure to inform you that His Majesty has been pleased to promote you to the Rank of Colonel by Brevet, and I beg leave to add on my own part how sincerely I rejoice in the recollection of any little share I may be known to have had in obtaining for You this Mark of His Majesty's Sense of your Services.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient and most humble Servant.

TOWNSHEND

Col Bouquet America

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Honorable Charles Townsend  
Secretary at War February 25<sup>th</sup> 1762 Received 26<sup>th</sup> June  
Answ<sup>d</sup> the 7<sup>th</sup> July



(February 26, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 49, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuff 26<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1762

Sir

I received yours of the 22<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>. I am glad that I have this opportunity of acquainting you that there is now only one Barrel of Beef remaining in store, am afraid it will be some time before there can be any sent I shall send down a Battoe so soon as the Creek is open which I expect will be in about a fortnight or three weeks time I shall allow the men flower for there Beef, I have sent you the returns for the twenty fourth of February. You will see by the returns what quantatey of Flower there no remains in store, I sent a couple of men down to Venango which I ordered to return as soon as possible, M<sup>r</sup> Carr writes me that Burgess is gon down to Pittsburg with his Liberty therefore I have returnd him on command & likewise Mic<sup>l</sup> Long, thought it proper to acquaint you of it.

I am

Sir

Your Most<sup>t</sup> Ob<sup>t</sup>. Hum<sup>le</sup> Servan<sup>t</sup>

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Guy 26<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup>  
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ARTHUR HAMILTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 50, A. L. S.]

[Fort Ligonier, Feb. 27, 1762.]

Sir

Your favour of the 7<sup>th</sup> p the Express, I answerd y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>, but had no oppertunity of Sending it before yesterday, Imagine ~~there~~ this will Come to hand first.

Inclosed you have a return of the provision Stores the 24<sup>th</sup> Ins<sup>t</sup>

From y<sup>e</sup> time I left Fort Pitt in June last, (Agreeable to letters I rece<sup>d</sup> from the Contractors) to the 28<sup>th</sup> of November following, I never have obtained Receipts for my Rations, for that space of time, Except Sixteen Rations at Fort Bedford, on my Way down, After making the General Survey in September last.

As it is usual for the Contractors, the 25<sup>th</sup> of Every March, to have such receipts Settled, as have not been regularly signed before that time, I humbly hope and intreat Sir, you Will be so kind, as to sign the Inclosed receipts, for from the 26<sup>th</sup> of June untill the 28<sup>th</sup> of November (sixteen Rations excepted) I maintained myself, Tho' still in the Contractors Employ, And which Expence I must bear the loss of, unless you will please to allow me provisions for that time, As I neglected haveing Receipts Signed at proper dates, you will please to observe, I have Allowed 8 days in October for the 16. Rations drawn at Bedford for Self and Serv<sup>t</sup> that month. I remain, With respect.

Sir.  
Y<sup>r</sup> most Ob<sup>t</sup> hum Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARTHUR HAMILTON

Fort Ligonier 27<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1762

To Henery Boquet Esq<sup>r</sup>

[Endorsed] M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton 27<sup>th</sup> Feb answ<sup>d</sup> 2 March

(March 3, 1762)

WILLIAM PLUMSTED AND DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 51, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> March 3 1762

Sir

We have not had the Pleasure of receiveing a line from you now this long time but hope soon we may as we realy want to hear from our Good freinds att Pittsburgh and hope from this intense later frost should there come a Sudden thaw again you may not receive any damage in your Fort

Since Capt<sup>t</sup> Barnsley & Dow went from hence we have had no further Accounts from General Monckton but hope ere this he is in possession of the Island The affair of the King of Prussia's Victory over Dawn was all fictitious for which we are truly sorry as Our Wishes are for his success

We have nothing new Stirring here as there does not appear to be any arrivals either att New York or this now for near fourteen days and though the 3<sup>d</sup> of March our River full of Ice so that all Navigation is Stopt & has been so for several days

We have paid sometime since an order of M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton's that is a Vouched by you for fifty pounds in part pay for forty four bush<sup>ls</sup> Salt [dd] on accot<sup>t</sup> of the Crown last April as we have never since heard of any Order further to One William Splaun for the ball<sup>a</sup> should be glad to be in formed if itt's paid with you by which we may regulate our Charge for the same

With requesting the continuance of your favours to M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby & recommending all frugality in Our Expence to him

We are Sir  
Y<sup>r</sup> Obliged Hum<sup>l</sup> serv<sup>ts</sup>

PLUMSTED & FRANKS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & franks  
March 3<sup>d</sup> received 1<sup>st</sup> April answ<sup>d</sup> the 3<sup>d</sup> 1762

(March 3, 1762)

ADAM HOOPS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 53, A. L. S.]

phild<sup>a</sup> 3 March 1762

D<sup>r</sup>

Sir

I ad y<sup>e</sup> plesher of your faufer of 3 Fabery and in may next I hop to Be Ebel to pay M<sup>r</sup> Geralt Dept and Intrest and Lift your Bond If you think proper you may Ritt him that I will pay him In may next. I now send you prety good nues from gener<sup>l</sup> Monken and hops to son to hauef y<sup>e</sup> plesher of sendn you y<sup>e</sup> good nues of Mertennekey beien taken I hauef Resefed a letter from thomson y<sup>e</sup> taner her wants to pack my pert of y<sup>e</sup> tanyear I want to part with It But as thompson hafes the only odder opes for each Hidd and thet only for About 600 I hauef Rett to M<sup>r</sup> Ormsbey to about, y<sup>e</sup> afair and Must beg y<sup>e</sup> faufer of you to ~~to~~ allow, now for what lether Belongs to Me In Som of y<sup>e</sup> Stores

I am

D<sup>r</sup> Sir

your most obedient Humbel Servent

AD<sup>m</sup> HOOPS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> A. Hoops 3<sup>d</sup> March  
Received the 27<sup>th</sup> Answered the 30<sup>th</sup> 1762

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet at Pittsbouurg

(March 5, 1762)

WILLIAM PLUMSTED AND DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 55, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> March 5<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

Yours of the 17<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> we received and itt gives us no small pleasure to find you are satisfyed with our Conduct We have ever made itt our Study to do every thing in our power that was right and to Oblige The continuance of your favours is by us greatly esteemed & hope we may allways merit them. We have settled with Thompson & Pearis & discounted only two thousand weight from them as we had itt not in our power to do more but had this information come to us in time would have obliged them to make Good the whole We wrote you lately informing you of the Steps we had taken about the Salt and hope we shall not be disappointed in the Delivery We hope You may have given those person's you imprest for the Carriage of the Salt from Bedford full orders as to the sum they are to Receive for the Carriage otherways we shall when they call on us be att a Loss to know what to pay them

We are informed this day that a fleet of Spanish men of Warr fell in with & took two or three of ours & that all our Ships in the Spanish ports are detained We wait with impatience for the posts comeing in to know the truth of this as much more news if this be true may be expected. (if confirmed will send itt you,)

We are in hast  
Y<sup>e</sup> Most Obed<sup>t</sup> Hum<sup>l</sup> serts

PLUMSTED & FRANKS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks  
5<sup>th</sup> March 1762 Received the 27<sup>th</sup> Answered the

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[Addressed] For Coll<sup>l</sup> Henry Boquett Esq<sup>r</sup> Commandant att Pittsburgh



(March 6, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 57, A. L. S.]

Ligonier March 6<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

This night I received your favour, and return you Thanks for your information, in regard to the Waste of Provisions; I should have made no scruple in giving a proper Certificate, had I known the King was answerable for what may be destroyed by Vermin as from what I saw (for I can assure you I did not leave it unexamined into) I don't in the least doubt of the Quantity mention'd being destroyed by them.

I shall write tonight to Cap<sup>t</sup> Curry about the Canoe and shall observe your directions in regard to the Carpenter, should there be any in the Troops who come this way.

As far as I know the Indian Traders; I shall take care, that General Amhurst order, and your's be strictly complied with, but that I may act with the greater certainty, it will be necessary I should have the Names of the Indian Traders, that I may the better distinguish those who are allowed; I Should therefore be glad, you would order the Indian Manager to send me such a list.

Sir

I am most sincerely  
Your obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARCHI<sup>d</sup> BLANE

Coll<sup>l</sup> Bouquet Fort Pitt

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut Blane March 6<sup>th</sup>  
1762.

(March 9, 1762)

ARTHUR HAMILTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 58, A. L. S.]

[Fort Ligonier, March 9, 1762.]

Sir

I received your favour of the 2<sup>d</sup> Instant, and beg leave to return my sincere thanks for the signed receipts you were pleased to inclose me. I shall for the future with strictness obey your orders relative to my monthly returns. What meat has hitherto been destroyed by Vermin, I obtain'd a certifiyate for, but were drawn in such a manner, I am Apprehensive the will not Answer, of which I acquainted Lieut<sup>t</sup> Blane, when he was pleased to Sign them, but he did not chuse to sign in any other form. I hope by this time, you have received the answer I wrote, concerning the Pakett you were pleased to committ to my care in September, The man by whom I sent it, having the other day informed me he deliver'd it.

Having received a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Hoops relative to some Acct<sup>s</sup>, my books being below, And having forgot the exact sum of money the last bill was for, which you were pleased to draw in my favour on M<sup>r</sup> Nelson, for disbursments by me on Acct<sup>t</sup> of the Crown in June last, shall esteem a very great favour, if not troublesom, you will please to Acquaint Capt. Barnsley with the Amount of it.

With Due respect

I am Sir

Y<sup>r</sup> most Ob<sup>t</sup> hum. Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARTHUR HAMILTON

Fort Ligonier March 9<sup>th</sup> 1762.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton's 9<sup>th</sup> March

[Addressed] To Henery Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup> Coll. Command<sup>t</sup> Fort Pitt

(March 12, 1762)

GOV. FRANCIS FAUQUIER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 60, A. L. S.]

W<sup>m</sup>sburgh March 12<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir/

I have the pleasure to advise you that I communicated your Faver of the Feb<sup>y</sup> to his Majestys Council, who are in every respect satisfyed therewith; and have desired me to make their Sentiments known to you; which Task I undertake with great Satisfaction as they so entirely correspond with my own. You may be assured that I shall give a Certificate in Writing to any one who has a Right by patent to any Lands under Consideration and shall not fail to inform you and his Majestys Commander in chief of my having done so. The persons who can make any Right appear, will be found I apprehend to claim Lands a great deal to the Southward of Fort Pitt; it having never been ascertaind whether the Lands about that Fort are in this Colony or in Pensylvania: Tho' I imagine the Instructions all the Governors on the Continent received by the last Pacquet will adjust all these affairs by the absolute prohibition of all future Settlements, on Lands not regularly ceded to the Kings Subjects by the Indians; w<sup>ch</sup> is to be by Treaty and not by private Purchases.

I am with great Regard

S<sup>r</sup>

Y<sup>r</sup> most Obed<sup>t</sup> hum. Servant

FRAN: FAUQUIER

To Colonel Bouquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Gov<sup>r</sup> Fauquier  
12<sup>th</sup> March 1762. Received under Coll. Mercer's Cover  
the 23<sup>d</sup> May

(March 12, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 62, A. L. S.]

Ligonier March 12<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

I have caused General Amhurst's Orders, and your's, to be published, and pasted up, here, and at Stony Creek; and shall observe them to my utmost power, Yet let me do my best, they both can, and will pass me, unless you make an Example of those who for the future shall come to Fort Pitt without having their Pass signed by me, whether with, or without liquor.

The bearer is the first who has fallen a Victim ~~to~~ I should be glad to be informed if I may allow, the People upon the Communication to Supply themselves with Rum Wine &c, for should they not be allow'd, what will become of Travelers. For the present Order is so General, that, it seems to intend nothing but Water ~~should~~ to be Drank, at least effectually to prevent White People as well as Indians from any thing else; If it is so, there will be no danger of the Garrisons getting Drunk.

Sir

I am

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

ARCHI<sup>d</sup> BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Blane 12<sup>th</sup> March  
1762

[Addressed] On his Majestys Service To Coll<sup>l</sup> Bouquet R<sup>l</sup> Amer<sup>n</sup>  
Reg<sup>t</sup> Commanding at Fort Pitt

(March 14, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 63, A. L. S.]

Ligonier March 14<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

The inclosed was to have been sent by a Pack Horse Man, but he chose to go down, I referes you to it in regard to the method of supplying the Communication with Liquors.

M<sup>r</sup> Craughan having given Isaak Stimble a Licence for trading with Indians, I should be glad to know if he may be allowed, as by your former Orders I am to allow no Indian Trade at this Post

I am

Sir

Your Obed<sup>t</sup> H. Servant

ARCHIB<sup>d</sup> BLANE

Coll<sup>l</sup> Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt }

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut Blane 14<sup>th</sup> March  
1762



(March 15, 1762)

F. L. VERSELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 64, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, March 15, 1762.]

Monsieur

Dépuis que j'ay eû l'honneur de vous quitter à la Caroline j'ai fais deux voyages dans ce Paÿs Sans avoir eû le bonheur devous rencontrer. J'aurois été bien charmé Monsieur devous témoigner de vive voix la reconnoissance que je conserverai toute ma Vie pour les bontés que vous aves eû pourmoy, icy, & ala Caroline; Et sans doute que l'Interet quevous preniéz alors a ce qui me regarde, vous auroit fait apprendre avec plaisir l'heureux Succés demon Etablissement aux Isles, qui aété tel, que nonobstant plusieurs contretens occasionnés par la Guerre, j'y ai fais une fortune assés solide pour être en Etat aujourdhuy dome retirer en suisse: Et Cõme je vous regarde avec Monsieur Haldimand cõme les auteurs demon bonheur par votre Oposition amon entrée dans l'Armée, & les différents Services que vous me rendites alors; Je Serois Coupable d'Ingratitude Si Je négligrois Aucune Occasion pour vous en témoigner ma Reconnoissance; heureux Monsieur Si Je puis quelques Jours trouver des moyens plus propres que des Paroles, cerois en donner des Preuves non équivoques!

Com̃e je compte partir delanouvelle York au Com̃encement de May prochain, Si vous voules m'honorer de vos Ordres, soit pour l'Angleterre, la Hollande, ou la suisse, Soyez bien persuadé Monsieur que Je m'en aquiteray avec tout le Zèle, & les soins que vous été endroit d'attendre de moy./.

Jevoudrois bien Monsieur avoir quelques Nouvelles à vous Communiquer, dans votre Solitude tout y est Interressant, mais malgré moy Je Suis obligé dem̃en tenir à la bonne Volonté, Aurst̃e, vous avez Monsieur beaucoup moins besoin que qui que ce Soit de ces petits Secours, avec votre Aimable Philosophie & vos profonds Connoissances vous embellissé les Objets les plus Tristes, Les Bois & les Deserts prennent avec vous des formes riantes & [ . . . ] deviennent des sujets d'amusement Agréables & utiles, Les sauvages m̃emes Se ressentent j'en Suis persuadé de ces bénignes Influences

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qui découlent Si Naturellement devotre aimable société, Jemârete icy Crainte qu'un Zéle aveugle pour la Verité nem'entraîne dans une degression qui passe de beaucoup mes forces.

J'ay lhonneur detre Monsieur avec une tres Parfaite Consideration.

Monsieur  
Votre tres humble & Obeis<sup>t</sup> Sert

F H. VERSELL

Philadelphia 15 mars 1762.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Versell 15<sup>th</sup> Mars 1762. Receve 1<sup>st</sup> Avril Repondule 2<sup>d</sup> 1762

[Addressed] To The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Col<sup>n</sup> Bouquet, Esq<sup>r</sup> PittsBurgh

[TRANSLATION]

Philadelphia, March 15, 1762.

Sir:

Since I had the honor of leaving you in Carolina, I have made two trips into this country without having had the good fortune of meeting you. I should have been delighted, Sir, to testify by word of mouth to the gratitude which I shall keep all my life, for the kindness that you have shown towards me here and in Carolina; and undoubtedly the interest you then took in what concerns me would have caused you to learn with pleasure the auspicious success of my establishment at the Isles, which has been such that, in spite

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of many disappointments caused by the war, I have made a fortune substantial enough to enable me, today, to retire to Switzerland. Since I consider you, together with Mr. Haldimand, as the authors of my good fortune, by your opposition to my entry into the army, and the various services which you rendered me then, I should be guilty of ingratitude, if I neglected any occasion to prove my gratitude to you. Fortunate, Sir, if some day I can find means more suitable than words, that will give you unequivocal proof.

As I intend to leave New York the first of next May, if you wish to honour me with your orders, either for England, Holland or Switzerland, be well convinced, Sir, that I will discharge them with all the zeal and the care which you have the right to expect of me.

I should like, Sir, to have some news to impart to you; in your solitude everything is interesting. But in spite of myself, I am compelled to rest content with the good will: besides you have, Sir, much less need, whatever it be, of this petty assistance. With your amiable philosophy and your deep understanding you embellish the most dismal objects. The forest and wilderness assume, with you, cheerful forms, and [ . . . ] become the subjects of pleasant and useful diversion: even the savages feel the effects. I am convinced of these propitious powers which spring so naturally from your amiable personality. I am stopping here, fearful lest a blind zeal for the truth carry me into a digression beyond my strength.

I have the honour to be, Sir, with the most complete respect,

Sir,

Your most humble and obedient servant,

F. L. VERSELL

Philadelphia, March 15, 1762.

(March 16, 1762)

ENSIGN H. C. PAULI TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 66, A. L. S.]

Fort Sandusky March y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir:

I had the Honer to pay my respect with the last Express from Detroit, when I took oportoonity to inform the Colonel about some of the Indians uneasenis concerning the Blockhouse and the little Danger, as the most of them were gone for ware; this warriers consisted of 50 Men divided in 5 Companys, in their going to the southerd the meet a Party of the six nations 80 Strong; Intranged one of their men /:his name Conoghshacten:/ was sendet to the Party of Vindows, to inquire wether they were going to fight fair with the Southerly Indians? upon reply; yes! he extended that they better not: as the Six nations and Shownies had join'd the Southerly Indians for to stricke the English, and that the wanted the Vindows to do the same; the Party Vindows not myning them went their ways but sended one of their man back to make this known to the English Commanders: The Express then (named Kindose) an old head man from the Creek town near sandusky River named Ajenevindo, and one Erren a Mohawk deliverd this fore mentioned to me, desiring to aquint the Colonel of the same they thinck actually [feel], the Express says he Seen With the Party of the six nations Scalps and horses now taken from the English, and that they fitting out another Party of 200 men for the same purpose: lickwise the shownies having brought in a wile ago Scalps and 10 horses.

I took it to be my Duty to aquent the Colonel of this: that by inquiry may be got more sertenty.

M<sup>r</sup>. Teaff has deliverd one cask of Salt, being among his Pouder unknowing to him. Our meat turnes out verry bad mostly gone, and semes difficuld to get fresh the Deer Scins been no more good and the Indians think it not worth their wile to kill and fesch it to the gouarison, if the colonel would aprouove a Horse

Colonel Bouquet.

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for this Post Should be verry necessairy, to send to the Indians Cabines; I thinck we could buy one here from the Indians if the colonel pleases

Sir I am

Your most obedient Homble Servant

H C. PAULI En<sup>s</sup>

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Ens<sup>n</sup> Pauly  
Sandusky 16<sup>th</sup> March 1762. Received the 30<sup>th</sup> d<sup>y</sup>  
Answ<sup>d</sup> the 30<sup>th</sup>

(March 17, 1762)

ENSIGN ROBERT HOLMES TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 68, A. L. S.]

Miamis 17<sup>th</sup> March 1762.

Sir

I have the Honour to Inforam You of the Siatacion of the Guarrision of Miamis Which place I have the Honour to Command.

As for the affears of the Guarrision in Reguarde of the Stores thy are as foloth - - I have about tenn pounds of Pouder and two Barrels of flower and one Barrel and one halfe of porke I have about Seven or Eight Bushels of Indin Coarn this is the wholl of the Stoares Belonging to the Garrision and I ame informed that I Can have no Rellefe from Detroit till Leat in the Summer.

As for the Indins thy Bring In So Littel Meat that I Canot Get it as fast as the Men Requires it and what thy Bring I have to pay an Extrequant price for what I Shall Do I Canot tell. they are Contunuly tormenting me for presents. I have Goot them allwis put of with trifels as yet teling them that I had Root to the Genral in Reguarde of them but had not Recevd aney ansuer yet I Roott to m<sup>r</sup> Crohan Last fall But I have not Recevd aney ansuer yet in Reguarde to the Indins.



(March 17, 1762)

As the Garrison is without aney Suttler and one is of Service Sometimes Mr Crawfford who Leatly arived hear heth propoSed to Suplie this place Cheaper then aney other person with Liquers. I thirefore have given him Liberty to Bring a quantety he obtaning Your Liberty for So Doing and Behaving As Becometh

Aney Commands you have that is in My Power to Serve you in I ame at your Command.

Your Advice in Affears Concerning the Garrison and the Siatacion of Affears Would Ever Be Astemed by your

Most Obedant and Most Humbel Servent

ROB.<sup>t</sup> HOLMES  
En<sup>s</sup> l: B: R: A: Reg.<sup>t</sup>

To Coro.<sup>ll</sup> Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Holmes 14.<sup>th</sup> March  
Received the 7<sup>th</sup> July 1762 answ<sup>d</sup> the 9<sup>th</sup> July

[Addressed] On his Majsts Service To Coro.<sup>ll</sup> Bouquit Commanding his Majsts Garrison Fort Pitt.

(March 20, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 70, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, March 20, 1762.]

My Dear Collonel

According to your order I went to Newyork, where I Saw the Number of Bales and casks, conforme to the Invoice; it could not be possible for me to open them, as I could neither packt them up,

(March 20, 1762)

And the Store is in perfect confusion, with the rest of the Armys cloathing. I askt Sir Jeferey if I was to carry it to Philadelphia. He would gave me no orders, but told me, but to wryte you, He hinted that it would be best at Philadelphia, and that water carriage would be the easiest way, As he would give me no orders. I could not take it upon me, to doe any thing. I shall stay here and receive yours. not having the Invoice for last yeare obliged me to open eight Bales out of the Ten, to find out the Serj<sup>t</sup> and Drums Cloathing. M<sup>r</sup> Potts mentions in his return what is wanting for Fort Pitt. the number of Serts and Drums at the other Posts I do not know, but the compleat Cloathing for the 40 Serts and 20 Drums are here, I have packed up in Casks all the Cloathing which was in the Bales, and shall putt in casks the Quantity thats to be brought up. We have no News from Martinico. A Ship Arrived from Providence which brings an Account of a Packet being Arrived there from Jamaica with an Account of the Spanish Warre, And that orders were given to take and destroy all the Spanish Ships wherever they can find them. Cap<sup>t</sup> Cochrane leaves this on Munday,

I have Some garden Seeds for my Son, which if Trent will carry them, I should be glad you could order them up I am with great respect

My D<sup>r</sup> Coll/

Your very much obliged

Your most obe: & very H<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

JAMES DOW

Philad 20<sup>th</sup> March 1762 }

P. S. Coll/ Young has now given in his resignation And I wish he may live to Gett his Commission

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut.<sup>t</sup> Dow 20<sup>th</sup> March  
Received the 1<sup>st</sup> April, Answered the 1762

D haus Lakes Powder

(March 24, 1762)

CAPT. JOHN SCHLOSSER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 72, A. L. S.]

Presqu'Isle March 24<sup>th</sup> 1762.

Dear Colonel!

I received the favour of your of the 8<sup>th</sup> febr: with So much more Pleasure, as I expected none So Soon from Fort Pitt. I received likewise the Bag with Some Garden Seed, & the Advice from M<sup>r</sup> Carre, that 2000 Nails were arrived at his Post for this Garrison, for which I give my humble Thanks & hope, that Some more Seed will come up with the Wisky for the Artificers, which is the only Pay they expect for their Work conform to Your Instruction.

I send you inclosed the Monthly Return & the Return of the Stores of this Garrison, the Number of Sick you will See ingreases & I am much afraid for fluxes, when the Weather once changes, till now there is no appearance of change, the Lake is still quit frost up, the Snew very deep, & int general full Winter Weather here, which is the Reason I could not go on with Sawing bords, I Shall Set every thing a going So Soon I can.

You toll me to Sett Palissados in the bottom of the Ditch to hinder Surprizes, but then every body in the yard would be discovered to the Soles of his Shoes, /:As the ruined remainders of the Parapet must be taken away:/ therefore except you order me otherweis, I shall take only the fascines & Piquets away & born them, & plant a Row of good Palissados upon the inside Line of the former Parapet, to preserve the Shape of the Intrenchement & the most part of the Earth of the Parapet.

The Palissados Shall be 6 feet above the Horizon & 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  foot in the Bottom, leving the Earth of the Parapet on the outside of the

Colonel Bouquet

(March 24, 1762)

Palissados 3 feet thick, Sloping to the Bottom of the Ditch & throwing the remainder of the Earth upon the Contre-Escarpe in the form of a Haus, this Way will Save me a great Deal Work, in moving only a little Earth, the Palissados will be lighter & Shorter than in my former Project to Capt: Basset, the Men will be entirely covered in the Yard & behind the Palissados, their heads will be Save behind the Linteau which is fastened above the loop holes, & the little Intervals of the Palissados, will be Shut up by the Small earthen Parapet against the Shots of the Ennemys.

Capt: Basset tells me in his answer, that there was no Carpenter or other artificer at Pittsburgh, I have foreseen that & therefore took the precaution to write for one at the beginning of Xber, to give time that one can come up, or to be entirely refused, but I Suppose he has not told you that Article of his Lettre, & it can be he has not known, that you had promised me one. I know not how to do without, I can direct the building of it, but not make the Work with my hands, nor can I do it without Pitch, Oakham & C & that one batteau /:when mendet:/ with the little Ships boat can not furnish us with Sufficient Provision for 69 Rations per Day & when it was allways going.

Doctor Vanhulst is very much obliged to you, to have not forgot him, he desires me to be remembered to you as also M<sup>r</sup> Dow.

I am with Respect

Dear Colonel

Your most obedient humble Servant

J. SCHLOSSER. Capt: 1<sup>st</sup> B.

R. A. R.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Schlosser March 24<sup>th</sup>  
1762

(March 25, 1762)

ARTHUR HAMILTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 74, A. L. S.]

[Ligonier, March 25, 1762.]

Sir.

Your favour of the 21<sup>st</sup> Instant, was deliverd me by M<sup>r</sup> Fournier, who has chose out a number of Hydes, and intends being up again in two or three weeks in order to take them from hence, At which time Shall the liberty to let you know how many he purchases & the Price, he is to pay for each hyde.

Inclosed you have a return of the provisions that will remain in Store at Weatherholts post the 26<sup>th</sup> Inst. Also the same at this Post. The meat I am very Certain of, having Weighed the Whole.

I am with respect.

Sir

Yr. most Ob<sup>t</sup> hum. Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARTHUR HAMILTON

Ligonier 25<sup>th</sup> March 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton 25<sup>th</sup> March  
Answered the 30<sup>th</sup> 1762

NB. Returns to R D. C.

[Addressed] To Henery Boquet Esq<sup>r</sup>



(March 27, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 76, A. L. S.]

Philad. 27. March. 1762

Dear Sir.

I have not had the pleasure of hearing from you, since mine some days ago by James Ennes the Express.

The bearer Mr. Vandervelden goes to Joyn his partner M<sup>r</sup> Hamback and it would serve them both greatlie, Could it be so Contrived for them as to have their skins returnd in the Boats that carry up the Kings stores, or the provisions. This he says, Cap<sup>t</sup> Campbell would readily grant Did he think it would be agreeable to you. If such a thing can be done with out any Inconveniencies or Reflection: but on no acco<sup>t</sup> if you think it Cannot: I have sent down to Niagara. But of this, Mr. Vandervelden will inform you better than I can write on this head.

All friends here are well, A M. Vazzull Sett out this day for NewYork. I Wish You Joy of the great News of the surrender of Martinico. I inclose You, no less a present than Science, Which tho so immenslly Valueable, did not cost me three old pennys. You see what a Happiness it is, to live so near the feet of the Muses. Our friend S<sup>r</sup> John is married to Miss Moland, We shal be left in the Lurch. Believe me.

Dear Sir.

Your most obed. hble Serv.<sup>t</sup>

ALEX<sup>r</sup> LUNAN

bad scroll this You'll need a Decyphyser now.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Lunan 27<sup>th</sup> March  
Received the 18<sup>th</sup> April 1762. by M<sup>r</sup> Vandervelden  
answ<sup>d</sup> the

(March 29, 1762)

LIEUT. STAIR CAMPBELL CARRE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 78, A. L. S.]

Venango March 29<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

I received your favour of the 8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> agreeable to your orders have sent four men to bring up the Clothing; the River is now breaking up & by the time they get down will /I imagine/ be fit for Batteaux.

M<sup>r</sup> Guy informs me that he is out of Beef & that he will send his Batteau for a Load when French Creek is open, & When it arrives I shall send him as much as can be spared from this Post, & a Barrel of Powder.

I don't expect to get much more Venison as most of the Indians will now give over hunting, but shall continue to buy what small quantitys may come in, as otherways Our Stock of Meat (after supplying Le Boeuf) will be very low, before any can arrive from Fort Pitt.

As the Rising of the Creeks wou'd prevent the Party from proceeding by land I have sent them by water; the Batteau is unfit for further service & not worth repairing.

Inclosed are the Monthly Returns of Feby & March.

One of Lt<sup>t</sup> Guys men who was Frost-bit in coming down has been here these three weeks, he is recovering & will be soon able to return to his Post.

I am Sir

Your most Obedient & most H'ble Servant

S. C. CARRE

P. S. I took the liberty of feeding my Cow upon some of the Damaged flour, which I hope will not be disagreeable to you, as it cou'd be put to no other use, & she must otherways have Starved

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Carre 29<sup>th</sup> March  
1762 Answ.<sup>d</sup> the 8<sup>th</sup> April 1762

(March 29, 1762)

CAPT. JAMES YOUNG TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 79, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, March 29, 1762.]

Dear Sir

Our Asembly adjourn'd last week After Voting 1000 Men, but as the Gov<sup>r</sup> did not agree to the Supply Bill every thing remains as before till a confirmation of a Spanish War which seems to be past Doubt, for after repeated acc<sup>t</sup>s from different places, this day a Ship arriv'd from Lisbon who brings letters of good Authority that Spain Declared War the 16<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>, the Earl of Bristol came to Lisbon the 28<sup>th</sup> and was to Sail for England the 30<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> On bd the Portland Ship of War. all those intelligences concur in the certainty of a Spanish War. we very impatiently wait for a Packet with the Decleration. If we have the same success as against France we shall become a powerfull and Haughty Nation.

We have not yet Receiv'd the Capitulation of Martinique but hourly Expect it. I inclose you the news papers with our last Acc<sup>t</sup> from thence

Matrimony is still the fashion S<sup>r</sup> John St<sup>r</sup>clair was married the 17<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup> to Miss Eliz: Moland Daughter to the late Counsellor of that Name, An Amiable Lady of 20 years Old.

I presume that our Assembly will be called when a Pack<sup>t</sup> Arrives, when we raise Men I shall take particular care to follow the caution you gave me in your last favor.

Doctor Graeme & Family desire their respectfull Compliments, Sincerely wishing you an agreeable Summer I am with great Esteem

D<sup>r</sup> Sir

your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

JAS YOUNG

Col<sup>l</sup> Bouquet

Philad<sup>e</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> March 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Young 29<sup>th</sup> March 1762

(April 1, 1762)

SERG. ANGUS MCDONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 81, A. L. S.]

Fort Burd April 1<sup>st</sup> 1762

Honoured Colonel /

I have Just now Recived a letter from Col<sup>o</sup> Stephen Certifying that the Reg<sup>t</sup> is Broke but No word of any pay or Clothing for those men on this Communication he tells me he will Speak to the Differant officers to send the pay, I am afraid we Shall Come off loosers as the money is to be Collected from the Squandered persons: I have 14 men and the least of them has 12 months pay due and some 17 Beside two months Pay that is in my hand. They are Quite Bare of Clothing and is very uneasy for their pay for here is some of them that belong to the Reg<sup>t</sup> who inform them they have Recived Clothing and other Necessarys that we are Deffecent of, I would Set out to winchester but to no purpose for the Col<sup>o</sup> Sets off for williamsburg the 2<sup>d</sup> Inst. I am afraid I Shall be left alone for my men dos not pay me the same Respect they use to do and I am afraid to Correct them for Should they disart I should loose all they owe me I am informed some of the men at Cumberland is gone.

Honoured Colonel I am with Due Submission at your honours Command

ANGUS MCDONALD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serjeant MCDonald 1<sup>st</sup>  
April 1762 Answered the 2<sup>d</sup>

(April 1, 1762)

ENSIGN WILLIAM HAY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 82, A. L. S.]

Niagara 1<sup>st</sup> April 1762.

Dear Sir

I begg you would be so good as excuse y<sup>e</sup> Liberty I have taken by inclosing y<sup>e</sup> Letter for M<sup>r</sup> Stedman under Cover to you: y<sup>e</sup> reason of my doing it is, that I have y<sup>e</sup> Misfortune to loose several of my Letters to that Gentleman, by which means my friends at Home may think me very ungratefull, as they dont hear from me,

I wrote you last Year, to begg you would endeavour to get me releivd if it is Convenient, but am afraid to repeat it for fear of being too troublesome to you therefore leaves it entirely to you, y<sup>e</sup> Major & I have been on a very good footing all Winter, & I flatter myself that he with y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> Gentleman, could acquaint you of my leading a much more carefull & Sober Life this Winter than I have ever don, for sometime, & as I find y<sup>e</sup> good Effects of it hope I shall have resolution enough to follow it for a Continuance;

we have no News at this Place worth writing, but begg you would be assur'd that I really am,

D<sup>r</sup> Sir

Your most obliged & most ob<sup>t</sup> H. Serv<sup>t</sup>

W HAY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ens<sup>n</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Hay 1<sup>st</sup> April  
1762 Received the 22<sup>d</sup> May ans<sup>d</sup> the 25<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] To Colonel Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt.



(April 3, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 84, A. L. S.]

3<sup>d</sup> April 1762

Dear Sir,

Since my Last, I have not had the pleasure of hearing from any of my Friends at Pittsburg.

The Inclosed, came here the day before Yesterday by a vessell Consign'd to me from Halifax. I had also a Letter from Cap<sup>t</sup> Bentinck inclosing one from Cap<sup>t</sup> Sinclair, who was very well, as also Tuliken the 3<sup>d</sup> of March. I Wrote Ourry in my last of s<sup>r</sup> John's Marriage, and desired him to tell you.

If Cap<sup>t</sup> Barnsley has forgot me, Which I hope he has not, I must beg You'll put him in mind, for I want money Much.

I remain with much Esteem

Dear Sir:

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

ALEX<sup>r</sup> LUNAN

Ourry will send you the paper W<sup>t</sup> the Spanish Main Acct.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Lunan 3<sup>d</sup> April 1762

(April 4, 1762)

MAJOR WILLIAM WALTERS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 87, A. L. S.]

Niagara April 4<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Colonel

I take this opportunity by M<sup>r</sup> Leve a Trader to Enclose you the Monthly returns for December January February and March which I hope will come safe.

the Troops here has been very Healthy this winter we have Lost only three men two of which was Caught in a snow storm in Jan<sup>y</sup> Last coming from the post at Little Niagara to this Fort and froze to Death, and one man died that was Left here Sick belonging to Captain Campbells party. M<sup>r</sup> Leve the bearer of this is the only person that has been able to furnish us with money and some necessarys with what Little money Captain Etherington brought with him from New York, the officers Commanding Companies has given him Bills on Captain Barnsley for the money they have Received from him on account of Subsistance for their Companies and some officers has given him Bills for the money they have Drawn on account of their own Subsistance which M<sup>r</sup> Leve will Deliver to Captain Barnsley. I hear M<sup>r</sup> Leve's affairs is in a bad way therefore he is going to New York to settle with his Creditors in the best manner He can. I fear we shall meet with some Difficulty to get money to subsist our people unless Capt<sup>n</sup> Cochrane Should be able to return to his Duty and bring us a Sum of money with him. If not I fear I must be obliged to send An officer to New York for money which is runing a risk and a Long Passage back & forward; I have hard a melancholy account of your fort being over flowed in January last. I fear you have Suffered greatly at that and Season of the Year.

I wrote you by Captain Schlosser 11<sup>th</sup> oct<sup>r</sup> and Enclosed the monthly Return for Sept<sup>r</sup> I also wrote to you 21<sup>st</sup> November and Enclosed the Return for october & Novemb<sup>r</sup> which I hope you Received and will find them Quite Correct. My Compliments to the Gentlemen with you

I am Dear Colonel

Your most obedient Humble Servant

W<sup>m</sup> WALTERS

Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Major Walters April 4<sup>th</sup> 1762, Received the 24<sup>th</sup> May by M<sup>r</sup> Levy Answered the 25<sup>th</sup>

(April 6, 1762)

MAJOR JAMES LIVINGSTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 89, L. S.]

Cumberland April 6th, 1762

Sir

Since my writing and inclosing the Returns to you Three Men deserted from this Place, and went to Winchester but were sent back again by Col<sup>o</sup> Stephens, at their Return I examined them, and a Justice being come up into these Parts, he took the Depositions of Two of them, by which it will appear that one Barny Ryley was the chief Instigator of their Desertion, and is to be sent in Irons to Fort Pitt by Col<sup>o</sup> Stephens Order, I have inclosed the Two Depositions to be Evidences against him: he is the Man who has been so often encouraged by the General and You, for raising Grain at Fort Burd, no News here, I conclude

Your obedient humble Servant

JAM<sup>S</sup> LIVINGSTON  
Fort Major

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Fort Major Livingston 6<sup>th</sup> April, received the 9<sup>th</sup> d<sup>o</sup> 1762.  
Answered the

[Addressed] On his Majestys Service To Henry Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup> Colonel and Commander at Fort Pitt

(April 8, 1762)

SERG. ANGUS McDONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 91, A. L. S.]

[April 8, 1762.]

Honoured Colonel

on the 6<sup>th</sup> of Instant Some of the men from this fort went up the River about Six miles where was one Nathaniel Thomlinson and Jaccob Aron who lived in a hunting Cabben they had Bult, when those men Came in sight of the Cabben found it on fire and Saw Some Indians across the River in the S<sup>d</sup> Thomlinsons Cannoe they Call<sup>d</sup> to the Indians But they would not [ . . . ] Stock with But hide themselves from the white people; those men Came and told me & Sent some more men and got Indian peter to go and see what was Come of the men who Found them Both killed and Consum<sup>d</sup> to ashes In the Cabben this Jacob Aaron was an Indian Captive and was purchas<sup>d</sup> by M<sup>r</sup> Hugh Crawford of the Indians Thomlinson was an old man who lived about this fort they had Very good guns which I think these men killed for the sake of. I know not whither they were Scalped or not for the fire had Consumed there flesh but Could see that one of them was shot in the Breast.

I am Honoured Colonel  
Yours to Command

ANGUS McDONALD

Since writing this I Receivd a letter from Maj<sup>r</sup> Livingston Accousing Barney Rylie one of my with preswading his men to Disart and Desires I would Send him to Fort Pitt which is out of my Power till my men Arrives from fort Pitt with the Battoe

this affair has frightened the people that was settling and some has gone to the Inhabitence. I have made Complant to a head man of the Mingoos that lives at Col<sup>o</sup> Crawghans and he has sent 2 of his Indians to See who did the murder But they are not Return<sup>d</sup> as yet

McDONALD

(April 8, 1762)

with next opportunity I will let your Honour Know who plants Corn here

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serjeant M<sup>c</sup>Donald 8<sup>th</sup>  
April 1762 Receivd the 9<sup>th</sup> Answ<sup>d</sup> the

[Addressed] On his majestys Service To the Hon<sup>able</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Henry  
Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup> Commanding at Fort Pitt

(April 9, 1762)

SERG. ANGUS M<sup>c</sup>DONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 93, A. L. S.]

Fort Burd april 9<sup>th</sup> 1762

Honoured Sir

I have sent the Criminal whom Maj<sup>r</sup> Livingston Accouses with Sturing up his men to Disarte He went to winchester on his own Bussiness and there he met Col<sup>o</sup> Stephen when he was in Drink and was very Insolant to the Colonel who said nothing to him but wrote me how he had used him not knowing any thing of this affair at Cumberland I gave him Very seveare Correction as will appear. He is the only crop master at this Post so he is to be kept he will [start] the Season of Planting.

[As] Your honour [chuses] I would give in a list of the people who intend to have Corn here but I Cannot as I know not whom will stay this Mundy has put them all out of sorts But shall Let you know when they get settled. Old Brown has gone and his family and more will go when the Indians Return that went after the murderers

I am Honored Colonel at Your Command

ANGUS M<sup>c</sup>DONALD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serj<sup>t</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Donald 9<sup>th</sup> April  
answ<sup>d</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> d<sup>o</sup> 1762



(April 10, 1762)

COL. WILLIAM EYRE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET  
[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 94, A. L. S.]

Rays-Town 10<sup>th</sup> April 1762

D<sup>r</sup> Sir

I arrived here Yesterday Afternoon from F. Cumberland, and found the Road between that Place, & this, but very indifferent; I think it's about 36 Miles Distant.

The Road between that Post, & Fort Burd, is very Bad, Except 15 or 16 Miles on this Side of Red-Stone Creek, the rest of the Road I found Exceedingly out of repair: all the difference I can observe, between the Road by Red-Stone to Cumberland, And that between this Place & F: Pitt is that the former, May be made passable for Waggon, as it's in General more Level, & the Bottom hard, tho in many places Wet & very Stony. I fell into Gen. Bradocks Road on this Side of the Laurel Hill & came all the Rest of the way upon that Road to Fort Cumberland

I set off this Day for the [ ] Wishd for Land, and hope Soon to get to Philadelphia.

I suppose Capt<sup>t</sup> Basset is now on his Way here. I have Wrote to Lt<sup>t</sup> Myer And mentioned to Him that I fancy'd you Would give him orders about setting up the Palisades in the Ditch.

My Comp<sup>ts</sup> to Capt<sup>t</sup> Barnsley & the rest of the gentlemen.

I am  
D<sup>r</sup> Sir  
Y<sup>r</sup> most Obed<sup>t</sup> hum<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

WILL: EYRE

Col<sup>o</sup> Bouquet

P: S: No News yet come here of our People in the West Indies or from Any Other Quarter.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Eyre's Letter of the 10<sup>th</sup> April 1762, Receiv<sup>d</sup> the 17<sup>th</sup> Answ<sup>d</sup> the 20<sup>th</sup> May

(April 10, 1762)

COL. HENRY BOUQUET TO SERG. ANGUS McDONALD

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 96, C.]

Fort Pitt 10<sup>th</sup> April 1762.

Sir /

I received last night your Letter without date, acquainting me that the 6<sup>th</sup> Instant two Men were found killed in their hunting Cabbin about six Miles beyond your Post.

I have always strictly forbid any body Settling, out of sight of the Fort, and nobody was to hunt there about. Had you obey'd those orders you would have prevented that Crime.

I knew very well what would be the Consequence of a different conduct, as the Indians have only consented to our making a few Settlements at Redstone Creek, and no where else upon the Monongahela and Nevertheless, I see that Brown who first discovered this Murder was going eight Miles off in search of a Bottom to Plant corn tho' he knew that I would not suffer him to resettle his own Plantation for fear of what has happened. I repeat to you therefore my former orders in the strictest manner not to suffer any Persons who have my leave to raise Corn about Fort Byrd, for the support of this Place, to clear away any Ground, or Plant any thing further than two Miles at most from the Fort; and not to permit any body to hunt any where along the Monongahela, as far as you can hinder it.

And if you want wild Meat for the use of your Garrison you are to purchase it from the Indians, or I will supply you with meat from hence.

I never heard of those two Men being at Redstone Creek. How came they to hunt and settle there without leave? Take care for the future to abide close to your orders, as you will answer for the Contrary.

By the Evidences sent me from Fort Cumberland, it appears that Riley has been Guilty of inducing those Men to desert, you Will therefore send him a Prisoner to this Fort, the Deserters from Fort Cumberland have been all sent back to that Post:

If you can make any discovery concerning the Authurs of this Murder you will inform me of it, and transmit me an exact list

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of all the People who live or Settle at and in the Neighbourhood of your Post; and at what distance their Improvements are from the Fort

I am

Sir

Your humble Servant

[no signature]

P. S. You may tell the People who have my leave to Settle at Redstone that Provided they don't go beyond two Miles round the Fort, no Indians will disturb them, and they need not be afraid, If I foresaw any danger, I would tell them. I received this moment your Letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> & Riley has been delivered to the Guard, till his affair can be inquired into, which cannot be so soon as I could wish, but the Men concerned with him may still go on to Plant Corn, and all your Men should employ themselves in the same manner, as they are not to hunt any more.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Copy of orders sent to Serj<sup>t</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Donald Commanding at Fort Burd 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> April 1762

[Addressed] On his Majesty's Service To Serjant M<sup>c</sup>Donald Commanding at Fort Burd.

(April 10, 1762)

COL. HENRY BOUQUET TO MAJOR WILLIAM WALTERS

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 98, C.]

Fort Pitt 10<sup>th</sup> April 1762.

Coppy

Dear Sir

I received your Letters of the 11<sup>th</sup> October and 21<sup>st</sup> November so late last year, that I could not answer them sooner.

I hope you have weather'd this severe winter well, and shall be glad to hear it. we have suffered much, by the total want

Major Walters

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of Fresh Provisions, and Greens; the high Flood we had the 9<sup>th</sup> January, having Swept off, and spoiled our winter stores and done Considerable damages to the Fort and Magazines.

Captain Mather died the 16<sup>th</sup> March after a long Illness, Captain Barnsley is appointed to the Grenadiers; The Vacant Company is not yet Dispos'd of, I recommended to the General Ensign Jehu Hay for the Lieutenantcy if he thinks Proper to let the Preferment go in the Regiment.

Colonel Prevost is appointed Colonel Commander of the first Battalion in the room of General Stanwix, who has got the 49<sup>th</sup> Regim<sup>t</sup> Lieutenant Ralfe sells out.

Lieutenant Donnellan has been exchanged in England for Lieutenant Collins gone upon his half Pay but not Joynd yet.

Those are all the alterations in this Part of the Battalion.

The Mussicians having been allways Musterd for two men, I have been obliged to reduce them to one, from the 24<sup>th</sup> of February Therefore if we will keep them, we must give them ourselves the pay of one man each, or Discharge them.

I beg you will purpose it to the Captains with you, those here have agreed to do it the subs are not to Contribute to it. I think that one Contingent man Per Company would both Cloath and pay them till we can fall upon some method to reduce that Expence.

The Commissary General having Complained to Sir Jeffery that we had a Number of Women drawing Provision at Philadelphia Lancaster And other Places in the Settlements, while we drew for the Compliment at our respective Posts: The General has ordered me to reduce those Rations to three per Company all Included; You will please to have that order observed in your Department and if possible send me a list of such of the three Women allowed which you Chuse should Continue to draw Provisions below, deducting that number from the Rations allowed at Niagara.

The General has likewise ordered The Garrisons of Venango Le Beouf and Presqu'Isle to be reduced; In Consequence I write to Captain Schlösser to leave at his Post

	1 Sub	1 Serj <sup>t</sup>	1 Drum <sup>r</sup>	1 Corp <sup>l</sup>	& 17 privates
Le Beouf ---	1 ---	1 ---	1 ---	1 ---	11 ---
Venango ---	1 ---	1 ---	1 ---	1 ---	14 ---

And to march the overPlus to Fort Pitt. as to himself as soon as he has Settled his Company Accounts with the Paymaster, he shall



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Joyn his Company at Niagara and Captain Cochrane is to Joyne us here, where the Greatest part of his Company will be, Licutenant Dow having no great Experience should any of your Officers chuse with your leave to relieve him at Presqu"Isle I would be glad of it.

Licutenant M<sup>c</sup>Dougall will have Credit for his Account with late Doctor Millne.

The Serjeants Hatts and Corporals Knotts, Arrived safe, and when I get the Serjeants and Drummers Clothing here, shall forward your proportion.

As there was not a Sufficient Number of Gratification shoes for the whole, the General had Ordered that so many more should be bought As would Compleat Each Private only with one Pair, and then Divide the price of those Additional Shoes among the whole that every man did enjoy An Equal share of that Gratification by the reduction of the price of his own Shoes; But as they have proved so bad; you will be so good to have a Price fixed for those Shoes, and Charge the men who received them with it, and the whole will have Credit for the Amount.

I never could Make the least discovery about the Subsistence Money stole from me, nor recover any part of it.

I have wrote in the most pressing manner to the General to have the Battalion relieved from this Department and begged his Orders Concerning the Great number of our men Intitled to their Discharges But from the actual state of affairs, I have very small hopes of Any Alteration for this year.

We have no news from Europe, or Martinico; a Spanish War was Expected; I hope it will blow over.

I Desired Captain Schlosser to informe you what Quaintity of Proviissions would be wanted for the Present Garrison of Presqu" Isle to compleat their Store to the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1763 and as they cannot well spare Men to fetch them you will be so good to forward them from Niagara. My Best Compliments to the Gentlemen with you.

I am

Dear Sir

Your most obedient Humble Servant

[no signature]

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] To Major Walters 10<sup>th</sup>  
April 1762



(April 13, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 100, A. L. S.]

Le Bauff 13<sup>th</sup> April 1762

Sir

I received the favour of your last of the 8<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup>. I have sent you the returns for the 24<sup>th</sup> of March, there is now remaining in store onley five Barrels of Flower which you will see by the returns. Shall send off to morrow a Serj<sup>t</sup> & four men with a Battoe to Venango for Provisions shoud have sent down befor now if the weather woud have permitted to send down but the Creek opened onley three Days ago. Shoud be glad if you woud send up some Kettles for the men the have not one that is fit to Boil there Meat in & some Axes here is only two in the Garrison that is fit for eany thing.

I am

Sir

Your Most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humb<sup>le</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut.<sup>t</sup> Guy April 13<sup>th</sup> 1762

Kettles

(April 13, 1762)

ARTHUR HAMILTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 101, A. L. S.]

Fort Ligonier 13<sup>th</sup> April 1762.

Sir. /

Your favour of the 30<sup>th</sup> last month was deliver'd me by Capt. Basset on friday last the 9<sup>th</sup> Inst

(April 13, 1762)

I have been punctual since my management of the Victualing at this place, of sending M<sup>r</sup> Read the Dep<sup>t</sup> Co<sup>m</sup>missary a very correct duplicate of the monthly return of provisions I have hitherto sent you, & always by the same conveyance I sent Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks the Vouchers for my Issuings which was also monthly, And Agreable to your orders, shall carefully continue for the future so to do.

When I took charge of the provisions here, I gave my Predecessor no receipt for any certain quantity in Store, for, as the Garrison was so weakly mann'd at that time, There was not a possibility of makeing an Actual Survey, Nor, was it in my power to weigh the flour, the 25<sup>th</sup> of March last, for the very same reason, But as the other provisions, was so small a quantity in proportion to that, I weighed The Meat, And as I had mentioned it in my Return of That date, I inserted The words (Suppos'd to be) at the bottom, from an Apprehention that, otherwise you perhaps might imagine I had also weighed the flour, Which I hope you will please to Excuse, and for the future shall observe to Exclude them.

The Bags of Flour here are very much Cutt by The Ratts, and many of them damaged.

The Flour in Bulk is extreamly musty, And, I imagine, when the whole comes to be weighed, there will Appear a large quantity damaged, & a great deal to have been distroyed by the Ratts, which are Ennumerable about this Garrison.

With your Approbation, it wou'd be very Necessary, to have the quantity of flour in store Assertained, when there is a Sufficient number of Men here to give their assistance, And what is now in Bulk, put into Bags or Barrels by Which means, ~~as to~~ any time when Necessary, it will be much Easier to give it Air, Which, at present it realy seems to have much Occasion for.

The 7<sup>th</sup> Inst M<sup>r</sup> David Fournier return'd to this place, And Agreable to your letter of Credit to him The 21<sup>st</sup> of last month, have sold, and deliver'd him a number of Hydes, which were the property of M<sup>r</sup> Adam Hoops, & Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks, for which I have taken his Notes, payable to me or order, Amounting to Sixteen pounds, Seventeen Shillings, & Six pence Penns<sup>a</sup> money, And charged myself Debtor to those Gentlemen for the same.

I have had the happiness of being informed by Cap<sup>t</sup> Bassett, That, he had your Approbation to Assure me of your friendship, Which favour I am truly sensible of, & return my sincerest Thanks,

(April 13, 1762)

And hope, Sir, As I Shall make it my chiefest study to preserve it, my Conducte will always be such, as in some measure to merit a Continuance of it. With the greatest respect

I am

Sir

Your most Ob<sup>t</sup> hum Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARTHUR HAMILTON

Coll. Bouquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Hamilton 13<sup>th</sup> April  
1762. Received the 17<sup>th</sup> Answ<sup>d</sup> the

(April 15, 1762)

SERG. ANGUS McDONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 103, A. L. S.]

Fort Burd april 15<sup>th</sup> 1762

Honoured Sir

I Received your letter of 10<sup>th</sup> Inst wherein your Pleas<sup>d</sup> to Reflect on my Conduct, in Suffering those men, to Settle or to hunt hereabouts. It has been my whole Care and Study, Ever Since I have been here, to abide by and Complay with your orders in Every Circumstance and if I had any Comfort, in this life, it was, because, that it lay in my Power to Give, Satisfaction to your honour, and others of my Supperor's, and if I miss my aim I have nothing left Beside. therefor I Deserve, not the least of your displeasure for what has happened, I never took it upon me to give leave or Consent to those unfortunate men or any Body Else Either to hunt or Settle where they were Kill<sup>d</sup>

To the Honourable Col.<sup>o</sup> Bouquet

(April 15, 1762)

I Knew there was a Cabben at that Place, But never Knew any thing of Clearing ground, I often forbad them Coming to this Place upon which one of them told me that he was an Indian prisoner, and had Bought his freedom and was at liberty to go where he pleas<sup>d</sup>. I threatened to Send him to fort Pitt whereupon he betook himself to the woods and I Saw him no more for four months. the other I Drove from here last fall, and he went and Joynd himself to 2 men that had a permit, to hunt for the Officer at fort Pitt. as for Brown when he went from this Place he told me he was going to the Dunkars plantation in search of Iron he had hid before the war and had no thought of Settling from the fort.

I think its hard to be Deprived, of the liberty of haveing one man to hunt as I Can Eat no salt meat, and its But seldom we Can Buy meat of Indians

I Sent one of the Soldiers with Some Indians to the place where those men were Kill<sup>d</sup> where they found there Cannoe and all there Effects Except there Guns: those mingoes Say it is the Shannas that has Done the murder

those people who raised Corn last year has Corn to sell for 10s PF Bushall and Desire me to Enquire if it is not wanted in the Kings Store. those men on the list are not Soldiers And as for Colvin & M<sup>c</sup>mahon neither of them have got much ground Clear as yet: I Shall have Eight acres in Corn. Barney Rylie and his Companions will have twelv[e] Acres if they Can get it planted in Season

I am Honoured Sir at your Command

ANGUS M<sup>c</sup>DONALD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serjeant M<sup>c</sup>Donald 15<sup>th</sup>  
April 1762 answered the 17<sup>th</sup> d<sup>o</sup>

(April 15, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 104, A. L. S.]

15. April 1762

My Dear Sir.

As W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Alaster who lived Some Years at Fort Pitt, is gone off, in his Way down here, and owes me pretty Considerable, I must request of you my D. S<sup>r</sup> if any of the people in the Address or the Letter Inclosed, I mean P. Boyle or Millegan, Should Apply to you on my Acco<sup>t</sup> fer your Advice or assistance in any thing, I beg you'll be good enough to do them any small favour, that may not give You much trouble, as I apprehend, in the Course of getting in some Debts that are due there, they may have Occasion to Apply to you.

I hope You'll forgive me the Libertty Ive taken, Nothing but Cruell Necessity would have made me use the freedom. But as Ive received many prooffs of your friendship mademe have a recourse to you in this Spirit.

I fancy You'll want a Decyphyrer to this, but I can't help it. Am much hurried, but still very truly,

D<sup>r</sup> Coll<sup>d</sup>  
Your most obed Serv<sup>t</sup>

ALEX: LUNAN

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Lunan 15<sup>th</sup> April 1762.  
Receiv<sup>d</sup> only the 24<sup>th</sup> ~~March~~ May Answ<sup>d</sup> the



(April 16, 1762)

LIEUT. STAIR CAMPBELL CARRE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 106, A. L. S.]

Venango April 16<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

I received yesterday your favour of the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. & immediately forwarded the Letters to Le Boeuf & Presqu'isle. Lt Guys Batteau is come down & will set off tomorrow morning with 4 Barrels of Beef 3 of Flour & A Barrell of Powder.

I wrote Mr Ormsby by last opportunity concerning the Venison Account but he did not answer my Letter; I now inclose it amounting to £ 27. 14. 4 Penn<sup>d</sup> Curr<sup>y</sup> As Mr Patterson who paid the Indians does not go down by Pittsburg it woud be very agreeable to him if the Money or a Bill on Philadelphia could be sent up by Lt Gordon.

I am also indebted to Mr Patterson about £3 for Necessaries furnished to the Detachm<sup>t</sup> during the winter, but I have money enough to Pay that & can have it settled when I come down.

The Order concerning Spiritous Liquors shall be strictly observed.

I am Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> & most Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

S. C. CARRE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. ~~Guy~~<sup>t</sup> Carre April  
16<sup>th</sup> 1762

(April 19, 1762)

CAPT. GAVIN COCHRANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 107, A. L. S.]

New York April 19<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Sir

Last Saturday One of my Servants took up John Pritchard who deserted from Capt Schlosser's Company at Fort Edward, he is sent to Jayl. I reported it to Sir Jeffery Amherst. I shall pay 20 sh to the man that took him. Joseph Holdstock the deserter from my Company, who Surrendered himself & was pardoned, was taken up for theft whilst I was at Philadelphia & whipt through the town. I thought it a disgrace to have him & Applied to Sir Jeffery to have him turned About his business but he said it would be A bad precedent. I thought it best he should remain in Jayl till he is sent to the Reg<sup>t</sup> that he may do no more mischief. my compliments to All friends At Pittsburg. I am sorry for poor Mather's death.

I am,

Dear Sir,

your most Obed<sup>t</sup> huble Serv<sup>t</sup>

GAVIN COCHRANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Cochrane April 19<sup>th</sup>  
Receivd May 16<sup>th</sup> answered the 24<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] To Colonel Bouquet Pittsburg

(April 21, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 113, A. L. S.]

Ligonier April 21.<sup>st</sup> 1762

Sir

I have received both your favours of the 16<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Ins<sup>t</sup>  
I can assure you no person can be more affected than I, at any  
misfortune's befalling a Soldier Sheller is the first of the kind

(April 21, 1762)

ever happened me, for that of Rodgers was received at the fireside cooking his Victuals, and I must also beg leave to inform you that Sheller's misfortune, was not owing to his ignorance of what he was employed in; it being what he was brought up to, nor indeed, I scarce ever saw a better Axe-Man.

The three Men you Mention are arived, and I have sent Roberts of the Gen<sup>l</sup>'s Comp<sup>y</sup> to F: Pitt agreeable to your orders.

It surprises me to find so many People have lately left Fort Pitt, without Passes, none having passed this without my seeing them: M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby's Store keeper excepted, who should not have been allowed, had he not shewn me a Letter from you to Cap<sup>t</sup> Ourry, however I frightened him, tho' I believe M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby to be most culpable, He being to all appearance an ignorant Creature.

I with pleasure dispen<sup>c</sup>e with the Carpenter and all my ether repairs, Improvements, and Profits, upon so good & so agreeable a prospect, but I hope it wont turn out as the 1759, when I was most terribly dissappointed.

If any of the Sutlers disobey the Gener<sup>l</sup> Orders, it is quite unknown to me, nor can I think any have, but should they, I will take care to inform you of it. The Day the Gener<sup>l</sup> orders against bringing up Licquors came here, a Country Man happened to bring some up. I allowed him to Store it up, till he should go down the Country and return, which when he did, (there being but four loads,) I allowed a Suttler of this place, who was quite out to purchase it as I did not imagine, that so circumstanced, it could be disagreeable to you.

I hope you have been as lucky in finding your Horse, as I, for indeed I never either lost, or thought I had lost him.

I am most sincerely

Sir

Your most H. Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARCHID<sup>d</sup> BLANE

P. S. M<sup>r</sup> Boo<sup>c</sup>her did not pass this Post.

A: B:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Blane 21<sup>st</sup> Apr.  
Answ<sup>d</sup> the 30<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] On his Majesty's Service To Col<sup>l</sup> Bouquet Commanding at  
Fort Pitt

(April 21, 1762)

AUSTIN, LAURENS AND APPLEBY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 109, A. L. S.]\*

Charles Town So Carolina. 21 April 1762

Col<sup>o</sup> Henry Bouquet

Sir.

Your favour of the 5<sup>th</sup> October came to our hands a few days after the death of M<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Fesch, it therefore was not in our power to deliver him your inclosd Letter which is returned herewith. before M<sup>r</sup> Fesch's death, M<sup>r</sup> Raper had received Letters of Attorney complete, from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Guinands but they could not come to an amicable settlement & Lawyers were employd on both sides to bring the matter before the Court of Chancery.

M<sup>rs</sup> Fesch too, who qualified as Executrix of her Husbands Will shewd a disposition to contend & its but very lately that they have come to a compromise, by engaging to pay all the debts of M<sup>r</sup> Fesch, & to give M<sup>rs</sup> Fesch £ 250 St<sup>g</sup> & her Household Furniture, in consideration of which she will surrender the Estate.

These Terms you will doubtless think very unreasonable but we believe were the best that could be obtained from the unsettled situation of your concern, which on your part was certainly a very great oversight.

We remain with great respect

Sir

Your most obedient Servants

AUSTIN LAURENS & APPLEBY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mess<sup>rs</sup> Austin Laurens C<sup>o</sup>  
21<sup>st</sup> April 1762 Received May 16<sup>th</sup> Answ<sup>d</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> Aug

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\* There is a copy at f. 111, not reproduced.

(April 22, 1762)

ACT FOR NATURALIZATION: COL. HENRY BOUQUET AND FREDERICK VICTOR

[B. H., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 115, D.]

An Act for the Naturalization of Colonel HENRY BOUQUET,  
and FREDERICK VICTOR.

I. WHEREAS Lieutenant Colonel Henry Bouquet, whom our most gracious Sovereign hath, by his Commission, been pleased to appoint an Officer in His Majesty's Sixtieth or Royal-American Regiment, and Frederick Victor, of the City of Annapolis, Gentleman, being both of them Foreigners of the Protestant or Reformed Religion, have, by their several Petitions to this General Assembly, expressed their earnest Desire to be made Partakers of the Immunities and Privileges which His Majesty's natural born Subjects of this Province are entitled to and enjoy, and have also made it appear to the Satisfaction of this Assembly, that they have respectively taken the several Oaths to the Government:

II. BE it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the said Henry Bouquet, and Frederick Victor, shall, and they are hereby declared and adjudged able, to all Intents, Constructions, and Purposes, whatsoever, to demand, take, have, retain, and enjoy, any Privileges and Immunities belonging to, or enjoyed by, His Majesty's liege People and natural Subjects of this Province; and they the said Henry Bouquet, and Frederick Victor, are hereby qualified and enabled to purchase, have, hold and enjoy, any Lands and Tenements, or other Hereditaments, within this Province, and to prosecute, maintain and defend, any Action or Actions, Real and Personal, in any of His Lordship's Courts of Record of this Province, and to have, hold and enjoy, all the Privileges and Freedoms whatsoever, that any of His Majesty's natural born Subjects of this Province may or can have, challenge or demand; any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary, notwithstanding.

April 22, 1762.

Read and Assented to by the  
Lower House of Assembly.

Signed per Order,  
F. A. THOMAS, Cl. Lo. Ho.

April 22, 1762.

Read and Assented to by the  
Upper House of Assembly.

Signed per Order,  
J. ROSS, Cl. Up. Ho.

On Behalf of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of  
this Province, I WILL THIS BE A LAW.

HOR<sup>O</sup> SHARPE.



(April 24, 1762)

EDWARD SMYTH TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 116, A. L. S.]

Presqu'Isle 24<sup>th</sup> April 1762

Honoured Sir

In obedience to your Orders by M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby I have made out & inclosed my Account as Issuer of Provision from the Time I left Fort Pitt to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant. The rate of my Pay I rest intirely upon your self, and humbly hope in consideration of the hardships I have laboured under for want of necessaries & the extravagant rates I am obliged to pay for every thing I get, that You would please to allow me the same pay M<sup>r</sup> C<sup>re</sup> Blair has at Venango, which I am persuaded I should have received had I continued at Fort Pitt. As during my stay at this Post I have unavoidably contracted many Debts I should esteem it a particular mark of your Favour if you would please to advance me one Hundred pounds Pennsylv<sup>a</sup> Currency on Acc<sup>t</sup> of my pay to M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby, who in my name & on my account will pass his receipt for it. In hopes you will please to grant me this favour I humbly beg leave to subscribe myself with due respect.

Honour'd Sir

Your most humble and most obedient Servant

EDWARD SMYTH

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Smith Comissary at  
Presqu'Isle April 24<sup>th</sup> 1762

(April 24, 1762)

SERG. ANGUS MCDONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 117, A. L. S.]

Fort Burd april 24<sup>th</sup> 1762

Honoured Sir

yesterday I Received Some letters from winchester But no word of any pay for myself or party; nor Can I think what is meant by there Delay. my letters Inform that all the officers is left town My men heard of this and was for going off untill I Beged they would Stay till Such time as I Could inform your honour with it and that I might obtain leave and I would go in quest of there pay, and if you think well of it, I will go again to winchester or further if necessary after It you gave me orders last Spring to Keep an account of what Extraordinary work was Done here I told them your orders like-ways the Men that was Battoing Says you told them they Should be paid for there work If its your pleasure to allow them any thing its well, if not Please to tell the Bearer, from your own mouth, for they told me last night that I had Received the pay and was going to Defraud them of it. If your honour has no mind to pay them any thing I will Send the 5 £: Immediatly Col<sup>o</sup> Eyre Sent from fort Cumberland 4 Blanketts and a tent which I Shall Send by the first Conveyance

your horse went up this River this Day week But all we Could Do Could not Stop him Some of the men Knew him to be yours therefore I Sent Indian Peter after him But to no Effect he would not Be taken

I Should be glad your honour would write a few lines by me to Col<sup>o</sup> Stephen or the Governor if you think it proper for me to go

I am Honoured Sir at your Command

ANGUS MCDONALD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serj<sup>t</sup> McDonald April 24<sup>th</sup> 1762 Answ<sup>d</sup> the 27<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] On His majestys Service To The Hon<sup>able</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Henry Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup> Commanding at Fort Pitt

(April 25, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 119, A. L. S.]

Ligonier April 25<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

Inclosed I send the Monthly Returns of this Garrison and Stoney Creek.

Wednesday last a number of Horses (Ten Horses) was missing and on Saturday Morning it was plain that Indians had carried them off, as they belong'd, some to the Inhabitants, and some to pack Horse men, they, to the number of Eight, followed them upon Saturday morning, but as yet can tell you nothing of their success, none of 'em being ~~yet~~ returned. Should they not come up with them poor Stimble will be ruined

If you have plenty of Clover Seed, I should esteem it a great favour would you send me a Quart of it for the Garden Walks.

I am

Sir

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> & most H. Serv<sup>t</sup>

A BLANE

P. S. As M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton the Commissary of this Post, pretended Business, I gave him Eight Days to go to Fort Pitt & Back: I am afraid you'll all be so fond of M<sup>rs</sup> Hamilton that you wont part with her

A: B:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Blane answ<sup>d</sup>

(April 25, 1762)

GENERAL JAMES ABERCROMBY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 120, A. L. S.]

London 25<sup>th</sup> April 1762

Sir.

I take this opportunity of recommending my kinsman L<sup>t</sup> William Leslie to you who has the happiness to be under your command, which I do with the greater freedom because I have the satisfaction to learn that his behaviour has met with your approbation, the favor I am to ask at present is that he may be relieved from Missillimack at which station & at D'etroit I believe by the time this may come to your hands he has been upwards of two years. I am sensible of the difficulty's of relieving officers at these remote forts but as Stores & provisions must be sent there in the summer season, I flatter my self of obtaining this indulgence for a relation that I have a particular affection too -- which will be a favour ~~which~~ that I shall always acknowledge being with very great regard

Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servant

JAMES ABERCROMBY

To Colonel Bouquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] General Abercrombie 25<sup>th</sup>  
April 1762 Received the 14<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> ansd the 27<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>  
1763

(April 26, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 122, A. L. S.]

Detroit 26 April 1762

Sir

I had the honor to Receive your Letter of the 5 March by the Return of the Express and your Last by the Trader.

The General letter gave me great Pleasure as he has passed my accompts and sent a Warrant for the Money, he refers me to a former letter wherein I suppose he makes his remarks, which has not come to hand. He makes noe mention of Provisions, but I hope there will be some method taken to supply these Posts, better than last year. I have Sent off five Batteaux to Niagara, which is all I could rig out for want of materials to repair them,

I am sorry to hear of the sad accident, that has happened your Fort, and the loss of your Ammunition, if that had not happened, I would have applied to you for a Supply. In every Letter I write the General, I represent to him the necessity of supplying this Garrison and the other Posts with a Quantity of Ammunition, he tells me in his last [letter] he ordered Major Walters to furnish me for the Use of the Garrisons, but not to be given to Indians; I have made a demand for Twenty Barrils of Powder, &c, But I am affraid the Major will not grant my demand -- tho I think its a small Quantity considering the Garrisons, to be Supplied.

The Batteaus that wintered in the lake, are Arrived safe,

I have wrote the General that I am of opinion that it is absolutely necessary to give some Triffling Presents to the Indians at the Outposts, As our small Garrisons are at their Mercy. There is certainly noe other Method to be taken but to keep them in Good humour which I think may be done at a Small Expense. I shall continue to give some trifles to the Indian nations here, tho I am against Great Treatys and large Presents, which has not the desired Effect.

The Generals orders with Regard to Rum will have a good Effect, tho I am told there is a large Quantity of Rum left at Niagara by the Albany Traders, which I hope the Major will forbid to be sold to Indians.



(April 26, 1762)

I have inclosed Return's of the Company and Detachment.

I have had a Complaint against young Schlosser, from St. Josephs, I am affraid he never will doe in that Command, it requires Judgement and Temper to Command at one of these Posts, The french Inhabitants and Indians are soe much connected that if you disoblidge ~~of~~ one of them, the other takes Part, You may beleive on his fathers account, I shall doe every Thing to safe him. If the Indians makes a Complaint against him, which they havenot yet done I shall be oblidge to releive him; and report it to the General. I am of Opinion it would be best for his Father to ask him releived under Pretence of his being with himself, however you need not mention it, to Capt Schlosser till you hear from me, when I shall know more of the Affair.

Serjeant Steiner is with Ensign Schlosser at St. Josephs; It will be impossible to releive him, at present, as I have not a Serjeant to send in his Place. I cannot spare one from this Garrison soe if you will send one from the Regiment, I shall Send him directly.

If you would mention to the General to allow us Cattel from Post Pitt, they might be sent with the Supplys for Sandusky it would be of the greatest service to us. I shall write more fully by Capt Calendar who we expect dayly, the money will be acceptable.

Sir Robert Davers is preparing to leave us to make the Tour of the Lakes.

I am heartily Sorry the news you gave me of Poor Mathers Death.

The Bearer Smith carries a little girl returned from the Indians, She was soe young when taken, that She can give noe account of herself.

I Shall ~~your~~ Send your Beaver Blanket and the Tabu de Masché by Capt Callendar

I write this day to Michill &c and shall remember your Commission.

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

(April 28, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 124, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuf 28<sup>th</sup> April 1762

Sir

I received the favour of your last of the 8<sup>th</sup> of April. You desired I woud let you know if I choose to remain here. As I cant be releivd before the begining of June, I have no objection against staying the Summer providid that I am releived in the fall before the bad weather sets in, I hope then you will not forget to have me releived you promised to releive me last Summer. M<sup>r</sup> Baillie was, I have sent down my Servant & one more man to bring up some things that I have sent for & my Servant to get Cloathed, I have nothing more particulare to write you but what Cap<sup>t</sup> Schlösser can acquaint you with I have sent you the returns for the twenty fourth of April.

I am

Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Servant

T GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieu<sup>t</sup> Guy April 28<sup>th</sup>  
1762.

(April 29, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 125, A. L. S.]

Ligonier April 29<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

This Day, four Horses from Bedford, loaded with Forrage for Fort Pitt, came here, but as they were sent by a person who goes no farther than this, I keep them till I get a safe hand, which Cap<sup>t</sup> Ourry writes me I may expect tomorrow, He also writes; you want them very much, and desires if possible they may go there sound, Ive kept two loads here, (the Horses who carryed them having their backs a good dale hurt), being afraid of making them unfit for your purpose.

Since my last I have heard nothing of Stimble or the other Horse hunters, so that I begin to be uneasy about them.

Inclosed I send you a list of what Liquors the Suttlers think they can conveniently commission at once. As Rodgers and Creighton have not as yet agree'd with any carryor, you'll pleas to send their Permitts with the Carryors Name blank, and when they get any Proper Person I shall fill it up, as I will keep them by me till then.

The Petatoes you was so good as give me for seed are entirely spoyled by the Frost, should therefore be obliged to you, would you order Clark, to send me halfe a Gallon by the first opportunity

At present I remember nothing else worth troubling with. I therefore am

Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> and most H: Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARCHI<sup>d</sup> BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup>. Blane 29<sup>th</sup> April  
answd 3<sup>d</sup> May 1762

(May 1, 1762)

LIEUT. STAIR CAMPBELL CARRE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 127, A. L. S.]

Venango May 1<sup>st</sup> 1762

Sir

The Bearer Serj<sup>t</sup> Saam has delivered Eight Barrels of Pork.

I send off the Batteau tomorrow to LeBoeuf, & as none of the men are acquainted with the Navigation of French Creek, I have kept one of Saam's Party to Pilot them up the First time, which I hope you will approve of; The Batteau & Provisions might otherways be lost by their not knowing how to avoid the dangerous places.

Two men of my Detachm<sup>t</sup> & one of Mr Guy's who were left Sick go down with Serj<sup>t</sup> Saam

I am Sir

Your Most Ob<sup>t</sup> H<sup>ble</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

S. C. CARRE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Carre May the 1<sup>st</sup>  
1762

(May 3, 1762)

JAMES POTTER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 126, A. L. S.]

[Cumberland County, May 3, 1762.]

Honred Sir /

Charetey Obledges me to Trubell You with a Recomendation of the Berer Marey Fereich She has all ways behaved well. She had a boy of about 14 years of Eage Taken Captive the 13<sup>th</sup> of April 1758 in Companey with Richerd Beard. I Understan the boy is in the Tusqurays Town with a Indian named Apamelecho

I Need not Recommend it to you to Assist this poor wooddow woman in getting hir boy as I am Assured of your Rediness to Assist the Poor and in Doing Everey Good Offices to these that are in Destress I Bege Leve to Subscribe my Self.

Sir

your Most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humbell Servant

JAS POTTER

Cumberland County May 3<sup>d</sup> 1762

To Col<sup>l</sup> Buquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> James Potter 3<sup>d</sup> May  
1762 Received 29<sup>th</sup> d<sup>y</sup>



(May 3, 1762)

JOHN BARTRAM TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 129, A. L. S.]

May y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1762

Dear worthy friend

I received thy kind letter of february y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1762 but not by y<sup>e</sup> Gentleman whom thee mentioned that was to deliver it to me: he hath not been at my house nor I have not seen him. I went to town next day after I received y<sup>e</sup> letter to invite him to my house but he was gone to York I have here sent A list of our North American trees & shrubs as thay occurred to my memory most of which I have growing on my land but to send A list of plants of all ye species I have growing which I collected from new England to Carolina & from y<sup>e</sup> sea coast to Lake Ontaria would take up more time than I have to spare at present besides I have many plants that is so young that thair proper Characters is not so visible as to ascertain thair Genus & many that is A quite new Genus. but when I have y<sup>e</sup> pleasure of thy promised visit we will talk farther about it. in y<sup>e</sup> mean time thee may be asured that I am thy Sincear friend

JOHN BARTRAM.

- |     |                               |    |                             |
|-----|-------------------------------|----|-----------------------------|
| N 1 | Lord weimoths pine            | 16 | <del>Swamp Magnolia</del>   |
| 2   | Swamp pine                    |    | dwarf mountain Maple        |
| 3   | two & 3 leaved pine           | 17 | Mountain Magnolia deciduous |
| 4   | two leaved pine               | 18 | great evergreen Magnolia    |
| 5   | long leaved Carolina Pine     |    | of Carolina                 |
| 6   | long leaved Pinaster          | 19 | deciduous Magnolia or       |
|     | from y <sup>e</sup> mountains |    | umbrella tree Caroli        |
| 7   | Hemlock spruice               | 20 | swamp Magnolia              |
| 8   | Liviodendron                  | 21 | Chinkapin                   |
| 9   | white Ash                     | 23 | chesnut                     |
| 10  | black Ash                     | 24 | poplor leaved Birch         |
| 11  | red flowering Maple           | 25 | paper birch                 |
| 12  | Silver leaved Maple           | 26 | black sweet birch           |
| 13  | striped bark Maple            | 27 | red birch                   |
| 14  | Ash leaved Maple              | 28 | dwarf birch                 |
| 15  | Sugar Maple                   | 29 | Sasafras                    |

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|------|--|-----|--------------------------------------|
| N 30 | Benjamin   | 69  | great Champaign oak                  |
| 31   | tree Cornus  | 70  | broad leaved willow oak              |
| 32   | white berried Cornus                               | 71  | narrow leaved willow oak             |
| 33   | purple berried Cornus                              | 72  | scrubby white oak                    |
| 34   | spotted barked Cornus                              | 73  | great black oak                      |
| 35   | great round leaved viburnum                        | 74  | olive leaved oak evergreen           |
| 36   | red berried viburnum                               | 75  | evergreen oak with<br>prickle leaves |
| 37   | swamp long leaved viburnum                         | 76  | dwarf evergreen oak                  |
| 38   | tough twigged Viburnum                             | 77  | swamp oak                            |
| 39   | spiney viburnum                                    | 78  | dwarf narrow leaved oak              |
| 40   | crenated leaved Viburnum                           | 79  | narrow leaved evergreen oak          |
| 41   | tall mountain Viburnum                             | 80  | great downey Sumach                  |
| 42   | small twigged mountain<br>Viburnum                 | 81  | common smooth Sumach                 |
| 43   | broad leaved Andromeda                             | 82  | beech Sumach                         |
| 44   | Spiked andromeda                                   | 83  | great Shell bark Hicory              |
| 45   | red flowered evergreen<br>Andromeda                | 84  | lesser Shell bark Hicory             |
| 46   | white flowered evergreen<br>Andromeda              | 85  | common roughleaved Hicory            |
| 47   | Sorrel tree or y <sup>e</sup> tallest<br>Andromeda | 86  | small sweet twigged Hicory           |
| 48   | tall red berried Crategus                          | 87  | balsamick Hicory                     |
| 49   | dwarf red berried Crategus                         | 88  | white Hicory or Pignut               |
| 50   | tall black berried Crategus                        | 89  | tupelo                               |
| 51   | dwarf black berried Crategus                       | 90  | water tupelo                         |
| 52   | red Cedar  | 91  | Lily quastrum                        |
| 53   | white Cedar  | 92  | great Mountain Kalmia                |
| 54   | Black mountain Quick beam                          | 93  | olive leaved Kalmia                  |
| 55   | Linden   | 94  | thime leaved Kalmia                  |
| 56   | black newfound spruice                             | 95  | our laurel or lesser Kalmia          |
| 57   | red spruice or fir                                 | 96  | Candle berry Myrtle                  |
| 58   | Mountain chesnut Oak                               | 97  | dwarf candle berrie mirtle           |
| 59   | dwarf chesnut Oak                                  | 98  | great prinos                         |
| 60   | great scarlet Oak                                  | 99  | evergreen prinos                     |
| 61   | dwarf scarlet Oak                                  | 100 | Elder                                |
| 62   | great barren Black Oak                             | 101 | der bor vito                         |
| 63   | dwarf barren Black Oak                             | 102 | clethra                              |
| 64   | white Oak  | 103 | Hea                                  |
| 65   | swamp white Oak                                    | 104 | papaw                                |
| 66   | highland spanish oak                               | 105 | chionanthus                          |
| 67   | swamp spanish Oak                                  | 106 | ceanothus                            |
| 68   | bastard Champaign Oak                              | 107 | hop horn beam                        |
|      |  | 108 | common horn beam                     |
|      |  | 109 | red buded andromeda                  |
|      |  | 110 | white spirea                         |

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N 111 purple spirea	143 scarlet Hors chesnut or Pavia
112 spirea opuli folia	144 stewartia
113 Petelia	145 ye great willow
114 Halesia	146 runing marsh willow
115 silver leaved Alder	147 dwarf willow
116 common Alder	148 great Robinia
117 large coned Alder	149 dwarf Robinia
118 Aralia spinosa	150 Hydrangia
119 Cephalanthus	151 Gleditsia
120 beech cherrie	152 great early sweet service
121 mountain cherrie	153 dwarf sweet service
122 dwarf cherrie	154 swamp sweet service
123 Kamamelis	155 parsly legged thorn
124 sweet gum or liquid Amber	156 dwarf thorn
125 boggy evergreen Andromeda	157 long leaved thorn
126 minis permum	158 ye great thorn with sweet fruite
127 Johnsonid	159 great leaved heart shaped poplor
128 great mountain Elm	160 aspin tree
129 river Elm	161 black wallnut
130 lesser tree Cornus with blue beries	162 white wallnut
131 Marah rose	163 black mulberrie
132 upland rose	164 white mulberrie
133 black Rasberie	165 red mulberrie
134 flowering Rasberie with red fruite	166 bald Cypress
135 our common hazel	167 narrow leaved candle myrtle
136 dwarf mountain Hazel	168 chymilea
137 dwarf yew	169 silver leaved bryer
138 Balm of Gilead Fir	170
139 red ever green Honeysuckel	
140 redish deciduous Honeysuckel	
141 yellowish deciduous Honey suckle	
142 great Horse chesnut or Hipcas tanum	

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] North American Trees and  
Shrubs given by M<sup>r</sup> Bartram

(May 4, 1762)

ADAM HOOPS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 131, L. S.]

Philadelphia May 4<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Sir

I had your favour of the 31<sup>st</sup> March, & am much Oblidged to you for the Trouble you have taken in my Affair with Thompson, I have Concluded to let him have them at his offer, he paying 6, or 7, pounds, which I have advanced him when he first began the Tannyard, & 2 bbl<sup>s</sup> of Oyle I have sent him, He also had Some Sheepskins which he says Nothing About, but be pleased to order M<sup>r</sup> Ormsby to take his Bond in my name, giving him the Credit Agreed at, & I will Confirm any bargain that is made with him, by your orders.

I have not Seen M<sup>r</sup> Graff as yet, his money is ready when he Calls, or Sends for it, I hope you have had the Good Newse from Martinico before now, as it is now in our Possession, but a spanish War is too true, our large Privateer which I mentioned in my last, goes on Very fast, and will be ready Against the Time Appointed.

I am Sorry to hear of your Scarcity of fresh provisions which has been Occasioned by the hardness of the winter, & y<sup>e</sup> Scarcity of fall Cattle, but, for the future, I make no doubt you'll have a sufficient Supply, Coll<sup>l</sup> Byrd is to have the Com<sup>d</sup> of the Virg<sup>a</sup> Reig<sup>t</sup> & it is alledged the will retuir you.

I am

D<sup>r</sup> S<sup>r</sup> with great Esteem  
your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Hbl<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

AD<sup>m</sup> HOOPS

P. S. I have sent you a paper

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hoops May 4<sup>th</sup> 1762.  
Received 16<sup>th</sup> Answ<sup>d</sup> the 20<sup>th</sup> d<sup>o</sup>

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Boquet In Pittsburg



(May 4, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 133, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, May 4, 1762.]

My Dear Collonel

Yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> last Ultimo I received, and I immediatly went to Newyork, and waited on his Excellency Sir Jeff: I am only sorry to inform you, that there is not the least hopes of our beeing releived, Sir Jeff: told me the cloathing for Niagara and Detroit must be sent and that I but to Send a careful person with it. I told him I had no body, but if it was agreable to him, I was willing to go, his Anser to me, that I was to write you, and obey your orders, whatever is agreable to you, shall always be agreable to me.

As the roads are now very good the waggons will sett out next week, all the way for Fort Pitt with the cloathing &c; yesterday Collonel Byrd his Lady M<sup>rs</sup> Willing and Miss Willing left this for Viriginia I could not gett your Truncks moved from that, they have been so hurried, Andit will not be in my power to gett out out your Cloaths as I have not the keys, Kelly the Shoemaker his given over Bussiness youll please Send me your Measure for he his lost the on he had,

Poor Collonel Young is gone home at last and the General positively refused him liberty to sell.

Collonel Prevost his gote the 1<sup>st</sup> Battallion Collonel Smyth the 4<sup>th</sup> and Major Smyth Oswalds Majority, Collo/ Murray of the 48<sup>th</sup> and Collo/ Vaughan are both dead at Martinico, and Several other Officers. The brave General Monckton keeps his health. My Servant came here last week, but what letters he brought was of an old date



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he being at Barbados. Its Said at Newyork, that there is on their March 1400 men from Kennedy the Independant companys are on their way from Albany to Newyork, theire is an expedition to be, but where no body knows, the Packet is expected every moment.

I delyvered your letter to Cap<sup>t</sup> Cochran who desyred his compliments to you he his been taped a Second time and is not weil recovered,

The moment the cloathing goes out of the Store to Fort Pitt, I Shall be able to give you an exact return what remains the Bales are so Broke that it is impossible for me to Send you their marks and Numbers, I would have Sent you Williams list with the court Callander, But M<sup>r</sup> Brown told me he had Sent them.

I am Sorry the carrot Seeds was neglected but Alex<sup>r</sup> assures me the were put in the casks.

Its said Major Irvine is to gett poor Mathe[rs] company, Whenever I heard of his Death I went to M<sup>rs</sup> Js Howel with Cap<sup>t</sup> Hay and Ward, And gave her my receipt for his Truncks the contents unknowm, and put them in the Store, And yours of the 17<sup>th</sup> Aprile I have received, And when ever M<sup>r</sup> Steadman comes to Town your orders Shall be obey'd. Steadman will not be home for 14 days. I Send you all the papers

I am with great respect

My Dear Collonel

Your very much obliged

Your most obe: & very Hum. Serv<sup>t</sup>

JAMES DOW

Philadelphia 4<sup>th</sup> May 1762 }

To Coll: Bouquett

(May 4, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 143, A. L. S.]\*

P. S. Since writing the within Lieu<sup>t</sup> Wellington is com'd here for his healh, Coll/ Vaughan is not dead but was so very near it, that his Cofen was made.

Your Plough Shares ~~Shares~~ &c; shall be sent next week. I have put up in one of the Casks of Cloathing Some paper for you

Basset writes you

I Sincerly am  
My D<sup>r</sup> Coll/  
Yours always

JAMES DOW

Receivd Some Carrot Seeds

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Dow 6<sup>th</sup> May 1762  
Received 16<sup>th</sup> answered the 20<sup>th</sup>

with a Small Bundle.

[Addressed] On his Majesties Service To Henry Bouquet Esquire  
Collonel Commandant of the First Batt<sup>n</sup> Royall American  
Regiment at Fort Pitt

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\* Although separated from the original letter, this postscript at f. 143 is apparently part of the preceding letter at f. 133.

(May 5, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 135, A. L. S.]

Ligonier May 5<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir:

Jacob Moris delivered me your favour of the 2<sup>d</sup> and 3<sup>d</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup>. I shall take particular care your orders be strictly given to the Sutlers you appoint to my care, and as far as I can, make them be strictly obey'd. I am extreamly glad Rodgers is got well again, and am oblidge'd to you for sending him down, but I must beg leave to acquaint you, of the kind of Men, of which my small Garrison will be composed, after sending up Armstrong, who, I must tell you, has petitioned me, if possible to keep him here. 1<sup>st</sup> Rodgers unfit for any party of fatigue, Davis improper to be entrusted upon any Duty, Shillensburg quite a little Boy, My Servant the same, Jones an unactive simple Creature; in short Sir such is my Garrison that was I to send all these five Men at once, two stout Fellows would beat the whole. I therefore hope that as my Garrison ~~are~~ is so few, that you'll at least let me have what may properly be called men; in short, I could wish, you would allow me Armstrong and take Davis in his place, for more reasons than one, for whilst he is here, and I uncapable of keeping Sentries, I can't think ~~my~~ the Stores safe. However, as Rodgers is not yet come, and I propose having some of the Flour shifted, I shall keep Armstrong till I have your Answer, when I hope you'll think the whole few enough.

I am Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> & most H: Serv<sup>t</sup>

A BLANE

P. S. Should M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton not yet have left F: Pitt, where he has already stayed near 8 days longer than I gave him leave for, I beg you'll be so good as to order him here imeadiatly

A: B:

I am glad to find the Battallion begins to gather to Fort Pitt again I hope you'll excuse me with troubling you with my Compl<sup>ts</sup> to Capt<sup>t</sup> Schlosser and Doctor Vanhulst

No account of the Mare yet

AB:

[Endorsed] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Blane May 5<sup>th</sup> 1762

[Addressed] To Col<sup>l</sup> Bouquet Commanding at Pittsburg

(May 6, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 137, A. L. S.]

Philad. 6. May. 1762

Dear sir,

Your favours of Feb<sup>y</sup>, 30: March & 6<sup>th</sup> April I had the pleasure of receiving, and for which I return You my most hearty thanks. I am now to thank You in particular, for the first of these Letters, being One of the prettiest I ever received or saw; And Which, added to a short fitt of Illness, I had about a fortnight ago, has made me think more seriously of what You was good enough to recomend to me so particularly, (I mean Matrimony) than perhaps I have ever done in all my Life. I tell You freely, if I can meet w<sup>t</sup> One that I am quite pleased with Ile marry very soon. So that I believe I shal Surprise You some of these Days, and quit this d——d wrethed Dissagreable Life of an old Bachelor. I am really Serious, as I am quite weary of it, and am determined to shake it off as soon as I am able to do it Decently.

I am very glad I hapened, as you very prettily and properly express it, to stumble on those Miserable Words in One of your Letters, as it Occasiond You to write me a Letter, that has given me more satisfaction, than perhaps any one I have ever received at any time, and for which, its not Improbable I may thank You many Years hence. But at this time, I am in a Disposition to write you, as Ive two vessells going down today, and just steale a Moment from Business to say thus far. I would not have You to Imagine sir, that all this is offered in excuse for this bad writing, for I am really greatly hurried, but could not let\*

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\* Obviously, the following incomplete letter, found at f. 85, is part of this letter.

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ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 85, A. L. S.]

[May 6, 1762.]

let slip this first Opp<sup>y</sup> of thanking you for the great pleasure Your Letter gave me, and which Ill keep by me as Sacred as the Holy Bible.

I thank You for the remembrance of my Affair with Capt<sup>t</sup> Barnsley, who remitted me the Bills You Mentiond. One of the Letters for S<sup>o</sup> Carolina, I forwarded the way of NYork. the Other from hence. Your Letter for M<sup>r</sup> Versell, I inclosed, and sent to him, directed at M<sup>rs</sup> Bevan's in NewYork, according to his Directions to M<sup>r</sup> D. Franks, in Case I should have any Letters from you for him.

Col<sup>o</sup> Byrd, Lady Bettsy, and M<sup>r</sup> Willing set off last Munday from Virginia, for the summer, But I think Bettsy returns with her Brothers after some Weeks stay. M<sup>r</sup> Willing was poorly who sett out, and I Wish he does not expect his not going to England for I don't think his Health at all well established, and am fearfull the Hot weather will give him a Relapse.

Do You ever Intend down or when. as I intend as far as Boston this summer and should be extreemly sorry to miss you. Therefore must request You'll let me know when You think off Coming if You Can read this very ill wrote and as ill worded Scrawl.

I remain with very great regard & Esteem  
My Dear Sir,  
Your most obed. hble Serv<sup>t</sup>

ALEX<sup>r</sup> LUNAN

I feel the Conscious Glow  
Glow on my glowing Cheek  
& while it glows,  
I'll give it you peepinghot.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Lunan May 6<sup>th</sup> 1762.  
Received the 16<sup>th</sup> Answered the 20<sup>th</sup> 1762.



(May 6, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS BASSET TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 139, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia 6<sup>th</sup> May 1762

Dear Sir

I have this Minute received a Packet from Colonel Eyre in Expectation of which I deferred writing to you: He tells me I must go ~~de~~ back to Pittsburgh though little or nothing will be done there, no Provincials being to be sent up, nor any further Expences to be incurred, save such as arise from setting up the Pickets thrown down by the Flood, and the making of Bricks which he orders to be continued. Meyer, he says, is ordered from Fort Pitt but whether upwards or downwards I know not; I wish it may be to receive the Reward of his long Services, but hope he will not think of leaving you till he has finished his Survey and made a fair Copy of it as Col: Eyre seems to be very anxious about it.

Just before the Receipt of the General's orders I wrote for Leave to go to Shrewsbury for my Health which I dare say will not be granted, so that you may expect to see me soon on the pleasant Banks of the Ohio. I got a violent Cold coming down slap on the Back of the other which having carried the Out-Works this easily ~~got~~ took Possession of the Citadel, my Breast, from whence I have not yet been able to dislodge it: Without a Metaphor it is the most troublesome Companion I ever yet entertained

Your things are all ready and will set out in a few Days. I almost got drunk this Morning in tasting about a dozen Casks of Wine for you, and though there is none of the oldest Maderia in Philadel<sup>a</sup> I hope I have pitched upon some that will not displease you. As I found the Roads very good and am told it ruins Madeira to put it in small Kegs I shall engage Waggon to carry up all our Stores the Expence of which I have some Hopes the General will defray. I wish you could spare three or four Men to cut away the Trees fallen across the Road and repair the Bridges between F: Pitt and Bedford; the Waggon will then meet with no Impediment.

Your Shoemaker has made his Fortune retired from Business and lost the Measure of your Foot which you will please to send inclosed in your next.

(May 6, 1762)

The Plough Shares and Plates shall attend you as soon as possible.

We have no News from Martinique, or elsewhere, but what you will see in the Papers, tho' I cannot help thinking General Monckton and Gordon will soon be here, as a General of superior Rank is supposed to be now in the West Indies; I mean Lord Albemarle.

Shippen has given me some Seeds he brought from Italy which I have inclosed: The [h]olly Flower he says should not be sown till August unless you had a hot-bed for it.

I am afraid I shall forget to tell you something, the Express waiting for my Letter, but I flatter myself I shall not neglect or omit any of your Commands.

I have seen Sir John and his Lady but had only Time to beg Leave to wait upon them at Belleville.

M<sup>rs</sup> Ritchie begs her Compliments and will be glad to present you with a Willow and a Dish of Coffee whenever you please to make your Appearance among Christians.

I think I have given you Business enough in Return for you Wit: If you expected to have been repaid in Kind you should have taken Care that M<sup>r</sup> Eyre should have sent me better News.

I am very sorry to hear the Garrison is so sickly; please to make my Compliments to all the Gentlemen and tell them if every Man would provide himself with a Crab for a Bedfellow there would be no Danger of the Spleen or the Vapours

I am,  
Dear Sir,  
with great Esteem,  
Your most Obedient humble Servant

T BASSET

Colonel Bouquet

(May 6, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 141, A. L. S.]

Ligonier May 7 6<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir

In my Letter of yesterday, sent by Leatherman, I omitted acquainting you, that there was no Forrage Issued last Winter to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Thomson and Paris.

I am sorry for the Poor People of Carolina who are now the Prisoners of the French and Spaniards, as Ourry informs by a Letter I receiv'd last Night. By Doctor Boyd, I understand Hamilton proposes staying at Fort Pitt till he hears from the Contractors, but as his Conduct towards me in so doing, is very unkind, If you please, you may make him easy upon that Head, as I shall, as soon after his coming here as he pleases, or can wish, (after settling his Employers Affairs) give him leave to go where or when he pleases. So I must again repeat it, that he must come down imeadiatly.

I am Sir  
Your Obed<sup>t</sup> H. Serv<sup>t</sup>

A BLANE

Keckiuscang has taken up the Mare, and carried her to Clapham's, and I have ordered Troop to send for her and carry her to you

A: B:

[Endorsed] Lieut. Blane 6<sup>th</sup> May answ<sup>d</sup> the 10<sup>th</sup>

Jacob Leatherman will deliver the bearer Col<sup>l</sup> Bouquet's Letter

A BLANE

[Figures in Col. Bouquet's handwriting]

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[Addressed] On his Majesty's Service To Col<sup>l</sup> Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt

(May 7, 1762)

MAJOR WILLIAM WALTERS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 144, A. L. S.]

Niagara may 7<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Colonel

I am to Acknowledge Your Letter Dated the 10<sup>th</sup> April which came to hand the 5<sup>th</sup> Inst. We have been very Healthy this winter but have Lost four men two of which was froze to Death coming from the post at Little Niagara to this Garrison in January Last and two men who Drown'd the 24<sup>th</sup> april that had been out with a working party and one man died that was Left here sick belonging to Captain Campbells Command.

I am very Sorry for your Sufferings this winter I was much affraid it would have been very great after I had hard that your Fort had been under water at that bad Season of the year. I am sorry for poor Captain Mathers Death

I have proposed to Cap<sup>t</sup> Etherington to allow one contingent man for to support the Musicians which he agrees to as I do also, I have Enquired of the officers commanding Company. If they have any women below that they have order'd any Commissary to give provisions to, they all say they have not. I never knew that any woman was allowed provision but such that was with the Regiment and I have always allowed three women p<sup>r</sup> comp<sup>y</sup> to Receive provisions at this Garrison Ever since we have been reduced to Seventy; & when we was at Hundreds, I allowed four women of Each company to Receive provisions which has has been a costum in the army

I think the present number of Each Garrison of PresquIsle La Boucef & venango will be sufficient as a greater Number is much wanted both at Your Garrison and this to do the necessary work belonging to them. We have a great Dale of Labour to do with the small number of men their is at this post You Desire me to forward Some provisions to presquIsle by men of this Garrison, I can very Ill Spare any man from this Garrison from the small number we have and by sending men from hence some very necessary work must be neglected Such as carrying provision over the carrying place & Stores for compleating the vessels that was a building here Last summer I Expect carpenters & materials Every day for that purpose



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as the General writes Me that he is Determined to have the vessels finished as Early as possible that they may answer the Intent proposed Last Year which I am to give all the assistance in my power to forward this work.

the works of this fort wants a great Dale of Repairs as we have So much work to do we are Even obliged to take the men that comes of Guard Every day to do the necessary work at this post, As Presqu'Isle is now in great want of provision I have got the Batteau that the corp<sup>l</sup> brought from thence fited up with one more in the best manner I Could & have mand<sup>d</sup> one Batteau from this Garrison & have Loaded the two Batteaus with provision which I now send as it is Your Request but for the future must desire you will please to order the officer at Presqu'Isle to keep a Batteau constantly going untill that post is Completed with provision.

I shall Endavour as much as possible to get provision over the Carrying place to be ready for the Batteaus that Shall arrive from Detroit or Presqu'Isle If we are not kept Short of that article as we was Last year We have not one Batteau at this post that is fit for any use nor have we workmen or materials to build Batteaus with.

I am glad Captain Schlosser is to Return to this post the officer commanding Company, has fixed the price of the Gratification shoes at six shillings new York currency p<sup>r</sup> pair, Lieu<sup>t</sup> McDougall has Joyn'd Captain Campbell. I acquainted the officers that if any one of them had an inclination to Releive Lieu<sup>t</sup> Dow that they had my Leave, Ensign Christie being first for Command has offered his service who I shall Send by the next opportunity.

I am glad the Serjeants Hatts & corp<sup>ls</sup> Knots came safe. I am sorry you have not been able to make any Discovery about the subsistance money that was Stole from you.

I have acquainted the men at this post who is intitled to their Discharge that they must be content assuring them that General Amherst will not keep them any Longer then His Majesty's Service Absolutly requires. I have offered them a fresh Bounty.

Thomas Meares of Cap<sup>t</sup> Cochrans Company has Complained to me that he has £ 120 Due to him from his Captain telling me that they have not been Cleared ever since June 1760 which I promised I would Acquaint You with. I ordered the Troops at this post to be Cleared up to 24<sup>th</sup> December Last and the Ballance was paid to them.



(May 7, 1762)

I wrote to you by M<sup>r</sup> Leve a Trader the 4<sup>th</sup> April Last and Enclosed the monthly Returns for December January February & March which I hope will come safe & you will find correct I now Enclose the monthly Return for April. I beg my Compliments to the Gentlemen with You.

I am Dear Colonel  
Your Most Obedient Humble Servant

W<sup>m</sup> WALTERS

Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Major Walters May 7<sup>th</sup>  
Received the 24<sup>th</sup> 1762 answered the 25<sup>th</sup>

(May 13, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 148, A. L. S.]

[Venango, May 13, 1762.]

Sir

Yesterday they Came, two Soldiers Smith and Tooson, of Cap<sup>n</sup> Gordons Com<sup>y</sup> from Fort Pitt They told me, they ware Sent by you in sarch of Daves the Drum<sup>r</sup> who they belived, had lost himself, in y<sup>e</sup> Woods, That they could not finde him, when they left Fort Pitt they only Drew for three Days Provision, was four Days out, and they ware Ordered to Come to this Post If they Could not find him, they have got Six Days Provision, as they say they must be five

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Days, on the Road in Sarch of him, I Shud not have belived them, had I not known them both good Men, as they had nothing to Sho for the truth of it from any Person at Fort Pitt, there is Sume emty Barrells here that you have Order<sup>d</sup> to be Sent by the empty Battose, they are very bulkie, and will take a long time before they are got all Down If you think proper I cane take them to poses & Send you the Staves by one or two Battos, The Men in Garrison here, is in great want of necessarys ~~has~~ Sume of them has nothing left but the neck & wristbands, of there Shirts I can Ashure You, they Cut a very ode figure one Sentrey I have given them y Shirtts of Cap<sup>n</sup> Barnsley Com<sup>nd</sup> I hope youl Apruve of it, as Cap<sup>n</sup> Cockran May pay him in kind or in Money at Pittsburgh. The Batto that M<sup>r</sup> Carre Sent up with Provisions to Le Boeufe has been 11 Days gone and is not Return'd<sup>d</sup> It will take five Tripes with y<sup>e</sup> Batto or More to Complete Le Boeufe with Provisions. It requires very good hands to Mane the Batto of Mene well Acquand<sup>d</sup> with the Creek. There was two Battos last Sumer imployed, I belive it will require the Same this Yeare: Cap<sup>n</sup> Schlosser has taken M<sup>r</sup> Guys Batto with him, the other will not Swime to Carree Provisons all this I hope M<sup>r</sup> Carre has represent<sup>d</sup> to you

I am

Sir

Your Most Obedient Hum<sup>ble</sup> Sert

FRA<sup>s</sup> GORDON

Venango May 13<sup>th</sup> 1762

P: s: Since I wrote the Above the Batto is Arrayved from Le Boeufe.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt Gordon 13<sup>th</sup> May answd  
the 20<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] To Collonel Bouquet Command<sup>t</sup> at Fort Pitt.

(May 14, 1762)

ARTHUR HAMILTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 150, A. L. S.]

Ligonier 14<sup>th</sup> May 1762.

Sir.

I have this day rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks agreeable to my request of quitting Their Employ, in consequence of w<sup>ch</sup>, I shall as soon as may be leave this place for Philad<sup>a</sup>.

As you were pleased to Assure me of your friendship the day I left Fort-Pitt, Allowing me to take the liberty of acquainting you when any thing might offer, in which you could serve me, I Embrace this first opportunity of requesting the favour of a Recommendatory letter to the Governor of Penns<sup>a</sup> for a Company of those Provincials now raising, or to be raised for His Majesty's Service, On the presenting of Which I make no doubt of Success, Which shall always be Acknowledged by

Sir

Y'r. most Ob<sup>t</sup> hum. Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARTHUR HAMILTON

To Henery Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup>

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton May 14<sup>th</sup> 1762  
answered the 19<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] To Henery Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup> Coll. Commada<sup>t</sup> Fort-Pitt  
P Express

(May 14, 1762)

THOMAS COLHOON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 152, A. L. S.]

Tusquaraways y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> May 1762.

Honr<sup>d</sup> Sir

I Received Your favor By the Bearer John Martain & agreeable to Your Honours Request I have Done Every thing that Was in My Power With the Indien Chiefs to Procure the Liborty of his Chlldren. But after Sundry Consultations theyr Answer Was that the only Buisness that thay Were now Ingagd in Was Concerning the prisnors: and that thay Expected By the Next full Moon to Set off With all the prisnors to Deliver them up to the Governor. But till then thay Could Not part With any So that the Man must Content himself With the Expectation of Seeing his Children at Lancaster Which Was all the Sattisfaction thay Could Now Give him.

I am

Honr<sup>d</sup> Sir

Your Most Obledgd Serv<sup>t</sup>

THO<sup>s</sup> COLHOON

To Col<sup>l</sup> Hendery Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Cohoun Trader at  
Tuscaraways May 14<sup>th</sup> 1762

(May 15, 1762)

JOHN READ TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 153, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia 15th May 1762

Sir/.

I blush to think of the mistake I made in not inclosing the Memorandums, and beg you will please to Excuse the oversight nor was I Sencable of it till I Receiv'd yours of the 30th March

I am much Oblidg'd to you for the orders to the Issuers of Provisions to send me monthly returns, the Inclos'd is a General state taken from them

The Number of Roy<sup>l</sup> American women drawing Rations at Carlisle Lancaster & Philadelphia, I laid before General Monckton, last summer he was pleas'd to say he would inquire into that affare. I heard no more of it till the Commissary General inquiring into the particulars of this district Relating to my branch, a Copy of the now Inclos'd Memorandums he laid before General Amhurst who said he would write to you on that Subject; If Colonel Bouquet approves of it that the Issuers of Provisions at Vinango Le Beauf & StDuskey should send there accounts & Vouchers to me of the Provisions they Receive and Issue on account of the Crown, I shall as soon as enabled lay before him those accounts with such Remarks as may Arrise from their Conducts; I am furished by the Commissary General with such Instructions for that service as will make that business plain & familiar to Issuers at them posts.

I Expect to set out for Fort Pitt by the last of this month in Company with M<sup>r</sup> Franks one of the Agents to make a Survey of the Provisions on the Communication.

I am Sir

Your most Dutifull & Obedient Humble Servant:

JOHN READ

To Colonel Bouquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Read 15<sup>th</sup> May 1762



(May 15, 1762)

WILLIAM PLUMSTED AND DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 156, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, May 15, 1762.]

Coll<sup>d</sup> Henry Bouquet

Sir

We have en order to furnish you with provision in the best manner agreed with Mess<sup>rs</sup> Thompson Pearis & Crogan to supply the Garrison with Fresh meat and they have engaged att all times to have a Number of Cattle Sheep & Hoggs ready and in Good Order for that purpose by which we hope You hereafter may never again be putt to the difficultys You were in respect to fresh meat the last Winter. Our Agent writes us he did keep Fresh Cattle as long as he could but the want of fodder Obliged him to Slaughter nay he says he was obliged to send for some from a distant post as they were allso out Indeed the Severity of the last Winter was uncommon nor would itt have been in any man's power after itt once sett in to drive Cattle from hence or our settled Country to you though had we known your distress sooner would have used Our Uttmost endeavours for itt. To hear you complain and censure us so hard on a thing we could in no shape as we Apprehend be blamed for, gives us some concern. But are confident when you consider we knew You had a Number of Cattle saved in order to ease the Salt meat and distress of the Winter and that they were obliged to be Killed for want of provender and of which we were not acquainted till late in the Season so that we could not drive any to your releif you will think we were not so much to blame as you have exprest yourself and we can assure you if the Gentleman who supplied you before gave better meat itt can nor is any fault in us that ours was not so for we agreed the purchase of what we sent under his direction & Cheifly from the same Quarter he had from And we can of a truth say have ever had as great pleasure without profit as he ever could have with it to oblige you from your known merrit

We have allso engaged those people, to at all times have Cattle & ready & in order should you want to forward any to the back posts which we must request you'll direct some persons in Conjunction with such as they may name to Estimate a Value by which our agent may obtain a Certificate so as to settle with them with out difficulty We hope 'ere this long the drove of Cattle we ordered up may be with you and in order We have allso before we entered into this Agreement as above Ordered M<sup>r</sup> Cummins of Carlisle to forward you another drove of equal Number so that you may have

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a sufficeincy till Thompson Pearis & Crogan's are in order We  
can assure you Sir none have a greater regard for you nor none more  
desireous of serveing you in every thing in our power then

Y<sup>r</sup> Obliged Humbl<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>ts</sup>

PLUMSTED & FRANKS

Philad<sup>a</sup> May 15. 1762

[Endorsed] Mess<sup>rs</sup> Plumsted & Franks May 15<sup>th</sup> 1762

(May 15, 1762)

SERG. ANGUS M<sup>c</sup>DONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 154, A. L. S.]

Fort Burd May 15<sup>th</sup> 1762.

Honoured Sir/

I Recived an account from below that our pay is lodged at fort  
Cumberland whereis an officer Come to pay off those posts as I have  
no trusty Body that I Can send I hope it will not be Disagreeable  
to your honour if I go myself. I likeways Recived orders to list  
any of my party that is willing to serve and to give ten pounds  
Bounty to Each man but Shall not do any thing Concerning it till  
I have your Directions in that affair as I am ordered to Get your  
leave before I mention it to my Men

I am

Honoured Sir

at your Command

ANGUS M<sup>c</sup>DONALD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serjt<sup>t</sup> M<sup>c</sup>Donald 15<sup>th</sup> May  
1762 Answered the 17<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] To The Hon<sup>able</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Henry Bouquet. Esc<sup>t</sup> Commanding  
at Fort Pitt

(May 16, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 158, A. L. S.]

Presqu: Isle May 16<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Sir

This Day my Boat together with one Sent by Major Walters arrived here by whom I received 20 Barrells of Flour and 12 Barrells of Pork. My own Boat and Major Walters, I Shall send back in a Day or two for a farther Supply. I have received orders from Major Walters that M<sup>r</sup> Christy by the returns of the Boats will relieve me and that I am to return to Niagara which a little Surprised me as I always looked upon my Self to be under your orders and which I Shall prepair to obey but am Sorrey as I am conscious of no neglect of my duty to be orderd to Niagar<sup>a</sup> at a Time when I hoped if I was relieved I Should have had the pleasure of Seeing you at Fort Pitt. I Expect to live So very disgreably at Niagara that I would beg it as a particular favour you would be pleased to let me come to Fort Pitt. I Should be glade to here from you before M<sup>r</sup> Christys arrival as I Should much rather continue here by my Self than go to Niagara as I know how unhappy they live there. The Several Packets from the Major I have forwarded by M<sup>r</sup> Levy which I hope you will receive Safe.

I am  
with Sincere respect  
Dear Sir  
Your Most obedient humble Servant

ARCH<sup>d</sup> DOW

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Dow junior Presqu'  
Isle 16<sup>th</sup> May 1762 Received 24<sup>th</sup> d<sup>o</sup> answered the 25<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] On his Majisties Service To Collonel Bouquet Commanding  
at Fort Pitt

(May 17, 1762)

COL. GEORGE MERCER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 160, A. L. S.]

[Winchester, May 17, 1762.]

My dear Colonel

Tis now many Moons since I was even informed that you were in the Land of the living, or on the Waters of the Ohio; though you have had so long and tedious a Pilgrimage there, that I dare say you will find yourself wrote at to Pittsburg for some Ages after you leave it. May we not hope my good Sir, to take you by the Hand once again in the Polite World? surely you can not be doomed to perpetual Banishment. I must wish & expect the best for you however: and it would add much to the many Obligations you have already conferred on Me, would you dignify Me with your Correspondence. pray convince me from under your own Hand, that your Banishment, [herewith] can not deprive Us, of an Epistolary Interview, that would be too hard. After all though, I must acknowledge myself indebted to you a Letter, but I will endeavour to tell you as near as possible the Reason; though it may not be thought a good one, I will tell you the Truth w<sup>ch</sup> really is that I have been roving & rambling through the World for these eight Months past, that I have scarce been long enough in anyone Place, to set so much to Business as to write a Letter but I will endeavour for the future to convince you of my great Punctuality.

The Governour delivered Me the Letter for you some Time since, and I should have dispatched it immediately, but I believe it is now almost a Month since I left Williamsburg, I have been so terribly pestered with the Ague & Fever, that I could not compleat my Journey sooner.

I am just setting off for Philadelphia, I expect to be there about six Weeks, and though Fortune may deny Me the Pleasure of your Company, yet I will hope to hear from you.

There is no News on this Quarter. I believe the recruiting Service goes on well. tho I am a Gentleman at Large neither regard Tattoo or Revielle, Assembly or Troop nor can they say to Me thou shalt march. no I thought it most prudent not to hamper myself again. they say, a burnt Child dreads the Fire oh dear Liberty.

I hope my dear Colonel, that since I have been honoured with your Acquaintance, I have always endeavoured to convince you



(May 17, 1762)

with how great Esteem & Regard, I was, & still am

Your most obliged & obed<sup>t</sup> Friend & Serv<sup>t</sup>

G<sup>o</sup> MERCER

Winchester May 17<sup>th</sup> 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Geo: Mercer 17<sup>th</sup>  
May 1762 Received the 23<sup>d</sup> Answered the 24<sup>th</sup>

(May 19, 1762)

CAPT. GAVIN COCHRANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 162, A. L. S.]

New York May 19<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Sir

Captain Hopkins of the Queen's Rangers brought A letter from London for you which he told me was of consequence, & therefore I deliver it with this cover to A private hand to be sent by A Safe Opportunity to Pittsburg by M<sup>r</sup> Plumsted. inclosed is Also A letter for Capt Mather which by Advice I Opened that if it contained nothing I might destroy it.

Lieu<sup>t</sup> Calder who lately came from Maryland would have writ to you, but As he had not the pleasure to be Acquainted with you he desired I would do it. it was to tell you that your Naturalization in Maryland had pass'd in A most Ample manner; & what is seldom or never granted, that you have directly A right to be chosen A member of their assembly.

I reported this morning to Sir Jeffery Amhurst that I had confined Rich<sup>d</sup> Thomson of Cap<sup>t</sup> Gate's Company, being a deserter from the 1<sup>st</sup> Batt R A R. he said he should remain ~~where~~ in Capt Gate's Company at present & when the expedition is over be returned to you.

I can think of nothing else to inform you of. General Gage has got the 22<sup>d</sup> Regiment; I have been A little busy & am not As yet fully informed of the News brought by a Ship that came in yesterday.



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As to myself, I continue better, I had the Operation Again performed on me between 5 & 6 weeks Ago, & the Doctors hope that doing it once or twice more will cure me without A more Violent remedy. I beg my compliments to All our friends, & Am,

Dear Sir,  
Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> & hub<sup>le</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

GAVIN COCHRANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Cochrane May 19<sup>th</sup>  
Received June the 17<sup>th</sup> Answ<sup>d</sup> the

(May 20, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 163, A. L. S.]

[Venango, May 20, 1762.]

Sir /

The Bearer, is a Mane that was left by Cap<sup>n</sup> Schlosser, to Pillet the Batto, to Le Boeufe, I had directions from M<sup>r</sup> Carre to Send him to Fort Pitt, on his Return I have Detained him Some Days, on Account, of my Returns Which I have Inclosed, All the Provisions that the Garrison will Draw to y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> is Included in y<sup>e</sup> Returnes I Did it to save me ane express as the Garrison is Small. I had a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Guy Dated y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> Instant, he Informes me that he will want 21 Barrells of Pork or 30 Barrells of Beefe & 34 Barrells of flower, besides the Provisions then in store I think his Calculation is large If you thought proper two Battoes is very necessary to be hire, for it is, not, all the Sumer that y<sup>e</sup> Batto Cane go up French Creek

I am Sir  
Your very Hum<sup>ble</sup> Ser<sup>t</sup>

FRA<sup>s</sup> GORDON

Venango May 20<sup>th</sup> 1762 }

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Gordon 20<sup>th</sup> May  
1762, Received 23<sup>d</sup> Answered the 23<sup>d</sup>

(May 20, 1762)

THOMAS CRESAP TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 164, A. L. S.]

May 20th 1762

Sir/

This being the first oppertunity since my return from our Assembly am sorry that I can only inform you of their Continuing still in thier former Lethargy not having Raised either men or Money for his Majestys service but only pass'd some Necessary Acts amongst which is one for your Naturalisation which pass'd on Apl 23 without any Objection; we have no further News from this part of the Country worth Relating therefore shall Conclude with Esteem

Sir

Your Most Obed<sup>t</sup>. Hum<sup>l</sup>e Serv<sup>t</sup>

THO<sup>s</sup> CRESAP

P. S. There is one James Barr once in your Garrison whose wife when on her way up pass'd a note of hand to me in her husbands Name having supplyd her with some Necessarys which I have sent him several times in order to be Discharged which he has Neglected I have sent it again by the Bearer & shoud he still Neglect payment Beg youd be Kind Enough to Order him to Discharge it having no other way of Coming at it but by your Assistance which hope you<sup>l</sup> Excuse my requesting of

I am as Above

T. C.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Cresap May 20<sup>th</sup>  
Received the 25<sup>th</sup> answ<sup>d</sup> the same day

[Addressed] To Col. Henry Boquet Commanding at Pittsburgh

(May 21, 1762)

COL. ADAM STEPHEN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 166, A. L. S.]

[Fredericksburg, May 21, 1762.]

Dear Sir,

M<sup>r</sup> Macdonald was Obliged to come down for the mens Pay. They came to learn that they were really discharged by the Act of Assembly, & imagined they were to be defrauded of their Pay, & very justly demanded it. This affair has after a great deal of troubl for want of the Paymaster, been pretty well settled, & I hope they will chearfully Stay untill they are relieved.

Angus M<sup>c</sup>Donald begs I would make this Apology for his Coming off without y<sup>r</sup> knowledge, as the men were on the point of leaving him, had he not taken that Step; and as he is now in the way of being promoted I beg the favour of you to let him return after Settling with the men.

We mett with great Success in recruiting But where we are destined. I cannot really Say;

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most Ob<sup>t</sup> huble Se<sup>t</sup>

ADAM STEPHEN

Fredericksburg May 21<sup>st</sup> 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Stephen 21<sup>st</sup> May  
1762

(May 24, 1762)

LIST OF OFFICERS

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 176, D.]

List of the Officers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Batt: Roy<sup>l</sup> Am<sup>n</sup> Regiment as they are appointed to Companys the 24<sup>th</sup> May 1762.

Compy <sup>s</sup> Col Prevost	{ C Lt Phillips Lt Blane + 7 Ens Hay +	C Campbells	{ Lt Lesslie Lt Gorrel En <sup>s</sup> Holmes
Co <sup>l</sup> Bouquets	{ Lt Potts 3 Lt Jamett + Ens Pauly +	Capt Ecuyer	{ 5 Lt Dow <sup>s</sup> Servt Lt Jenkins En <sup>s</sup> Hutchins
Major Walters	{ Lt M <sup>c</sup> Dougal + Lt Phister + Ens Christie		
Grenadiers C <sup>t</sup> Barnsley	{ Lt Carre 2 Lt Guy 4 + Lt Baillie 6		
Capt Cochranes	{ Lt Dimler + Lt Dow Junr + Ens		
Capt Schlösser	{ Lt Stewart 8 Lt McDonald Ens Schlosser		
C[apt] Gordon	{ Lt Gordon 10 Lt Donellan Ens Price		
C Etherington	{ Lt Brehm 1 Lt Hay Ens		

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] List of officers in the 1<sup>st</sup> Batt<sup>n</sup> R. A. R. as appointed to Comp<sup>y</sup> the 24<sup>th</sup> May 1762

(May 24, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 177, A. L. S.]

Presqu: Isle May 24<sup>th</sup> 1762.

Dear Sir/

Inclosed are the Monthly returns of the Garrison, Provisions and Stores. I wrote you Some time ago by M<sup>r</sup> Levy which I hope you have receivd, Since when I have Nothing material to inform you of only that the breast Work tumble down very fast and leaving So few men here am not able to repair it. I Should be very glad if you could Send me a few Garden Seeds but am in the greatest want of Turnip and Carrot Seeds as I have not a grain of either Sort.

I am

Dear Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

ARCH<sup>d</sup>: DOW.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ens<sup>n</sup> Dow May 24<sup>th</sup> 1762



(May 24, 1762)

ENSIGN H. C. PAULI TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 178, A. L. S.]

Sandusky May y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 1762.

Sir

When M<sup>r</sup> Hutchins were here, leave could not be got then for Philip Boyl to plant Corn; as the Cheefs of the Indians on this side of the Lake were not present, but as soon they arived I have caled them in, and after about twlfe days considering they have given their consent on the 21<sup>st</sup> of this month: they wanted him to plant at Cenundud one of their Towns four miles off the Blockhouse being better Land there; but since the Colonel has found proper near the Blockhouse, I could not allow it.

The Indians are beginning to be very quit and more condent as the used to be.

The Party are all in helth and present the Grenadier Rich.<sup>d</sup> Kent who been sick at Detriect and the 2 Men sendd with M<sup>r</sup> Hutchins Joind the 17<sup>th</sup> this month.

By Capt.<sup>n</sup> Calenders assintance I sendd for those Battoes left by Capt.<sup>n</sup> Belfor in the Winter 30 miles off this Post, but were found most ruined by the Indians, I suppose for Sake of the nials; and the Men on their return lost the only Canew I had by an accident of a Storm on a Roky Shore.

M<sup>r</sup> Teaft beaks leave to ask the faveur, that if the Colonel Should find it necessairy to send Provisions this way, his horses might be employd on that service, he says 40 Horses of his, would be at Fort Pitt in 4 or 5 weeks Time after date: I mus Say so much of him; he has been very oblyging in assisting me to provide Venison for the Guarrson.

Inclosed is the Provision Return

Sir I am

your most obedient Humble Servant

H C PAULI En<sup>s</sup>

To Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed] M<sup>r</sup> Pauly 24<sup>th</sup> May 1762 answ<sup>d</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> July

(May 25, 1762)

MAJOR WILLIAM WALTERS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 179, A. L. S.]

Niagara May 25:<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Colonel

I take this opportunity by Ensign Christie who comes to receive Lieut<sup>t</sup> Dow at PresquIsle to Enclose the Monthly return for the Month of May by which you will find that I have sent one Serjeant one corp<sup>l</sup> & Eleven men of Captain Cochranes Company with three men from the other Companys to Reinforce Cap<sup>t</sup> Campbell by the Generals orders.

I thought it best to Send Cap:<sup>tn</sup> Cochranes men as the greatest part of his Company will be at Fort Pitt, I have ordered their accompts to be made up to 24<sup>th</sup> June and their Ballance to be paid them to that Time thinking it would Clear to the paymaster & to Cap<sup>tn</sup> Campbell

I wrote you by M<sup>r</sup> Leve a Trader of the 4<sup>th</sup> april and Enclosed the Monthly Returns for December January Feb<sup>y</sup> & March I also wrote you of the 7<sup>th</sup> Instant and Enclosed the monthly Return for april which I hope you will Receive & find Right I beg my compliments to the Gentlemen with you

I am Dear Co[lonel]

Your most obedient Humble Servant

W<sup>m</sup> WALTERS

P: S I am to acquaint you as there was but two men Remning here of Captain Cochranes Company I have transfar'd them into the company here and Shall only Send Returns for the three Companies for the future

W<sup>m</sup> WALTERS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Major Walters May 25<sup>th</sup>  
1762 Answered the 15<sup>th</sup> July by M<sup>r</sup> Pitcher

(May 28, 1762)

MAJOR JAMES LIVINGSTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 181, L. S.]

[Cumberland, May 28, 1762.]

Sir

I have sent you the Returns, and 24 Caggs of Powder; there was one Barrel so bad, which is left here, that the Conductor and Cooper thought it not worth sending; another Barrel also is left here fit for Service for the use of this Garrison; I have rode a great Way to procure Horses and Caggs, as there were none here, to bring the Powder up, but could not accomplish my Purpose as all the People are very busy about their Corn, till one William Walker came to this Post from Bedford with Flour, with whom I have agreed at 12s/. p<sup>r</sup> Cagg to carry it to Fort Burd, which amounts to £ 14<sup>..</sup> 8<sup>..</sup> 0 Penn<sup>a</sup> Currency, which I hope you will discharge, I have given him an Order for that Sum; No News here, the Virginians are ordered to Fredericksburg to be the General Rendezvous, as they cannot be supplied at Winchester, 22s/ 6<sup>d</sup> being paid p hund for Flour; Col<sup>o</sup> Mercer is gone to Philad<sup>a</sup> for Cloathing for the Regiment, with Orders for 6s/. Sterl<sup>g</sup> p<sup>r</sup> yard for the private Men. Perhaps you may conjecture the Carriage to be high, but I could by no means help it. I am

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

JAM<sup>s</sup> LIVINGSTON

P. S. I here write the Expences Viz<sup>t</sup>

24 Caggs at 3/6 each - - - - -	£	4 <sup>..</sup>	4 <sup>..</sup>	0
Thread to sew the Covering - - - - -		0 <sup>..</sup>	2 <sup>..</sup>	0
Carriage of the 24 Caggs at 12/. each - -		14 <sup>..</sup>	8 <sup>..</sup>	0
Total	£	18 <sup>..</sup>	14 <sup>..</sup>	0

Cumberland May 28th, 1762

P. S. This day the Pack horses set off with the Powder.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Livingston 28<sup>th</sup> May  
1762

(June 1, 1762)

JOHN READ TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 182, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia 1 June 1762

Sir/.

Inclos'd is a General State of the Provisions. I expected to have brought it with me

You will please to observe that the Rations of Butter & Rice is Calculated at five P Cent discount for Waistage in Issuing as the other Species of Provisions are

I Mention'd in my last that I was to sett out the latter end of May in Company with M<sup>r</sup> Franks, he was at my house last Night and told me that he expected General Monckton, in New York in a Short time that it was probable he may have some Orders from him Relating to the Stores. I Mention'd this as our Journey is put off for some time

I am

Sir

Your most Obedient & Dutifull Humble Servant

JOHN READ

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Read 1<sup>st</sup> June 1762

(June 4, 1762)

SOPHIA FESCH TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 175, A. L. S.]

4<sup>th</sup> June [1762.]

Dear Sir

The above is a Copy of what I wrote you by the Hibernia Cap<sup>t</sup> Rogers which saild the 2<sup>d</sup> inst<sup>t</sup> and as there is a Vessel just on departing for Philadelphia, I cannot let the Opportunity escape of acquainting you, that this Morning I have deliver'd up the Plantations Negroes &ca to the Agents here; I have only time to acquaint you of this, but in my next Shall be more particular.

I am

[Dear Sir]

Your Hble Servant

S. FESCH.

(June 4, 1762)

SOPHIA FESCH TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 172, A. C. S.]\*

Cha<sup>s</sup>town the 23<sup>d</sup> May 1762

Dear Sir

I was almost in Despair of ever having a Reply to my Letters to you when I was agreeably surprized with one Yesterday of the 11<sup>th</sup> May (Duplicate), in which I must confess that I think there

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\* The original letter, at f. 168, is largely illegible, and not reproduced. This copy was enclosed with Mrs. Fesch's letter of June 4, 1762.



(June 4, 1762)

are some Passages w<sup>ch</sup> do not give me a little uneasiness: For as I hope my former conduct has never given cause of Reproach my future I shall be careful in every particular shall not, but justly merit that Esteem you are pleased to express for me.

The perplex'd Situation I was in at the time of M<sup>r</sup> Fesch's decease, & a Stranger to the Condition Affairs were left in, I knew not what Step to take without Advice, if I have follow'd ill, I am sorry for it; but I declare with the utmost sincerity that I never entertain'd a thought of having Recourse to Chicane for the Security of an unjust Possession by Virtue of my administring on the Estates, which I shou'd not even have done, but was told the Law required it, as being left Sole Executrix, unless the Agents wou'd come upon Some terms w<sup>th</sup> me Whereby I might not be totally deprived of means of Subsistance during my residence here. They might then have administred thereon & been Since possessd of the whole, but their Terms I dreaded, which were little better than to rely on their Mercy after making a total Surrender. I hope Sir you will not think me obstinate in a case so very precarious, or immoderate in my Request, w<sup>ch</sup> was deliver'd them, and is in substance as follows.

My Comission on the Estate, My Effects at Sophy Hall & what belong'd to M<sup>r</sup> Guinand, (an Acco<sup>t</sup> of which I sent to London, & they are ready to be deliver'd to whoever his Brother Shall appoint).... The Use of Sophy Hall until it was Sold. A Negro Wench & a Boy while I Staid. On these terms they were to have all the Right I cou'd make over to them provided they undertook to discharge M<sup>r</sup> Fesch's Debts here & M<sup>r</sup> Guinands.

The Time which these terms have taken up in considering I cannot account for; I never was formy part more Solicitous & active in trying to bring things to a Conclusion, & have been flatter'd almost these four Months with having it done: And as their Conditions since differ little from mine, & what pleases me more, from your, I shall mention them. To Grant me the Sum of Two hund<sup>d</sup> & fifty pounds Sterl<sup>g</sup> All my Effects at Sophy Hall, Which are the Same I had in Town, & w<sup>ch</sup> you have Seen, & being part of my Dowry, I claim them as Such & they are granted me. The Use of a Boy & Wench for twelve Months, if I Shou'd Stay so long, w<sup>ch</sup> I hope I shall not. They then engage to discharge me from any future demands whatsoever relating to the Estate.

His Excellency the Governor, without whose consent nothing has been done, has this Day the Articles of Agreement to look over & tomorrow I expect that all will be to our Satisfaction.

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They Shall have all the Books, Papers, Files, with the Plantations deliver'd them up. But papers of a private Concern, as some of M<sup>r</sup> Guinand I shall Seal up Securely & acquaint his Brothers of it. M<sup>r</sup> Fesch's Effects are really trifling, & they will hardly dispute a few old Coats & some old Shirts.

I hope Sir I have Satisfy'd you clearly as you requested, & that it will remove your doubt of my Injustice, or taking advantage of the Power which was left me, which if I have put to an ill Use it has been thro' Ignorance and the ill advice of my Lawyers.

I am Sorry for the great Loss you had last [fall] 'tis a cruel Stroke to the additional one here [but] this will be [thro] Life.

Your kind Offers to me I acknowledge with the highest Sense of Gratitude. Sophy hall was scrupled by the Agents. I have given up that Point. And I hope by their fulfilling [their] agreement, that I shall not be in need of Your preferr'd favour. I have hired a Small house in town, where I Shall reside until it pleases God that I hear from You & my Brothers.

Your horse & Chair I shall keep for your Orders concerning them as I don't think they belong to the Estate but are yours in particular.

The crop last [season has] been pretty toler[able and the most that has ever been] made. Two [hundred & thirty Seven Barrs] Rice, betwen [ . . . ] twelve hundred bushels of Corn together with [ . . . ] flour.

[The Negroes are all] employ'd and have been Since M<sup>r</sup> Fesch's Death that the concern'd might not Suffer, & there are planted now One hundred & thirty Acres of Rice, fifty Seven of Corn & Eleven of Potatoes.

Voila mon cher Ami, tout a peu pres ce que Je [puis me rappeler] de Consequence a Vous Comuniquer, Vous me [rendes] Justices, & Vous ne vous etes trompe en la bonne Opinion que Vous avez de la Droiture de mon Cocure & des Sentiments de mon Ame. J'espere que l'honestete & la Vertu seront toujours mes Guides, & plus que jamais pour l'avenir avec l'aide du Seigneur qui Veuille m'accorder Sa Benediction. Les Biende ce Monde ne me forent jamais souiller ma [conscience] on est trop cher. Je connois [ . . . ]

(June 4, 1762)

[Seven lines of French omitted because of illegibility]

Mille Remerciements pour les Voux que Vous faites pour  
Moi et du Souvenir de ma chere Petite. Elle se porte bien, Dieu  
soit loue, Elle est mon seul Amusement.

Je Vous ecrirois par toutes les Occasions Mais l'on me dit  
qu'il y a une Embargo [sur] Vaisseau. Mon Dieu, quand est que la  
Guerre finira.

Vous ne me dites rien si Vous avez recu vos hardes & ma  
Lettre du 3<sup>e</sup> Sept<sup>e</sup> 1761.

[SOPHIA PESCH]

[TRANSLATION]

That my dear friend, is about all I can remember of consequence to communicate to you. You render me justice, and are not mistaken in the good opinion which you have of the integrity of my heart and the sentiments of my soul. I hope that honesty and virtue will always be my guides, and more than ever in the future, with the help of the Lord who will grant me his benediction, the wealth of the world will never cause me to stain my conscience. It is too dear. I know the detriments of wealth. I know [ . . . ]\*

A thousand thanks for the wishes you sent me and the remembrance of my dear little one. She is well, God be praised; she is my only pleasure.

I will write you at every opportunity, but I have been informed that there is an embargo on shipping. My God, when is the war to end?

You did not mention if you received your clothes, and my letter of September 3, 1861.

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\* There are seven lines of French not translated, because of illegibility.

(June 6, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 184, A. L. S.]

Le Bocuf 6<sup>th</sup> June 1762.

Sir

I have inclosed to you the returns for the twenty fourth of May, shoud have sent them off before this time but waited for M<sup>r</sup> Christies coming from Niagara, he, arrived at Presqu: Isle last Saturday. I received a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Gordon acquainting me that he had receivd orders from you to assit in bringing up provisions for this Garrison, the men have made one trip but the Creek has been so low this week past that it was impossibel to send down the Battoe. I shall send here off again tomorrow to see if there is a possabilaty of geting down. shall keepe here going till there is provisions to last the Garrison a twelve Month

I am

Sir

Your Most Ob<sup>t</sup> Humbl Servant

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Licut. Guy June 6<sup>th</sup> 1762

[Addressed] On His Majesty's Service To Colonel Bouquet commanding at Fort Pitt

Lt Guy 6 June

(June 6, 1762)

CAPT. THOMAS BARNESLEY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 186, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt the 6<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Dear Sir

I Receiv'd yours of the 4 Ins<sup>t</sup> Yesterday Evening by which time I immagin'd Doctor Boyd would be with you; I Dispatch'd an Express after Vanhulst last Night who I hope will overtake him at Venango, if not, I have orderd L<sup>t</sup> Gordon to send after him immediately, and as Soon as he comes here, shall send away a man To LeBeuff with a Lancet and a few Medicines for the men in that Department

Lieut Baillie sets of for Bedford to morrow morning and I propose to hire or press a horse to bring his things after him in a few days. I was Extremely glad to hear My Dear Ourry had a tolerable Night of it, and that he bears his Misfortune with Fortitude, I hope before this Arrives I shall receive one from the Doctor telling me that both him & you are in a very good way which I do Assure you is the Fervent Prayers of

Dear Sir

Your Most Humble and most Obedient Servant

THO<sup>s</sup> BARNESLEY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Barnesley 6<sup>th</sup> June  
1762

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet at Bedford



(June 7, 1762)

T. D. HAMBACK TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 188, A. L. S.]

Fort Detroit Jun 7, 1762,

honoured Sir!

In My last Letter which has been lost by the Express I inform'd your honour that I ordered My Correspondent at Detroit, to transmitt some of Cap<sup>t</sup> Campbles Bills to your hands, in order to pay Mr Lunan, But I have rece<sup>d</sup> Since a Letter of M<sup>r</sup> Mitchel ~~that~~ that it has been done already. I arrived here the 2<sup>d</sup> of this ins<sup>t</sup> from St Joseph, where I might have Made a better hand, if M<sup>r</sup> Shlosser hadn't been So much Against<sup>t</sup> me.

I have taken Some goods from M<sup>r</sup> Callender to try another to St Joseph, and if Possible I intentd to be down in the faul.

I have Entirely finish'd the Sale of the first Cargo, and hope to Come Clear off. I haven't made Not one Martin in My Furrs this Winter, and Am Extremely Sorry I Can't satisfie your Honour in this article for the Present Time

I am with profound respect

Sir

Your Honours Most humble, Most obedient Servant

T D HAMBACK

to Col: Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hambach June 7<sup>th</sup> 1762

(June 7, 1762)

JAMES PITCHER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 189, A. L. S.]

Commiss<sup>RY</sup> Office New York 7<sup>th</sup> June 1762.

Sir

This I pleasure myself will find you well.

S<sup>r</sup> Jeffery Amherst telling me this morning that an Express was going your way; I thought it proper to acquaint you, that after seeing the Fifty eighth Regiment, which is hourly expected here from Canada, for Embarkation, I shall immediately set out for Fort Pitt, requesting that you will give Orders, to the several Captains, or commanding Officers of Companies, to get the Rolls in as much forwardness as they can, that is by writing the different setts of Rolls, from their last Muster, I mean the Names only; leaving the Margents to be fill'd up after my arrival, The Dockets may likewise be writ, leaving a Blank space for the Numbers, which cannot be known till after the Muster.

I am with great esteem

Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Servant

JAS PITCHER

Col<sup>l</sup> Henry Bouquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Commissary Pitcher's  
7<sup>th</sup> June 1762 Received the 17<sup>th</sup>

(June 7, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 191, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> 7. June 1762

Dear sir,

I Wrote You the other day by M<sup>r</sup> Swain, Since that, as M<sup>r</sup> Willing is not ret<sup>d</sup> I have delivered Your Letter to M<sup>rs</sup> Francis; M<sup>rs</sup> Willing desires her Comp<sup>s</sup> and to tell you, "that tho the Family is now a good deal scattered; Yet You have Still many good friends in that Home, and Which, she hopes You'll make Your Head Quarters, when you favour us with Your Company here, That You are Still the first Toast at their Table, and that their [response] still see with more pleasure." I did not expect that the Poem on science would please. But such as it was, I sent it to you. I am glad M<sup>r</sup> Vandervelden mett with Dispatch, and Wish him success in the settling of his Affair there, for that Trade cannot be Carried on to any Advantadge from this place. I am not yet altogether a proselyte, but I own, I entertain at times, some thoughts very Different from my former way of thinking on the Subject You mention; When I fix for Certain, Il not fail to let You know, the very first of my good Friends, but its at a great Distance, Nay so farr, that I have it but just in View, and must see Boston before I determine and Wish my Journey and the fine girls in N England does not Stagger me. Could my Example have any Influence on a Friend of Mine, about 300 Miles west from this; I should be greatly pleased to add to his Happiness; Meantime I thank him very kindly, for wishing so Sincerely for Mine, as I know he does.

Your Letter for Cap<sup>t</sup> Bentinck shal go by the first Vessell for Halifax.

By a letter the other Day from Miss B. Willing, they were preparing for W<sup>ms</sup>burgh to keep the Kings BirthDay. She mntion'd, that her Brother was not So well, as she could Wish, and as she said, even so much in a Letter to her Brother, I fear he's not well indeed, and Wish to God, he'd go to England. Hes a worthy good Man, and One I have the greatest Esteem for. But I fear for him very Much.

I Intend for Boston Sometime in July, and must be gone about 5 or 6 Weeks. So that I hope to return full of Health and Spirits, as I flatter myself, with the thought of a very agreeable

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Journey. M<sup>rs</sup> Sterling still Continues without Health. And I suppose Cap<sup>t</sup> Sterlings on that Account, and in order to be near her, has not pushed to go abroad so much as he otherwise would have done, so that he has got no prices. I Wish M<sup>r</sup> Willing would go home and bring her out, that she may get her Health; I Must request You'll forgive me this hasty Scrawl, Which I hope You'll be able to read as I am much hurried.

I very Sincerely remain  
My Dear Sir,  
Your much obliged humble Serv<sup>t</sup>.

ALEX. LUNAN.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Lunan 7<sup>th</sup> June

(June 8, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 195, D. S.]

[Detroit, June 8, 1762.]

To Col<sup>l</sup> Henry Boquet Or Officer Commanding at Fort Pitt.

Please to allow Mess<sup>rs</sup> Callender and Spear to Pass with Spirits and Shrub As much as they shall think Sufficient for the use of this Garrison, and I will be Answerable for their Conduct

Given Under my Hand this 8<sup>th</sup> June 1762

DONALD CAMPBELL

Capt R: A: Regt Commanding at Detroit

Detroit 8<sup>th</sup> June 1762 }

[Endorsed] Captain Campbell's Pass for Liquor

(June 8, 1762)

JOHN BAIRD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 196, A. L. S.]

Wackatomica June 8<sup>th</sup> 1762

Sir/

I Recevd your favour p<sup>r</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Galaw'y and have Done evry thing in my Power to get his Wife & Child<sup>n</sup> for him, All to no purpose. Thy Are not Willing to part With any of them Without Goods, Which I Would not Take on me to give Without your Orders As it Was Ordred to the Contraray by Gen<sup>l</sup> Amhurst. There Reason for Detaining them thy Wont give but Says thy Will Send her up When thy Can preswade more to go With her, Which in my Opinion will be hard to Do. I Shall Try to perswade them if Posable to Send her up when M<sup>r</sup> Hutchins Goes Who is Soon Expected at the Lower town and Will Pass here. Thy Want M<sup>r</sup> Croghan to Come & bring Goods to there Towns; then thy Say thy Will Deliver All the Captives amongst them up to him

sir

your Most Humbl Sert.

BARD

To Col. Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Baird June 8<sup>th</sup> 1762

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(June 8, 1762)

ADAM HOOPS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 198, L. S.]

Philadelphia 8<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Dear S<sup>r</sup>

I had the pleasure of your of the 20 May last

And am very much oblidge to you for Your assisting in Helping off with a Troubelson Tanyard I am very well satisfied to be quit of it

I am glad to find you have once more got fresh Beef and hopes you will have no more scarcity.

I have seen Bostian Graffe and also rote him that his Money was ready when he pleased to send for it but Yesterday I received a letter from him Desireing me to Pay the Interest the Principal he would to stand as it was I have inclosed you a Coppy of it

I am oblidge to you for your good wishes to our Privater, she will be Lanced in in two weeks & I hope a full match for any of French or Spanish frigates indeed she is the finest ship ever was built in North America I hold the 5 of her as yet but there are many which want to be concerned & i belive I will part with one 13<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> part, as I have 6 part of the privateer Hake of 14 Guns which sailed about 2 Weeks agoe, & I have 3 Ships In the Merchant trade which is enough for me to venture at sea

General Moncton is expected every Day at New York.

I am Dear S<sup>r</sup>

Y<sup>r</sup> most Humble Servant

AD<sup>m</sup> HOOPS

to Conl Henery Bequet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hoops 8<sup>th</sup> June 1762  
answerd the 12<sup>th</sup> July

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup> Commander of his Majestys  
Troops at Fort Pitt

In a London Paper, w<sup>ch</sup> I can't now get to send, I see Col. Boquett commands a Regiment

(June 8, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 200, A. L. S.]

Detroit 8<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Sir

I did myself the honor to write you Some time agoe, by one Smith a German that went from this Place.

I Received your Letter of the 3<sup>d</sup> April by Mr Hutchins, to whom I gave all the assistance to proceed on his Journey, I could only spare him two Men, and an Interpreter, and desired Leut Lesslye to provide him in a Guide to the Bay, And St Josephs, which is absolutely Neessary, tho it contradicts one Part of his Instructions, Not to put the Crown to any Expençe whatsoever I Should think there can be noe Service carried on without Some Expençe

My Batteaus are Returned from Niagara and brought above one hundred Barrills of Provisions, I have sent the same number back again to Niagara, and have forwarded A litle to all the Posts, if I had a Sufficient number of Batteaus, this the only season of the year to navigate these Lakes with Safety, and the few I have got are soe bad, that nothing but the good Season ~~and~~ and the necessity of the Service would ~~would~~ Oblidge me to trust them. It Seems they Still to get out the Vessels, but I am still of Opinion that Batteaus on those Lakes are most to be depended on, if one of Vessels is lost there is Resource left to Supply the posts, for want of Batteaus;

You See I have my own Diffecultys to Carry on the Service. Constant demand from the Officers at the different Posts for Things to give the Indians.

I am glad to acquaint you the General has passed all my Accompts that were sent him and given Warrants for the Payment he seems tolerably well pleased with Conduct but complains a litle, that my Indian Accompts were very high, and recomends Oconomy in time to come. I still continue to give them some Trifles, at this Place and all the Posts depending Such as Tobacco &c this is unavoidable in our present Situation. I feel already the good effects ~~being forbid to be~~ of the Orders against, tho the Indians grumbled and even threatned us at first, they begin to hunt and mind their Corn, and I have not half soe much Trouble with them as last year.

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Major Walter has Stopped all the Schrub and Spirits that the Traders, were bringing for the use of this Garrison, I doe not beleive that the General Intends to keep Stores from the Officers, the Major might trust me that I would not allow Any of it to the Indians. I have given a Passeport Messrs Spear & Callendar to bring us some Liquors, which I you will allow to pass, the Quantity can be specified in their passports from Fort Pitt.

I Send you inclosed Returns of the Garrisons I have heard from all Posts, ~~but~~ except the Bags tho Mr Lesslye has sent me Mr Gorrils Letter to him, as his Letter that he mentions, having Sent me was not come to hand. he mentions that nothing had happened during, the winter and all his People were well, Lt Lesslye is well with his Garrison, at least he returns noe Sick. Mr Lesslye desires me to acquaint you that he will doe his endeavour to procure Some fine Peltry for you.

I have Sent you by the Bearer Capt Callendar A Beaver Blanket; a dozen of martines, and four Pricks of y<sup>e</sup> very best Tobacco that comes from the Illinois, which I beg you will doe me the honor to accept off. There is noe better martines to be had here.

I am with the greatest Respect  
Your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

P: S: Young Clapham is gone to Fort Pitt, and the Securitys that he received for the Cargoe he Sold belonging to Messrs Taylor and Cox, their Interest is recomended to me from Philadelphia

I beg you would oblidge him to settle with them.

P. S I had allmost forgot to mention to you that I Sent a Person to St Josephs, to examine into the Complaint made against Mr Schlosser. I gave him my best advice for his future Conduct he promises to me, that I shall never have any future Complaints against him, and the whole Affair is made use for this time, Mr Hutchins Shows an Inclination to be ~~ean~~ be Sent to one of there Posts when he gets his Commission. I should think him a proper Person,

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~~Stey~~ Serjeant Steyner was here and is very willing to Stay another year, or to get his discharge, ~~if you~~ in the fall if you think it proper, to send a serjeant in his Place. I have already mentioned to you that young Clapham, has Notes in hand to the value of thirty five thousand Livres belonging to Taylor and Cox, I wish you would bring him to a Settlement with them. I can tell he is a positive Young Man.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Captain Campbell 8<sup>th</sup> June  
Received the 7<sup>th</sup> July 1762 answered the 22<sup>d</sup>

[Addressed] To Collonel Bouquet Commanding his Majestys forces  
at Fort Pitt

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CAPT. GAVIN COCHRANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 204, A. L. S.]

New York June 8<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Sir

I was favoured with yours of the 24<sup>th</sup> of May: I Acquainted His Excellency of the contents, he seemed to have some thoughts of Sending up Pritchard & Holdstock to Niagara by the Provincials, he told me nothing of what he designed to order As to Pritchard's desertion.

His Excellency was pleased to tell me that whilst M<sup>r</sup> Napier thought it necessary for me to stay for the recovery of my health he had no objection: M<sup>r</sup> Napier told His Excellency he thought I ought not to go till my cure is thought to be compleat, if it can be done. Appearances since the last Operation Are greatly in my favour, & the Doctors are in hopes that One time more will do the business.

I am not At All Surprized that the men of my Company At Niagara who have not been cleared with should grumble if the other Companies



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there have been cleared with, but I am very much Surprized that my orders for that purpose should either have been thought Necessary or expected. I Should have thought it presumption in me to have pretended to have given orders, As these orders Always come from the Commanding officer on the Spot for all to clear to the Same day; nor did I ever Venture to do it when present. I shall write to Jehu Hay who I hear has the charge of these men. Mr Dow settles regularly the Accounts of the men At Presqu'Isle According to my directions, & will pay the ballances if he receives money. you know the Situation We were in last Summer for want of money. I frequently wrote to you About it: they were many months without receiving A farthing of pay: As I was told that the Garrison at le Bauff were regularly paid, I was under Apprehensions of the consequence, but had A great ~~page~~-Opinion of the mens regard for me, & was not deceived.

I thank you for Acquainting me of the promotions in our Battalion. Capt<sup>t</sup> Stanton was lately here from Martinico & I am told has sold out, but he was not to Wait of Sir Jeffery Amherst. Several people have lately Arrived from Martinico but bring no other News than that Lord Albemarle & the fleet & Army Sailed from that the 6<sup>th</sup> of May. I am affraid the West Indian Climate will be much more hurtfull to our men than the Enemy. the first embarkation from this, consisting of the 46<sup>th</sup> Regiment 4 independant Companies & Provincials, are fallen down to the Hooch & sail with the first fair wind; they Are under the command of Coll Burton. the 58<sup>th</sup> is Arrived from Canada & are soon to sail, with the New York Provincials. the destination of both is kept A Secret. Major Goreham's Rangers Are here & go with the Second embarkation. We begin to look out for the Arrival of A Paquet, the other two had so long passages that they brought no News. my compliments to all with you. I am,

Dear Sir,  
Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> & huble Serv<sup>t</sup>

GAVIN COCHRANE

June 9<sup>th</sup> the Packet Arrived this morning in 6 weeks, there Are no letters for you, nor much News.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt<sup>t</sup> Cochrane June 8<sup>th</sup>  
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[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet commanding at Fort Pitt



(June 10, 1762)

COL. THOMAS CRESAP TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 208, A. L. S.]

Old Town June 10th 1762.

Sir /

I am sorry to hear of your misfortune in getting hurt which Major Livingston informed me of but hope it is not Bad Shoud have Come over to have Seen you But am Very unwell

I wrote to you some time ago in which I mentiond to you that some Person Near Your Lands in this Gouvinmint had been Endeavouring to get said Lands to thier own use but on its being Brought to a trial was Detirmined intirely in your favour which suppose will prevent any more Attempts of that Kind as I understand you are on your way Down to your seat or Plantation shall be glad you'd make this in your Return I am much Obliged to you for you favour in Obliging M<sup>r</sup> Barrance to pay his Debt which I receivd in part

I am with my Compliments to Cap<sup>t</sup> Ourry  
Sir.

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Hum<sup>le</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

THO<sup>s</sup> CRESAP

P. S. I have in my Possession three Original Deeds Belonging to the Lands you Purchased of M<sup>r</sup> Delany which if are of Any Service to you will send them to you

I am as above

T. C.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Cresap June 10<sup>th</sup> 1762

[Addressed] To Coll<sup>o</sup> Henry Boquet

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CAPT. THOMAS BARNESLEY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 206, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt the 10<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Dear Sir

It was with the Greatest pleasure I Receiv'd yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> Instant by which I found (and also by the Doctors of the same date) that both you and Capt<sup>t</sup> Ourry was in a fine way of doing well, which I pray may Continue, and do Sincerely Return thanks to our Great Creator, that you are Neither of you worse. I shall Observe your directions Concerning Van Hulst as Also the Milk; I likewise propose to Settle the price of Beer to one Shilling pr Quart it being now Sold at Eighteen pence. The Powder Arrivd from Fort Bird Yesterday in very good Order and is put into the Magazine. The men are Return'd from Venango that carried the flower and by Lt Gordons Acct<sup>t</sup> sent to me there is a Deficiency of 129lb weight on which I sent for Mr Ormsby who told me he could not tell how it Happend, but he was very sure that the Quantity mentiond in the invoice was sent from this, and that he knew it was impossible to Send flower in baggs but there would be some loss, as also a great risk of having the whole Spoild Lt Gordon also says in his Letter that if the flower sent there, is not put in Barrels there is a great danger of having the whole spoil'd. Our Oats Indian Corn &c<sup>a</sup> goes on very well and Denotes a plentiful Crop, Except the Carrots & Parsnips in the Lower part of the Garden which does not make much Appearance yet, though Fraser gives me hopes they will not be so bad as I Expect, I have made him put more Carrot seed in the ground, and shall still proceed in the New Husbandry way, though Fraser does not seem to have a great Opinion of it; I got two Battoe Load of Hay down the Allegany Yesterday and this morning sent them of for more, The Fence in the Pasture has been finishd some time, and wee are now going on With the Deer Park and the New Fence from Roskrudges across the Big Garden which is to be done very Elegantly under the Directions of Burrent and Schryock who Attends it very Close.

Mr Munday tells me that your Plough will be Finishd very soon, and that you propos'd to have it sent down the Country, if so, please to let me know and I will take the Opertunity of the first Waggon.

The Garrison still Continues to behave Extremely well and I am not in the least apprehensive of any uneasiness amongst them. Please to make my kind good wishes to C: Ourry and tell him I Congratulate him on the Fine Prospect of a Speedy Recovery.

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You will also please to Accept of the good wishes of

Dear Sir

Your Most Humble and Most Obedient Servant

THOS BARNSELEY

P: S: Three Q<sup>r</sup> Casks are Arriv'd for you in Mr Croghans Waggon which Tom has put into the room under that were you liv'd in

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Barnsley June 10<sup>th</sup>  
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(June 11, 1762)

ARTHUR HAMILTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 209, A. L. S.]

[Lancaster, June 11, 1762.]

Sir /

I arrived at this place yesterday, And as Cap<sup>t</sup> Croghan Could not Possibly Go this Way to East-town he gave me a few memorandums relating to some business of yours Which I have Executed. I have seen the Carpenter that Worked at Prisque Isle in the year Sixty, his name is Crush, he says it is out of his power to Wait of you this year no Can he possibly untake any Work, As he is Engaged in more than he can possibly Compleat this year, I also Called of Co<sup>t</sup> Shippen, Who Will Air & Sun the Bundles of Furrs. There is little or no news at this place

I am with Respect Sir  
Y<sup>r</sup> most hum Serv<sup>t</sup>

ARTH<sup>r</sup> HAMILTON

Lancaster 11<sup>th</sup> June 1762.

Henry Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup>

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton June 11<sup>th</sup>  
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LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 211, A. L. S.]

Philad<sup>a</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> June 1762

My Dear Collonel.

Yours of the 20<sup>th</sup> last Ultimo I received June the ~~the~~ 4<sup>th</sup> And according to your orders I shall sett out for Newyork the Beginning of next week, And if it were agreable to you I should have been very glad for to have gone to Detroyit. I shall take perticular care of M<sup>r</sup> Mathers letter, Inclosed I send you the Account of the sale of his efects, And shall send you the Note for the money p Cap<sup>t</sup> Bassett. I likewayes send you inclosed the wagoners receipts for the cloathing &c; There was near four loads. I have sent the Invoices of each load, but I doe not know the wagoners names, But left that Blanck for Symons to fill up, There is some Q<sup>r</sup> Casks Markd Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Dow, none of them are mine they belong to Levy. I should be extreemly sorry if this should give you any offence If it had not been for Symons, it would not have been in my power for to have got a single Waggon.

We pay 45/ pC and the Ferrage over the Susquehanna, youll please order on of the best Waggons for to Bring down the Damage gun-pouder from the Province store, For Plumstead and Francks,

There is in a small Box directed for you A Regemental Coat and waist coat a Hatt one for C Barnsley one for Ens/ Pryce, I could not find a pair of Briches of the kind you wanted amongst the great number of Cloaths you have And M<sup>rs</sup> Willing would by no maner part with your Truncks, But still keeps them, And your things will be much Better there as she Aires them I shall aske Dembler for the sketch and measures of the Falls.

I have spoke to Irwin, about your mares, his Anser to me one of them was sold and the other Dyed, But he is on of the Ingratefull Rascals, I should wish to have him and many more of his kind as much under the command I have had them, they should not find the same civilities shown them.

I am extreemly sensible of the many repeated proofs of your kindness to me, and shall always acknowledge it, And it would have given me very great pleasure to have had my son under your care, his beeing at Presquisle and now his goeing to Niagara, his given me very great uneassiness, When its agreable to you to order him to Fort Pitt will lay me under very great obligation

The 46<sup>th</sup> Regiment the 4 Independent Companys and a Thousand Provincials are all Imbarkd, and faln down to the Hook, They have no



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Artillery Coll/ Burton commands, But which way they are to go is not known, the 58 Reg<sup>t</sup> is expected at Newyork every day. Gen/ Monckton is likeways expected there. Cap<sup>t</sup> Gordon is gone on the expedition.

I had a very agreeable letter from Col/ Walsh, who recomended my son for his good Behaviour in all the Action at Martinico, he is now gone on the expedition, God send them all good success Brown Assures me, he sent Millars list with the court Callander, I shall wryte you from Newyork with the Return of the N<sup>o</sup> of Bales and casks left there

I am with great respect  
My D<sup>r</sup> Coll Yours always

JAS DOW

Excuse this long letter

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Dow June 11<sup>th</sup> 1762

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ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 210, A. L. S.]

Prisqu'isle 11<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Sir

I relived L<sup>t</sup> Dow the 4<sup>th</sup> instant he left this the 9<sup>th</sup> for Niagara.

Capt<sup>t</sup> Schlosser, Arived hear the tenth & Setts of the twelvth, Aggreable to your order delivered to me by him. I have incloss'd the Mens Names who have a right to there discharge, at this post. Major Walters told me I was to supply S<sup>t</sup> Duskie with provision, I have Wrote to him, that I was at a loss what to do, having but one Batteau. I hope the letters have Come Safe to You, I sent from this the 5<sup>th</sup> I am Sir

Your Most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ens<sup>n</sup> Christie June 11<sup>th</sup> 1762



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COL. GEORGE MERCER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 213, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, June 12, 1762.]

My dear Sir

A few Days since, I was favoured with your very polite and friendly Letter, which I determined to answer by the ferry first Opportunity, but now I am told an Express has been sent you from hence within a few Days; in this particular then, I have erred through Ignorance, and I know I shall escape even Censure, for I have already found you promising Forgiveness, where I deserved a small Rebuke; but I told you the Truth, and put myself on your Mercy, and surely I can not complain of your Award, for though you somewhere say; speaking of no very great Virtue -- you only, yet after my acknowledging I deserved a small Rub for being negligent, for I must avow & affirm I was not forgetfull, I can not fail being overjoyed, when I see it from under your own Hand that you will scold no longer, and that if I will be tolerably exact, you will not be less so: well now my dear Sir, I will most assuredly take you at your Word, and from this Time forth endeavour to convince you that no one is, or can be more desirous of your Correspondence, and as I know upon what Terms I may expect, & how much I shall be a Gainer by it, let it lie at my Door, if I give Cause of Complaint.

I am much obliged by your friendly Advice, but can not pretend to say when I shall have an Opportunity of convincing you of it by more than Words. I have really no Aversion to Matrimony, and a very great one to Rambling and though I am convinced that the one would cure the other, yet I can not make the Application. I wish we could comit Matrimony in what they call the polite and reformed World, on the same prudent and rational Terms that even the Savages themselves do, then I might venture; I would engage to be as constant as the wisest and most sedate of the Onondago 1 Sachems, if after a few Months Trial, I found all Matters & Things would suit, but to tie a Knot which nothing but Death can loose and which I believe many would after chuse as the lesser Evil, Oh thou Luther, thou Calvin, and all thou Reformers of Religion and Morals, couldst not with all thy Sagacity Wisdom and Penetration have fixed upon some Method by which we might hope to be tolerably happy even after an unlucky Marriage. could you not have established Matrimony upon a rational Scheme, & without obliging two Persons diametrically opposite to each other in Temper Disposition & Nature, who after a few Months or Days Experience must detest and despise

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each other more cordially than any one else of the whole Creation, to drag out an insupportable Life of Jarring, Discontent, Feevishness, Scolding & Misery, Circumstances from which Nothing but Death or Adultery can free Them? Was it prudent [---] to establish so great a Reward, for so enormous a Crime? in short I wonder so many are so long unhappy when the Law has prescribed such a Method to relieve Them? These Reflections I assure you, new do not proceed from any Dislike to, or Quarrel with, the Sex -- for could I only persuade myself, that I could make any particular Lady happy, & that at at-least I might hope for a Return from her -- I would marry in five Minutes after.

I am greatly pleased to find my Resolution of quitting the military Life approved of by so good a Judge, and more especially as I think it the first necessary Step towards what you so strongly recommend on another Occasion leaving off rambling, and becoming a Man of serious Character, if any thing could effect such a Change.

Nothing would be so agreeable to Me, as to kiss your Hands here or any where in the Christian World. I long much to see you, and would be even satisfied to go through another 1760 could I enjoy so much of your Company. I hope you are not gifted with a prophetic Spirit when you say you are to undergo an endless Banishment -- certainly it can not continue much longer. you will be soon relieved from those Regions where you can experience no real Felicity, deprived of all agreeable Society & exposed to the Clamour of the Delaware, the Perfidy of the Shawnesse -- the Noise of the Tawaw, and the Treachery of the Mingo, and in short -- the Damnation that is attendant on the whole Race of Barbarians -- a Plague & Pain that beggars all Imagination to those whom Experience has not given some faint Idea. I most heartily sympathise in your disagreeable Situation and your Fatigues tho let it be worse than We can say, if you do not move down soon, I will break through all Difficulties and visit you on the Ohio -- even tho like Hannibal's Self, I should be obliged to force a Passage through the Sideling Hill the Allegany & the Laurel, with Fire Iron & Vinegar, I will not be discouraged. Adieu my dear Colonel. Use Me freely for your Interest, when, how & where -- for with a most unfeigned Degree of Sincerity my Heart tells my Pen to subscribe Me

Your most sincere & obliged Friend & hble Servant

G<sup>O</sup> MERCER

Phil.<sup>a</sup> June 12<sup>th</sup> 1762.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Geo: Mercer 12<sup>th</sup>  
June 1762 answ the 15<sup>th</sup> July

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LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 215, A. L. S.]

Le Bocuff 13<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Sir

I received your favour of the 20<sup>th</sup> May by Cap<sup>t</sup> Schlosser. I have inclosed to you the account of Provisions that I have received & Issued since I came here from the 7<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1761 to the 24<sup>th</sup> May 1762. The account which I have sent to you is what I made out of the Book which I keep but as I am not well acquainted with the buisness & not noing the metod of keeping accounts so well as I coud wish I may have made some mistake but am sure there never were eany waist of provisions or eany made a way to my knowlidge. I was not there all the time I was some time at Presqu: Isle I believe you will find the account is gest the defitience I am certain is not: owing to waist it was owing to my not noing the buisness & the method of keeping accounts I have sent you all I know about it I hope you will not think that the defitiences are ~~not~~ owing to eany waist or extravegance I write to you some time agoe acquainting you of the defitieny in the Barrels both of Beef & Flower some of them were not above halfe full which were filled up with salt & some with Stones about thirteen Barrels of Beef & Flower & one had twenty & thirty Pounds taken out as neigh as I coud gess I had no convenacey of waying therefore were oblidge to gess it last summer I let M<sup>r</sup> Case have a Barrel of Beef & a Barrel of Flower which he as not payed he gave me his word and honour to pay it he write to M<sup>r</sup> Clapham to pay it me I have received a letter from him who tells me he will pay it me a send it up by the first opportunity I shoud have acquainted you of it before but as he promised as he ~~promised~~ me he woud pay it me immediately was the reason of my not writing you to acquainting you oof it I shall send down for Provisions when ever the Creek permits I shall be glad if you woud send up a pair of Stillards The pair I had are broak I am at a greate lost to way the provisions. have received from Cap<sup>t</sup> Schlosser a Keg of Whiskey which he desired I woud acquaint you of it & likewise a Keg of powder from Venango but no Balls.

I am Sir

Your Most Ob<sup>t</sup>. Humb<sup>l</sup>e Servant

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Guy 13<sup>th</sup> June 1762, Received 21<sup>st</sup> July Answ<sup>d</sup> the 5<sup>th</sup> Aug

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Bouquet or Officer commanding at Fort Pitt



(June 13, 1762)

CAPT. THOMAS BARNESLEY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 217, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt the 13<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Dear Sir

I take this Opportunity to Enquire after your Recovery as by my last from Doct<sup>r</sup> Boyd I was Acquainted that you had been Extremely much Bruis'd and Scratch'd, but that he was in great hopes you would recover very soon, as there was no bones broke; I therefore do not know any thing would give me more pleasure than to hear that you was thoroughly recover'd in good spirits and in health. As to Capt Oury it cannot be expected that he should get well so quickly, but by all Acc<sup>ts</sup> I hear he is in a good way, which I am extremely glad of; and hopes he will continue Recruiting his health and Strength daily.

I must Observe to you that Notwithstanding the trouble you and I have taken, the practice of Smugling is not yet put a stop to. On the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst I Received a Letter from Serj<sup>t</sup> Troup Acquainting me that William Price who had your permit to bring Metcalfs Liquor, had sold a horse load of rum to Byerly at Bushy run, that the partys was afraid to let the Serj<sup>t</sup> know of it, therefore agreed that Price should leave it in the woods and proceed on his journey and Byerly fetch'd it in the Night. I had price Secur'd as soon as he came here who Confess'd the whole to me, and as I did not chuse to put the Crown to Expences made him give Security to fetch the rum from Byerlys in two days, he went of that Night and returnd with the rum Yesterday which I have deposited in the Kings store, and sent the man down the Country. The Serj<sup>t</sup> has wrote me word that Byerly & family abuses him Very much about it, I therefore have Acquainted Miss Everly (who came here this morning to Sollicit the rum back again) that if they did not leave of Abusing the Serj<sup>t</sup> that I would send a party of Men, and have the whole family brought here and Confind till your Return, and sent her of in a huff without the Rum. ha, what do you think, was not that

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speaking like a Commandant. But as I have often heard Complaints of thier Abusing the party at that Post, Should be glad when you return that you would give Byerly and family a Severe Check on that head.

There is four or five Indians come from the Meamis, and that way, who wanted to hold a Council with me, but I Directed them to Major Ward who sat in Council with them Yesterday, where the Calumet of peace was Smoked over and Renew'd, and the Chain brightend, They produc'd a Treaty of peace Written in 1750 on Meamis River and Signd by George Croghan and Andrew Montour with the province Seals of Virginia & Pensilvania, they desird to Have that Renew'd, they also said that they and thier whole Tribes are very poor and desird some presents which I have refus'd on Acct of Your and Croghans absence, they also Complain that the Traders that way imposes on them and makes them pay too dear for their goods, as likewise that they do not bring powder and lead Enough to Serve every Tenth man, They also hint (as Maj<sup>r</sup> Ward tells me) that there is some French on the Illinois that are striving to Spirit up thier Young men against the English, the whole is defer'd till Yours Or George Croghans Return, in the meantime his Majesty the King of Portugal has assur'd them they shall not be Hungry as I have Orderd them to be fed out of his weekly allowance.

Mr. Ephraim Blane I believe does not chuse to proceed to St Dusky therefore the Sending of the flower must be defer'd till another Opertunity.

Wee are all in health and good Spirits, only five Reported Sick this morning, the Garrison behaves well, and everything goes on with the Greatest Harmony

I am

my Dear Sir

Your Most Humble and Most Obedient Servant

THO<sup>s</sup> BARNSLEY



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MAJOR JAMES LIVINGSTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 219, L. S.]

[Fort Cumberland, June 13, 1762.]

Sir

Mr Greenfield Just Informs Me that he saw a Gentleman of Credit in Winchester from Augusta County in Virginia that Inform'd him that Cap<sup>tn</sup> Israil Christy: had been to the Cheerokee Nation with Goods and in their Return home was Overtake by a party of the Cherokees: who Toke their Goods and Other Mirchandiz to the Value of £ 1500: allso kill'd One of his Men

JAM<sup>S</sup> LIVINGSTON

Fort Cumberland June 13th: 1762

To Col<sup>o</sup> Bouquet

P: S: Inclosed you have the News Pappers

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Livingston

[Addressed] On his Majesties Service To Colo Henry Boquett  
Commander of his Majesties Forces at Fort Pitt

7 o'Clock P. M. I've just recd this and the two Letters accompanying it from F. Cumberland And as it is a fine cool Evening, forward them by Foot Express, [thersher], as it will procure me the pleasure of heering from you tomorrow.

(June 14, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 221, A. L. S.]

Ligonier June 14<sup>th</sup> 1762

Dear Col<sup>l</sup>:

By the different Pack Horse men that come up, I have the pleasure of hearing, that you & Cap<sup>t</sup> Ourry are recovering fast.

Every Day I have a number of ef People soliciting for Plantations. Inclosed is the names of the People with their situations, provided you aprove of it. I am very busy with my Hay, tho' M<sup>r</sup> Davis is not yet come down, I hear nothing of Major Ward, exept, that he does not know when he'll come down ~~if~~ or if he'll come at all, I beg you'll be so good as make my Compliments to Cap<sup>t</sup> Ourry and M<sup>r</sup> Baillie

I am

Sir

Most sincerely your H. Serv<sup>t</sup>

A BLANE

P: S. I am just going to Marry Gaspar Doup's Son to one of the young girles after which, she says, she wont be so Shy, as when you were here

A: B:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] L<sup>t</sup> Blane June 14<sup>th</sup>

[Addressed] To Col<sup>l</sup> Bouquet at Bedford

(June 15, 1762)

MAJOR EDWARD WARD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 222, A. L. S.]

[Fort Pitt, June 15, 1762.]

Sir. }

There Arived on the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup> A chief Man of the Wawayough-  
tinne, of Indians with a fiew of his own Nation and a few Indians  
who live at a Great distance to the Westward of the Posts that  
Lieut<sup>t</sup> Jenkins Commands at this young Chief came from said Posts.

The 12<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup> at 10 Ck<sup>k</sup> this young Chief sent a speaker to  
Inform me that he and an old Chief of the Pieyankeishuka Nation Who  
Came from the Post where Lieut<sup>t</sup> Holms Commands At, That they would  
deliver me a speech at 12 O Clock and that they Requested that the  
Commanding Officer should be Present.

I waited on Captain Barnesley and Informed him of the  
Message I Received, Captain Barnesley and I Concluded it would be  
most Prudent to put them off til the Arival of M<sup>r</sup> Croghan or Your  
Arrival and if that they would not be put off that I should Excuse  
his not Waiting on them as we Judged they would Grave Presents.  
Those Indians would not Wait a moment but would deliver their  
speech at the time Appointed by them

After the Ceremonies was over at our Meeting the Young  
Wawayoughtinne Informed me that he spoke for those Indians Present  
and all the Indian Nations to the Westward that were in Allience  
with them He then Expressed how Cincerely all those Nations of  
Indians were Attached to their Brothern the English and that they  
were Rejoiced that they had a Clear open Road to Come to their  
brethren with many speeches of this Kind all tend to give us a Just  
sense of their Friendship he then laid before me the Writings of a  
Treaty held by M<sup>r</sup> Croghan which Pass'd between those Nations of  
Indians and the Governments of Virginia and Pennsylvania in the Year  
1750 and this he said was the first of their Allience with the  
English that they Ever held this Treaty in the greatest Esteem and  
that they never had Violated their Promises made in S<sup>d</sup> Treaty tho'  
some of their Unthinking Young Men had been Active in the War in  
favour of the French but that they were but a few

That they Esteemed it as the greatest Blessing that they  
now had the Opportunity to Renew their Friendship the Young Chief  
gave a large Pipe and in a little time after he gave a Beaver Blanket  
to Conform the Truth of what they said and of what they had to Say.

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The Young Chief Begg'd Amunition and Clothing for the Several Nations that was in Allience with him

And they Related the Distresses and what they suffered by the War soon After I Received this speech I went to Captain Barnesley and he and I Concluded it would be most Prudent to Acquaint those Indians that it was not in our Power to grant them Presents that their speech should be Communicated to the Commanding Officer and to M<sup>r</sup> Croghan that we Expected M<sup>r</sup> Croghan would Return to this Place in Six weeks that the time might be longer or shorter of M<sup>r</sup> Croghans Arival that we were Sorry we Could not Grant their Requests that at M<sup>r</sup> Croghans Arival they would Receive an Answer to their speech that they should have Provisions and that we would treat them as our Brethren during their stay with us

The 13<sup>th</sup> Instant at 10 OClock I met those Indians and after the Ceremonies past on Each side I gave them for Answer what Captain Barnesley and I had Concluded on After they had Received my Answer they Prest several times for a small Quantity of Amunition and Cloathing but when they found it was to no Purpose and that I could not ~~gr~~ grant it they then Concluded to Wait the Arival of M<sup>r</sup> Croghan or your Arival

Those Indians made A Complaint of the Treaders at the Post where Lieu<sup>t</sup> Jenkins Commanded at they say that those Traders takes Ten Bucks for a stroud that those Traders takes no less than two Buck skins for one Buck and three Doeskins for a Buck that they sell every thing as Dear as their strouds and that they take their Furs at a disadvantage as they do their Deerskins.

I informed them that M<sup>r</sup> Croghan would settle all those Affairs for them at his Arival

I learn that the Delaways are to have a Counsil at this time and at which they are to determine the time of their going to the Treaty

I am Your most Obedient Humble Servant.

EDWD WARD

Fort Pitt, 15<sup>th</sup> June 1762.

To Col<sup>o</sup> Henry Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Ward 15<sup>th</sup> June 1762  
Indian Affairs

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SERG. ANGUS M<sup>C</sup>DONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 224, A. L. S.]

Fort Cumberland June 17<sup>th</sup> 1762

Honoured Colonel

I hope this will find you in better health then when I saw you last. I have been at RidStone and paid off my men to the last of march, and put things in order as nothing may suffer in my absence. your honour was pleased to say you would write to Doct<sup>r</sup> Mercer: I know things would go the better with me if you Did: if your honour has any letters for Virginia I should be glad to Carry them: as I shall stay till the Bearer Returns: The Bearer Tho<sup>s</sup> Crafts is one of the men stiationed at the great Crossings and wants to have your promis that he shall not Be turned away before he makes any more Improvements at that stage they have got Corn growing and will, in a little time make that post Very usefull for travelers: they give Every Body satisfaction that goes the Road

I am Honoured Colonel at your Command

ANGUS M<sup>C</sup>DONALD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serj<sup>t</sup> M<sup>C</sup>Donald 17<sup>th</sup>  
June 1762

Pay the trunk

The Shot Lt Dow

Cap<sup>t</sup> De Haas



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LIEUT. JAMES RALFE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 225, A. L. S.]

Lancaster 18. June 1762

Sir/

I have spoke with Houseacre Bars Serv<sup>t</sup> who assures me he has never been at the Works since he has been there; Barr has behaved well in the affair, stopped all prosecutions 'till he saw me, and says he has never seen or heard a Word of him since he deserted, and what he did was only in behalf of his partners, and if it had been his own affair would not have concerned himself about it, and as I am now in Town his partners are pushing him to carry the Action on which he has refused 'till I hear from you. I told him what Doct<sup>r</sup> Thompson said, which was, If I would give up all Claim to the Servant the matter should be settled, this Barr says was without his knowledge; whatever you think proper I will do and be Extreemly obliged to You for your Advice in this and on Evry other Occation in which I might apply to you for which I shall take the liberty of doing being convinced of your Friendship for me.

I should have wrote to you before now Concerning that Damn'd Rascall y<sup>r</sup> Old Servant Frank who is here now dressing like a Gentleman Riding about follicking and at the Head of all partys of pleasure with the Dutch Girls here which makes me think he certainly must know something of the Money you lost at F. Pitt I would have secured him but could not tell what Method to take, I have set persons over him to see what Quantity of Money they could find about him but they could never find any great Sum, if they had would have immediately confined him, but without proof should have got myself into a Scrape as the Majestrays of this Town are a lot of Rascalls as they are in most part of the province and as I am not a great Friend amongst them would take a pleasure to trouble me.

I am  
S<sup>r</sup>  
Y<sup>r</sup> m<sup>t</sup> obdt<sup>t</sup> hble Serv<sup>t</sup>

JAS RALFE

Tis with great pleasure I inform you Stevenson has been obliged to pay John Smith 400 £ more for the plantation he bought when he was prisoner with the Indians & now Evry Dutch Farmer calls upon him

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for their Warrants and threatnens to go to philad<sup>a</sup> if he does not do them Justice.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Ralfe 18<sup>th</sup> June 1762  
answ<sup>d</sup> the 2<sup>d</sup> July

[Addressed] To Colonel Bouquet Commanding his Majestys Troops  
at Fort Pitt

(June 20, 1762)

CAPT. RALPH PHILLIPS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 229, A. L. S.]

Fort Bedford y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Sir

Having been Detain'd longer than I Intenden, Accasioned by Very Urgent Business which Required my Presence at Carlisle, and unexpected to me when I left Pittsburgh, I hope that You will Be good Enough to Excuse me Taking the Liberty of going So Much farther than to the Pleace, which I askt Your leave for at Fort Pitt As you have Left no orders for me hear, I will leave this tomorrow and go to Fort Pitt the Day after, if Possible, that My Horses will Carry me.

I am Sir

Your Oblig'd and Most Obedient & Humble Servant

RALPH PHILLIPS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Philips 20<sup>th</sup> June  
1762

[Addressed] To Col<sup>l</sup> Henery Bouquet

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ENSIGN WILLIAM HAY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[D. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 227, A. L. S.]

Niagara 20<sup>th</sup> June 1762.

D<sup>r</sup> Sir /

I was very happy to receive your kind Letter by Cap<sup>t</sup> Schlosser who arriv'd here Yesterday, at y<sup>e</sup> same time it gave me y<sup>e</sup> greatest Concern to hear that you had met with an accident but hope by this time you are quite recover'd

I should have thought myself very ungratefull had I not taken y<sup>e</sup> first Opportunity to return you my sincere thanks for this fresh Instance of y<sup>r</sup> friendship & hope my future Conduct will meet with your Approbation as I have form'd a Resolution to avoid falling into my former Errors & hope I shall succeed; I must likewise return you many thanks for y<sup>r</sup> being so good as to say you would recommend me for y<sup>e</sup> first Vacancy, & hope if it is in your Power you will get me kept in this Battalion in y<sup>e</sup> room of some of the Officers who does not do Duty in it, as I would be very sorry to leave you & y<sup>e</sup> rest of my friends;

We have no News here but what y<sup>e</sup> Major will write you all our Gentlemen begs you would accept of their Compliments & I am

D<sup>r</sup> Sir

Y<sup>r</sup> most obliged & most obed<sup>t</sup> H: Serv<sup>t</sup>

W<sup>m</sup> HAY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Hay 20<sup>th</sup> June 1762  
Received the 21<sup>st</sup> July

(June 22, 1762)

EDWARD ST. LEGER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 231, A. L. S.]

Salt Licks 22<sup>d</sup> June 1762

Agreeable to your honours orders in behalf of James M<sup>c</sup>Collough I have Used my utmost endeavours to help him to his son who is prisoner here and all to no purpose, after we had agreed with the Indian who has him prisoner and paid him ten pound for giving up the boy he went back from his agreement and would not part with him on any Acc<sup>t</sup> he told me he was given to him in Lew of his brother who was killed & that he would not part with him but that he would keep him as a brother and god knows the poor boy has a Dogs life instead of a brothers life the man has waited here this fifteen Days thinking that the Fellow Detain'd him expecting to get more for him then what was agreed upon but all in Vain, him and I went to the town where he lives Yesterday to Get a possitive answer about the Matter & his answe<sup>r</sup> was that if all the prisoners was Given up that he would Give him up to, but that he was sure they would not all be Given up, and whilst there was a prisoner in the Delaware Nation he would keep him, and that there was word sent to him from Guyahague from the Cheifs of the indians there not to part w<sup>th</sup> that boy on any Acc<sup>t</sup> whatsoever. haveing related all I Can inform y<sup>r</sup> honour about the affair I make bold in the most humble manner to Subscribe my self Your most Effectonate most obedient.

Humble Serveant to Comand

EDWARD ST<sup>t</sup> LEGER

P: S The Indians Name that has him Prisononer is Delaware tom or C<sup>t</sup> Tom he Goes by both he lives at Mohoning twelve Miles from here

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] St Leger Trader 22<sup>d</sup> June 1762

[Addressed] To Col<sup>o</sup> Henery Bouquet Esq<sup>r</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Commandant of the First Batt<sup>n</sup> of his Majestys Royal American Regim<sup>t</sup> att Fort Pitt

(June 22, 1762)

LIEUT. WILLIAM LESLYE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 232, A. L. S.]

[Michilimackinac, June 22, 1762.]

Dear Sir

Capt<sup>n</sup> Campbell Wrote me some time agoe to procure you a few Martins & other sorts of small peltrie which I would have done before now but there is no Indians as yet come here from lake superior & the martins they Kill here are not worth sending I Expect the Indians from that quarter soon & shall do my endeavour to procure you some of the best of each kind you want.

I have Wrote to Capt<sup>n</sup> Campbell at the desire of Sergt<sup>t</sup> Commings of his Company Who has passed the Winter here in a bad state of health, he would be glaid to be discharged, from the Service & if it is Necessary would pay for an Other man, or be obliged to find A good man in his place, if its possible to be done I should look upon it as A Very particular favour to Obtain the Serjts<sup>s</sup> discharge, I should not pretend to ask this favour at present if I did not think that the Service would lose nothing in getting an other good Man in his place.

I am Most Respectfully

D<sup>r</sup> Sr

Your Most Obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

WILL<sup>m</sup> LESLYE

Michilimackinac 22<sup>d</sup> June 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Leslie 22<sup>d</sup> June  
1762 Received 11<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet Commanding his Majestys  
troops Fort Pitt



(June 22, 1762)

MAJOR WILLIAM WALTERS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 234, A. L. S.]

Niagara 22<sup>d</sup> June 1762

Dear Colonel

[I have] your two letters one dated 19<sup>th</sup> May and one of the  
24<sup>th</sup> I had [ . . . ] to [ . . . ] by Captain [Basset . . . ]  
I think [ . . . ]  
you [ . . . ] at which my [arrival . . . ] to their  
[ . . . ] arming]  
[ . . . ] his]  
[ . . . ] Pay]  
to pay no fee for [the provisions . . . ] has wrote me  
that he is Determined, that Prisquisle & Sandusky shall be supply<sup>d</sup>  
with provisions from this Garrison, as the Sending provisions to  
the Last mentioned post from Pittsburgh has been attended with an  
[ . . . ] Expence I shall Endavour [ . . . ]  
in geting [ . . . provisions to this post] that [ . . . ]  
[ . . . Sandusky]  
[ . . . ]  
[ . . . as]  
[ . . . ]  
[ . . . ]  
[ . . . order]  
[ . . . ]  
here with [ . . . ] their care to forward  
[ . . . proportion when Ever his  
Batteaus shall arrive I am glad my Letters of the 4<sup>th</sup> April and  
7<sup>th</sup> May Arrived Safe I wrote to you by Ensign Christie the 25<sup>th</sup> May  
and Enclosed the Return for the [ . . . ] is come  
to hand [ . . . ] of June [ . . . ]  
[ . . . ] offered the men [ . . . ]  
[ . . . ] during the War but  
[ . . . content] to Receive it  
[ . . . ] that I shall [ . . . ] and Shall  
[ . . . ] Receive it  
[ . . . ] M<sup>r</sup> Dow.  
[ . . . ] could be a  
[ . . . ] would gladly  
[ . . . ] in his Room  
I am only [ . . . ] for the Account of the  
promotion in the first Battalion and have given them in orders  
accordingly

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I can not think any Women can be Intitled to any provision  
but Such as [ . . . . . with the Regiment]

I am dear Colonel

Your most obedient & Most humble Servant

W<sup>m</sup> WALTERS

Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Major Walters 22. June  
Received 21<sup>st</sup> July 1762

(June 24, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 236, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuff 24<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Sir

I inclose you the returns for the twenty fourth of June. I have not made them out according to the form you sent me. As I had mislaid the Coppy of My last return which I sent you, but shall send them, for the futer according to the form which you sent me. I mentione'd to you in my last that there were know Stillards at this Garrison that were fit to weigh eany thing shoud be glad if you woud send a pair. The men here are in very greate want of Shoes, Shirts & Stockings.

I am

Sir

Your Most Ob<sup>t</sup> Hum<sup>bl</sup> Servant

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut<sup>t</sup> Guy 24<sup>th</sup> June 1762  
Received 21<sup>st</sup> July

(June 24, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 237, A. L. S.]

Detroit 24<sup>th</sup> Juin 1762

Sir

I had the honor to write you lately by Capt<sup>t</sup> Callendar; a Serjeant and fifteen Men Arrived here the 13<sup>th</sup> Instant, from Niagara to reinforce this Garrison and the Posts; The General writes me he had ordered Comodore Loring to Niagara to gett the Vessels into the lake with all Expedition; he likewise acquaints me he proposes to take Posts in lake Superiour more Banishment for some unlucky fellows.

I have inclosed you the Monthly Returns of the Company and detachments.

Pray be Soe good, as inform me in your next on what Service Bontinck is at present. Nothing new at Detroit, The Indians have allmost forgot the Rum

I am Sir  
with all Respect  
Your Most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

My Compliments to all your Gentlemen

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Campbell 24<sup>th</sup> June  
1762 Received the 17<sup>th</sup> July answered the 22<sup>d</sup> by Moris

(June 24, 1762)

ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 239, A. L. S.]

PrisquIsle 24<sup>th</sup> June 1762

Sir

I have inclos'd the returns of this Garrison, in the return of Tools & Ammunition, there is Mentioned, two boxes Cartridge, but in both boxes, there is not above 1/2 box. And the Powder returned in the Kegg does not exceed 3 p not fitt for Use.

I have Apply'd to Major Walters for a half Barr<sup>l</sup> powder by Capt<sup>t</sup> Schlosser, the Batteau which went to Niagara with him is not return'd.

I am Sir

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Humble Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Christie 24<sup>th</sup> June  
1762 Received 21<sup>st</sup> July

(June 25, 1762)

MAJOR JAMES LIVINGSTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 240, L. S.]

Fort Cumberland June 25th 1762

Sir.

Inclosed you have the state of this Garrison, as to the Artillery there is no Alteration since Last Return; My party has Returnd from Winchester which I sent for one John Jones who is a Diserter from the Royal American Regiment & who is Inlisted into the Virginia Regiment but they Coud not get him unless they paid the Bounty which he Receivd from the Virginians it being Ten pounds. I shall set out Tomorrow morning for Winchester with two Deserters from the Virginians & shall then Enquire into the Matter Relative to the other & shall pay wha[t] is Allowd by Act of Parlemint which

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is Twenty Shillings Ster<sup>g</sup> I shall be glad youd inform me what sum  
you woud Allow for the Carraige of, Two Boxes of Ball from this  
to Redstone as several has Appld to me to Carry the same

I am Sir  
Your most Obed<sup>t</sup> Hu<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

JAM<sup>s</sup> LIVINGSTON

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M<sup>r</sup> Livingston June 25<sup>th</sup>  
1762

(June 29, 1762)

COL. ADAM STEPHEN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS, 21648, f. 241, A. L. S.]

[Fredericksburg, June 29, 1762.]

Dear Col

We have the misfortune to have had the Small Pox Break out  
amongst our reecruits, and as we are crowded here; I beg you will  
please to order us about a dozen of the best of our Tents which we  
left at Bedford in the year 1760.

I have sent off 189 recruits for the British Battalions,  
and we have about 500 good men at this place, besides Several  
Recruiting parties out I am glad you escaped So well in the Chaise.  
I am with great Esteem,

Dear Col.  
Your most Ob<sup>t</sup> hu<sup>ble</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

ADAM STEPHEN

Fredericksburg June 29<sup>th</sup> 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Stephen 29<sup>th</sup> June  
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