

**John St. Clair to George Washington, June 22, 1758,  
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**FROM COLONEL JOHN ST. CLAIR. <sup>1</sup>**

CARLILE THE 22d. June 1758

SIR

I am extremely sorry that a great Quantity of Powder Horns for the second Virginia Regiment were sent up from this place before my Arrival, so there will be no possibility of getting them for you untill you arrive at Fort Cumberland, you must do the best that you can without them. I hope you have received the Kettles & Canteens from the mouth of Conegogie, I have received the three hundred Arms that was sent there, but by mistake they have sent me up the two hundred Hatchets, which likewise shall be sent up to you to Fort Cumberland. I have enclosed you a march Route for a hundred of the N: Carolina Provincials that ought to be at Winchester, they will serve for an Escort for Mr. Walkers second Convoy of Provisions. You'll please tell the Commanding Officer that any Carriages he may want upon his march shall be paid for upon his giving them a Certificate of their Service. The other two hundred of them that arrived at Alexandria are to march up by Fort Frederick I wish you with all my heart a good march and hope soon to have the pleasure of Joining you. My Compliments to Mr. Commissary Walker, tell him a Commissary is sent down to Alexandria to take Care of the N: Carolina Provincials there and that he'll be so good as victual those at Winchester.

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I am Sir Your most Obedt. & most humble servant JOHN ST. CLAIR

The Black is arrived<sup>2</sup>

1 Addressed to Colonel Washington, "or the Commanding Officer at Winchester."

2 In his letter of June 24 to Colonel St. Clair, Washington wrote: "Among the enclosed you will find a letter from Mr. Strother, concerning the French negro I wrote to him for, by your desire. This Negro is a shrewd, sensible fellow; and may be useful, if he was not sent in to the Inhabitants for the purpose of discoveries, rather than of his own accord, for the purpose of escape. He is well acquainted with the Ohio and its dependancies, but hath been longer from Fort Du Quesne than I at first understood. He will set from this tomorrow with a waggon which I shall send towards Fort Loudoun (in Pennsylvania) and I shall desire that he may be forwarded to you from thence."