

**John Carlyle to George Washington, August 22, 1758,
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FROM COLONEL JOHN CARLYLE.

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DR. SIR

I Was favd. with yours of the 9th. & 20 Int. In Answer to the former you have A Letter from Me to Mr. Simons. Yr. Other covers the rect. of my two last & am Glad I had it In my power to give you the Satisfaction of Copethorns Safe Arrival, the General Accounts of Sales for Tobacco this Yr. has been from 7 to 10£ per hhd & its the received Opinion it must be higher, The Prospect at Present being So bad that All Agree this Whole Colony will Not make more The 10000 hhds. & those that Can will keep up their Tobacco for a Price & by All Accounts from home their is No Quantity on hand —

The Present Prospect of any Thing being done this Year To the Wt.ward Seems very bad but as I am a prejudiced Person Agt. Sum of the Gt — Men on that Comand, I dare not find fault Least I Should not make Proper Allowances, I am greatly Obliged to you for Yr. Account of Affairs, & heartily am Sorry for Yr. & many other Gentns. Situation Who If they had Leave wou'd be of Service to a Country that has done all (nay more than was(In Their power to Carry on The Warr to Advantage —

Colo Fairfax has Wrote You lately, as Also has Jno. Pattinson Relateing Your Buildings. It must be from Sum Currious Eye or Sumthing of that kind that hinders Your Not Receiveing

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Letters from him, for I have Seen Several & have forwarded Sum As to Knight I cannot Say So much for As I donot So Often Converse With him only In General I am told Youl make A Good Crop & What of It I have Seen You have the best Corn & Tobacco In this County & dare Say Jno. Pattinson has your Interest At heart as much As If it Was his Own —

Nothing New has happen'd here Since You left this the Ladys here & at Belvoir desires their Compts. to You — They Joyn Colo Fairfax (who is here) Mr. Dalton & me In hearty Wishes for Yr. Health & Safe Return to a Life of Ease & Plenty — I am

Dr. Sir Yr. obliged Hble Sert. JOHN CARLYLE

P. S Mr. Ramsay is much Wanted at Winchester & here & dayly Expected — Yrs. &c

J. C.

The Inclosed Letter for Mr. Ramsay Contains Matters of Moment to him & Us & If his Come Away Wch We Are In hopes he is We desire Youd Inclost. it back to us — Excuse this Trouble from

Yrs. &c C & D¹

1 Carlyle & Dalton.