

[Gov. Hamilton to Sharpe.]

Original.

Philadelphia March 24th 1762

Sir

I am favour'd with yours of the 15th instant by M^r Johns who also deliver'd me the Comission from Our Proprietaries for extending the time limited by the Articles for running the dividing lines &c. And I am much obliged to you for forwarding it; Having been in great pain for some time past, least It should have miscarried

Having spoken to our Comiss^{rs} on the Subject of your letter I find them very desirous, in consideration of your necessary attendance on the Assembly, to oblige you, by postponing the meeting of the Commissioners to the 15^o of April. But if it must be delay'd till that time, they would be extremely glad, that it might be at Philadelphia, as M^r Allen, M^r Coleman and M^r Chew will be indispensibly obliged to attend our Supream Court and therefore cannot leave the City.

If However it should be too inconvenient for You & the Comiss^{rs} of Maryland to come to this Town, (which I shall be sorry for) they will then meet you at New Castle on the 22^o of April, which is as soon as the Business of the Supream Court will admit of. I beg you will acquaint me with your determination upon this head as soon as with Convenience You can. in the mean time I am with much regard & Esteem, Sir

your most Obedient and most humble Servant
James Hamilton

Governor Sharpe

[Amherst to Sharpe.]

Original.

New York, 28th March 1762

Sir,

An Officer Arrived here last Night, with Letters from Major General Monckton, giving me an Account of the Signal Success of His Majesty's Arms under his Command, in the Entire Reduction of the Island of Martinique, on which Great, and Glorious News I most heartily Congratulate You.

The Citadel of Fort Royal Surrendered by Capitulation (the Garrison becoming Prisoners of War) on the 4th February, in Consequence of Two Defeats the Enemy received on the 24th & 27th January in their out posts, where, it seems, they had Every Advantage of Situation they could wish for; but our Troops with the most Irresistable Impetuosity Carried Every thing before them. Immediately on the Surrender of Fort Royal, Deputies from a Majority of the Quarters of the Island, Came in & Submitted to terms of Capitulation, whereby