

Copy of a Letter from Captain John Machintosh Moore to Mr. Harman Verelst Accomplant to the Georgia Trust dated from St. Sebastian June 24th 1741 and received 29 Dec.

Sir

This is the second time I wrote you since my confinement here. In my last I gave you a particular account since I left the Darien in Georgia until coming into the Common Jayl of St. Sebastions in Old Spain. In case my first did not come to hand, I give you a short account of myself, that you may understand who writes to you. My name is John McIntosh who commanded the Settlement of Darien, at the beginning of the War. Gen'l Oglethorpe sent for me gave me a Captain Commission, Recruited a Company, went along with him to the Siege of St. Augustine, was ordered to Scout nigh it and molest the Enemy. I punctually obeyed my orders until seven hundred of the Spaniards Sallied from the Garrison killed the most of is took a few Prisoners where I had the bad fortune to be one. You are to observe we had but Eighty five, they as I was well informed by themselves. Three Hundred killed on the spots besides several wounded. They brought what Prisoners they had to St. Augustine which was about Twenty, there we remained in close confinement for three months, afterwards sent to the Havana and remained there three months more, but I must [?] the Governor there treated me and two other Gentlemen who had the Character of being Ensigns in the Hon'ble the Trustees Troop of Rangers [?] civility, and had the Liberty of the City for our confinement. We were sent from thence to this place to our Misery. Tho' the Governor of the Havana sent me here as Capt'n of Foot it gave no better Treatment then to be confined in the Common Jayle and allowed no more than bread and water. I thought proper to acquaint you with this that it might be made Publick. The reason I trouble is, the little correspondence I had with You by writing when at Darien. And what compleats my Misfortune and makes it really worse than any other of his Britannick Majesty's Subjects is, that there was no Inquiry made concerning me whether Dead or Alive, nor do I know whom to apply to, therefore I expect you'll please be so good as to Inquire and apply to the proper persons for my Releasement and a little Credit to my self, and the other two Gentlemen who has served the Trustees in the Troop of Rangers these five Years, to support us in our Necessitys here. I having faithfully Served the Hon'ble the Trustees for five Years, besides the Love I had for my King and Country made me forsake my Wife and Children and all my Effects, so that now I hope by your good Endeavours in Representing my case I shall have no reason to complain if God spares me to see England. I am

Sir with great Esteem
Your most Obedient humble Servt.
John Machintosh Moore