

Sir

I have desired my Son General Cortlandt
who is now at Philadelphia to write to my ^{nephew} ~~son~~
Major Philip V Cortlandt and to Judge Thomas
Jones in London to send to him or to me a certain
article of Settlement between the late ^{husband} ~~Coll~~ Henry
and my Aunt Gertruyd his wife bearing date day
of 1726 which was deposited into the hands of
the late ^{then} Governor James De Lancey. Whose
papers I am informed are in the possession of
Judge Jones, and as I am the only Surviving Execu-
you will Sir oblige me Exceedingly to mention this
to Major Cortlandt and Mr Jones, and that one of
them or yourself would please to forward the
above Instrument as soon as convenient by the
Packet or otherwise as I make no doubt but that
it will put a stop to a Law Sute depending
and as it is a family affair I am the more anxious
if possible to have it settled in an amicable
manner especially as I am far advanced in
years nearly four score and if not settled in my
time the difficulties will be the greater

I hope

Hope Sir you will excuse this scrawl
And believe me to be with Great Respect
Your most Obedient and Very Hum^l Serv^t

Feb^r 1000-

W^m V^l C

Peach Hill
Cortlandt Town
Westchester County.

If you think this will Answer any
good Purpos^e I would be oblig^d to you
Answer or you can forward it