

Dear Sir

New York 9th June 1783

My long silence has from a variety of incidents been
unavoidable, tho' a frequent wish for that purpose, & however unex-
pected am obliged to open my correspondence on a subject now become
necessary, which I hope will apologize with my uncle for obtruding it at present
the time is now hastening when it will be my lot to bid Adieu
(perhaps forever) to the land of my forefathers, my family which will
be all my earthly riches, shares my fate, I may want some support
for so large a stock whether I am going, which if in your power to
afford from the legacy of my Aunt Bickman & Depeyster, tis now it
will be of service & merit the acknowledgments of your brother's son
who has now nothing left to boast but a heart disposed to act from
the dictates of an honest conscience, which has ever been my study
from my earliest youth — if I have erred, tis the lot of humanity,
& not to my charge, was the scene to be repeated, I should do as I have done
let not a difference of political sentiments separate the ties
of nature which were cemented by heaven in purity — it may
be my lot to be cast on a distant shore, but my affections are the same,
should it ever happen that you hear me mentioned, you will never
have

never have occasion to blush at my having sullied the name
with acts of cruelty, inhumanity, or oppression - my greatest
enemy cannot charge with either —

M^{rs} Cartland has often expressed her wish to see you
a pleasure she flattered herself with since our 20 years marriage
I now with our Rachel joins me in love to my Aunt & Family —

I am D^r Sir Most Sincerely

Your Affectionate Nephew

W^m Cartland

Philip Cartland
son of the above
written letter,

June 9 1783

The Philip & C^o
- indico account
to George & C^o
had 23 children