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## Letters & Contracts

1. Marriage contract of Mr. John Baptiste and Miss Laura Francoise Le Mesle on March 1, 1756 (translated from French). Signed and sealed in Grenada on December 17, 1764 by Romefort. Contract includes names of family members, debt responsibility, inheritance, slave delivered to the bride, property etc. Contract is also available in French.
2. Extracts of letters:
  - a) July 13, 1771 - Messrs. James & Ang. Boyd to Messr. Wood & Trevanion
  - b) July 20, 1771 - Messrs. James & Ang. Boyd to Messr. Wood & Trevanion
  - c) July 27, 1771 - Messrs. James & Ang. Boyd to Messr. Wood & Trevanion
  - d) Note: Encloses copies of two letters from Messrs. Boyd & Bordeaux
  - e) Note: Mr. Bosangnet from Amyand
3. Letter (French) dated November 22, 1771 – illegible signature
4. Undated note requesting a meeting to discuss father's desires regarding estate
5.
  - a) Letter to Mr. White Cranicourts from Le Mesle Lataste dated November 1771
  - b) August 15, 1771 – Chamberlagne & White
6. Note to W. Price from I. Amyand re: uncle coming to town (seal shows clearly)
7. Copy of letter to John Harvey from London re: payments dated June 22, 1765
8. Letter from John Harvey to Sir George Amyand re: adjoining Lataste Estate and negotiating for sale dated March 31, 1765
9. Undated letter (French)
10.
  - a) Copy of letter from Mr. Waldo to Edward Horne dated February 13, 1766
  - b) Copy of letter from Mr. Waldo to John Harvey re: terms of lease on estate dated March 20, 1766
11. Fragments of letters re: estate of Rochambard property of Madame Regis contracted for by John Harvey for which he has given up in name of George Amyand dated July 5, 1764
12. Copy of letter to John Harvey re: agreement to purchase Rochambard estate dated July 12, 1764
13. Extract of letter from John Harvey to Messrs. Wood & Trevanion re: treaty for small estate called Letaste & Tiffons dated May 20, 1764
14. Copy of letter from John Harvey re: estate of Madame Regis dated July 27, 1764
15. Copy of letter from John Harvey re: Lataste & Toyfons Estate dated February 11, 1766

16. a) Copy of letter from John Harvey to George Amyand re: acknowledgment purchase of estate dated September 11, 1764  
b) Copy of letter from George Amyand to John Harvey re: acceptance of conditions dated December 21, 1764
17. Letter to Mrs. Regis re: estate and mention of John Harvey dated December 11, 1764
18. a) Letter from John Harvey to Messrs. Wood & Trevanion re: terms of payment for estate dated August 16, 1764  
b) Extract of letter re: parting with Letaste Teyffons Estate dated October 19, 1764
19. Letter (French) to Madame dated December 14, 1764
20. Letter from Mr. Wood to Mr. Trebel re: payment to estate dated April 11, 1766
21. Note Mr. Waldo attend Mr. George re: enable Messr. Wood & Trevanion to give bond to Mr. George dated April 11
22. a) George Amyand letter re: bills to estate dated May 20, 1764  
b) John Harvey letter re: bills to estate dated May 27, 1764
23. Bill re: amount due on mortgage Lataste and Teyffons Estate
24. a) Letter to John Harvey from Holford re: payments dated December 21, 1764  
b) Copy of letter to John Harvey dated April 12, 1764
25. a) Letter of Attorney re: deeds of sale dated April 1765  
To All Whom These Present Shall Come,  
I John Harvey of the Island of Grenade Esquire send greeting whereas by articles of agreement leaning into the Twentieth day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and sixty three and made between John Anthony Ruilcer of London Esquire of the one part and me the said John Harvey of the other part. *Attorney's acknowledgement on same document signed February 13, 1766.*
26. Traduction faite par nous interprete juré au sage de L'Amirante de Guienne mot a mot suit la Tenuer Grenade  
Le present contract enter trios Parties fait ce dixieme de Septiembre de l'année de notre Seigneur mille sept cens soitant quartre & dans la guatrieme année du Regne de notre Souveivain Seigneur George Trois (Property includes ninety slaves)
27. Contract of sale of Mr. DePradines to Mr. Peter Jacques before Mons Pasquier etc. of a Habitation of 800 by 1200 paces situated in the Plain de Santeurs in the Island of Grenada dated February 13, 1725 (translation February 15, 1765)

28. Contract of sale dated February 3, 1725  
 Contract de vente par M. de Pradrines à Pierre Jacques devant M. Pasquier de Narenne “No.” Royal Dune habitation de 800 pas de large sur 1200 pas de haut, situee a al plaine des Santuers d l’Isle de la Grenade. Signed Fiortion (translation dated February 25, 1737)
29. No. 9 – Sale & adjudication pure & simple due of a habitation of the heirs Jacques to P. Lataste dated April 22, 1743. (twelve sheets string tied, one sheet loose)
30. No. 9 – Vente et adjudication pure & simple due (?) habitation du heritiere Jacques au P. Lataste dated April 22, 1743. (eight sheets string tied, one sheet loose)
31. a) No. 8 - 1739 x Bre 29 A 31 ET 1740 Jannier procès verbaux des operations de Latty arpenteur, pour reconnoitre les bornes de L’habitaõn de la Veuve Jacques a la plaine des Santeurs de l’Isle de la Grenade  
 b) Mr. Harvey’s title deed for the plantation called Brienne in the plain of Santeurs (four sheets, string tied)
32. No. 7 - 1739 x bre 3 procès verbaux des operations de Latty arpenteur, pour L’Etabliss emente des bornes entre la veuve Jacques et les voisins, quartier de la plaine des Santeurs de l’Isle de la Grenade. (six sheets string tied)
33. No. 10 - Sale of la Plaine by the Mrs./Madame Pou Jacq to Mr. Lataste dated August 9, 1754. (six sheets string tied)
34. No. 10 - Sale of the Plantation called Brienner in the Plaine of St. Patrick’s from Mr. & Madam Pou Jacque to Mr. Lataste Recrite de l’habitation de la Plaine (four sheets)
35. a) Le Conseil Soussigné qui a vu le contract de mariage Du Sr. Jean Baptiste Lataste et Dem lle Louise Francoise. Le mesle du premier Mars 1756 sur les doutes proposés. Delibere a Bordeaux le 20 Septembre 1770 – signé DeBreatz (one sheet)  
 b) Translated from French  
 The underwritten counselor who hath seen the contract of marriage of M. John Baptiste Lataste and Miss Louisa Francoise Le Mesle. Deliberated at Bordeaux the September 20, 1770.
36. Wood & Trevanion returning Mr. Harvey’s letters confirming payment of account of purchase of Lataste Estate dated April 10, 1766  
 a) Copy of my letter to John Harvey dated February 14, 1766  
 b) Copy of John Harvey letter to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated January 16, 1766  
 c) Last of deeds papers relating to the Brienne Estate Lease. Release of the Brienne Estate from John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet  
 d) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated December 1763  
 e) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated April 16, 1766  
 f) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated August 18, 1763

- g) Copy of letter to John Harvey from London dated November 1765
- h) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated August 20, 1765
- i) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated February 8, 1766
- j) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1765
- k) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated December 26, 1764
- l) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated November 12 & 26, 1764
- m) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated November 26, 1764
- n) John Harvey to Sir George Amyand Baronet dated September 10, 1764 and October 14, 1764

37. a) Letter from Messrs. James & Boyd re: copy of marriage contract etc. dated 27 September 1770

- b) Teyson's letter to J. Boyd dated July 15, 1771
- c) (Mrs.) Lemesle ve Lataste (widow) dated July 24, 1771
- d) (Mrs.) Lemesle ve Lataste (widow) 8-9 (?) bre 1771
- e) Madam Lataste to Messr. Clairment 7 Linwood
- f) Lataste & Teyson George Amyand dated October 13, 1776

38. a) Mons. De la Toenaye – Description de Estatde (?) habitation de Chantilly dated February 3, 1763. N.B. Mons. de Elpinie Chevalier St. Louis etc.

- b) A mons. Robert Turner
- c) Copy of my (?) letter to Mr. John Harvey dated February 5, 1765

39. Contract dated September 9, 1764

Traduction faite par nous interprete jure au siege de L'Amiranté de Guienne, mot a mot suit le Teneur (four sheets string tied)



## Accounts & Surveys

1. 1832 Plantation accounts Lataste Estate from January 1, 1832 - December 31, 1832 *General account... Lataste Estate in Grenada the property of Sir George Cornwall Baronet.*
2. The late Sir George Cornwall Bart dated December 31, 1836. Signed Chao Banner
3. Request of the Guardians to Trustees estate of the late Sir George Cornwall Baronet dated March 19, 1836
4. Trustees of Lataste Estate Grenada dated April 20, 1839 and June 15, 1838 (two sheets)
5. The 1<sup>st</sup> acct. of the Chas. Baumer as Consignee for the Lataste Estate dated April 20, 1839
6. Letter re: two last yrs. accounts of the Grenada estate dated March 14, 1836
7. Sir George Cornwall Bart from January 1, 1834 – December 31, 1834. Chas. Baumer (two pages)
8. Abstract of the Island Expenses of Lataste Estate for December 31, 1841.
9. Acct. of Chas. Baumer for the Grenada Estate for... year... between Extrise & the trustees of the late Sir George Cornwall, July 1837
10. Plantations Accounts Lataste Estate from January 1, 1831 - December 31, 1831
11. The 3<sup>rd</sup> account of Charles Baumer no consignee of Lataste Estate in the island of Grenada from April 20, 1840 - April 20, 1841 (three sheets)
12. The 2<sup>nd</sup> acct. of Chas. Baumer as consignee of Lataste Estate in the island of Grenada from April 20, 1840 - April 20, 1841 (three sheets)
13. In Chancery between Williams Naper Cornwall etc. the second account of Charles Baumer no consignee of the Lataste Estate etc. from April 20, 1839 - April 20, 1840 (three sheets string tied)
14. Messrs. Addie & Co. report approving manager of Estate of Grenada in pursuance of an order dated August 4, 1837
15. The 7<sup>th</sup> account of Chas. Baumer as consignee dated July 1845.
16. The 6<sup>th</sup> account of Chas. Baumer as consignee of Lataste Estate from April 20, 1843 - April 20, 1844 (three sheets)
17. The 5<sup>th</sup> account of Charles Baumer as consignee dated July 1843 (three sheets)

18. The 4<sup>th</sup> account of Charles Baumer as consignee dated May 1842 (three sheets)
19. Account of Charles Baumer dated 1837 (four sheets)
20. Account sales of thirty (?) sugar received by the Apollo Geo. Milne (?) dated July 3, 1837
21. Invoice of Sunday Stores shipped on board the Apollo, Geo. Milne, London dated October 1836
22. London - Charles Baumer dated March 31, 1838 (one sheet)
23. London - Invoice of Sundry (?) stores shipped on Board the Apollo dated October 1836 (one sheet)
24. Account sales of thirty sugar imported July 13, 1835 (two sheets)
25. Account sales of forty... sugar imported September 1, 1832... account of Sir George Cornwall Bart etc. Letter dated April 17, 1834 cover letter enclosed to you your amount current last year Charles Baumer... other accounts 1833, 34, 35. (ten sheets)
26. In Chancery between William Naper Cornwall etc. the first account of Charles Baumer as consignee of the Lataste Estate in the island of Grenada appointed by an order dated August 4, 1837 and report dated December 12, 1837 from the time of death of Sir George Cornwall the Testa (?) in the pleadings named April 20, 1839. (twenty-five sheets string tied)
27. Verbal process of the survey of the land ceded by Mr. de Pradines (?) to M. Defours taken by the Sieur Moreau surveyor April 21, 172. Certified conformable to the minutes delivered the present expedition to Mr. Harvey in Grenada February 15, 1765. signed Piniel (?) (five sheets thread tied)
28. Plan des Habitationes de la Riviere Calebasse et de la Plaine de Santeurs en l'Isle de la Grenade , 15 Fervier 1765 (drawing of plan with English translation).
29. Lataste Estates – General Account  
Abstract of the books for Lataste Estate in account current with Murdock C. Mitchell. List of sixty-five male and seventy-six female slaves on Lataste Estate including names, age, colour, country, and conspicuous marks dated December 31, 1833. (nine sheets string tied)
30. Lataste Estate 1834  
Abstract expenditure for Lataste Estate in account current with Murdock C. Mitchell. List of fifty-six male and thirty-eight female Negros on Lataste Estate including names, age, colour, country, and conspicuous marks dated December 31, 1834. (eight sheets string tied)

31. Lataste Accounts 1835  
Abstract expenditure for Lataste Estate in account current with Murdock C. Mitchell. List of fifty-six males and sixty-eight female apprenticed laborers. On December 31, 1835 there were fifty-six male and sixty-four female apprenticed laborers. (six sheets string tied)
32. Lataste Estate 1838  
Oddie Forster & Lumley - Lataste Estate in account current with Thos. H Whorwood (four sheets string tied)
33. Island Expenses – Lataste Estate 1839  
Abstract of the Island Expenses of Lataste Estate in the Parish of St. Patrick in the island of Grenada (three sheets string tied)
34. Oddie & Lumley - Copy Account of Mr. Whorwood as island manager of Lataste Estate in Grenada in 1842 (two sheets string tied)
35. No. 706 - Classification of Negroes on Lataste Estate in possession of MC Mitchell attorney (one sheet)
36. General summary for years ending in December 31, 1830; 1831; 1832; 1833; 1834; and 1835 (one sheet)
37. Lataste Accounts 1830  
General Account of the Island Disbursements on Lataste Estate, the property of Sir George Cornwall Bart, from January 31, 1830 – December 1830. Lists the increase and decrease of slaves on the Lataste Estate during the year 1830 (two sheets string tied).
38. No. 7 - At the requisition of the Widow Jacques on December 3, 1739 at noon at the requisition of Margaret Asselins (?) of the deceased Peter Jacques – the underwritten Surveyor Royal surveyed the habitation. Signed December 27, 1739 (twelve sheets string tied)
39. No.8 – In the year on December 29, 1739 at the request of the widow Jacques inhabitation in the Quarter of La Plains in the Parish of Santeurs of this island of Grenada. We surveyor royal in the same island certify...
40. Copie d'une plan figurative de l'habitation attaché au contract de vente en faveur de Jean Harvey.
41. Account of bills drawn by Mr. John Harvey on account of his presence of the Estate from Lataste
42. Land Survey  
Procés verbal de la reconnaissance du terrain que Mr. DeCours... Avril 1721 certife confirms a la minute et delivere... a Mr. John Harvey... 15 Fevrier 1765. (four sheets string tied)

