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Dullingham January ye 19th 1712/13

I received this day, your Joint letter wth the inclosed from Coll: Lambert who by his former letter seemed to have a prospect of what since happened as to yd damage done to my Plantation wch was not done by Capt Burwell but by Major Gilliard his Partner who as I was advised last Summer thereing so doe and might have been prevented from so doeing, if the Governour had been pleased to interpose his authority but my letter must have come to late to have requested that favour of him, Therefore I told you when we treated That I could only let yd Plantations wth the Appurtenances whatever they should bee for I could not then tell what was upon it and if the State and condition be worse than when I received the proposals in other respects it is now become much more valuable by reason yt yd Island will be now entirely yd English and the damages sustained by the war and Hurricanes in other Islands will make Sugar a most valuable commodity and consequently Plantations more worth, I give Intire credit yt Coll Lambert writes but cant but think it Strange that Capt Burwell and Major Gilliards dwelling houses and the boyling houses Sugar Works and Mills should be destroyed as if an enimie had invaded yd Estate only (and doubtless Satan was there for wch somebody is answerable and I leave it to you Judge whether yd white man who Coll Lambert put upon the Plantation did nothing there and whether he Suffered my Negroes to Idle I know they might have cane tops for cutting of yd cane and question not but yt they have planted good Store in the right season the Coll having notice that we were agreed upon terms from wch I doe not intend to depart but if you doe that fault and blame must lye at yr door for I dont know what you can expect from me more than I have done to put an end to this affair and give me leave to say that it is you and Mr Merriweather that have been long wanting on your parts to execute yd agreement made with me unto wch if once wee make a breach I dont know where or when it may end therefore I must Insist upon it and abide by it, I hope you dont think but yt I can have 200 ℔ Annum with Cattle securing for my bare Plantation in yd condition it is in as case now stand wth that Island but I am not wavering or unconstant and I love to be better than worse than my bargain and I have a great value and esteem for Coll Lambert and shall cordially imbrace so good a Servant wth wth my humble service to you both concludes this from him that is

Gentlemen

Yr very humble servant

To Mr Ollicofe & Mr Richard Perry

Jan 19 1712.

Mr. Micajah and Mr Richd Perry

Relation to Col Lambertos Lease

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