

Letter from McAllister

Aug 1<sup>st</sup> London 1746

Dr Dugald

I wrote you this way fortnight - according to my Lord's desire & it is surprising that since we left the Country you have never wrote to me - I had (a) now letter from Sandy Mackay - advises me of the intended distribution of the prize money taken at  
Dumbarton by Carroll & Mr Clunes wherein he says

I am to draw no more than £60 & the rest of the Captain's £90. I would <sup>expect</sup> ~~wish~~ you (that you) would let me know of this - in <sup>a</sup> turn i the reason for it - I would <sup>ask</sup> the Gentlemen to <sup>ask</sup> Carroll of what they do in this affair & I am to <sup>ask</sup> ~~ask~~ no better friends & still from them it is more <sup>likely</sup> ~~likely~~ I expect & I think - I deserved at their hands - However I shall say no more on this subject until I have less certainty of it from you - only if he makes it apparent (?) to the world what services my company did for the common cause & what expenses was put to when others lay by -

It is impossible for me to wait for the particular news of his return; I refer you to my letter to the Adm to my Lady & the pamphlets I sent her.

My brother has . . . transactions with one Mr. . . about his cattle - You brother had a great hand in this & refer you to what will (will to you) upon this subject

you & John Gray <sup>of Hopetoun</sup> will be managers,  
are to be the managers, & look upon the  
scheme to be very probable (?) & will enrich our shore  
I send you their disarming act which I think you'll  
show to the Gentlemen about you - I have sent one  
to Carroll over a blank cover since I will not  
write him until I have a return to my last - I  
have no word to add at present - but trust I send  
my love to all friends.

London 17<sup>th</sup> August 1746

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I am once more surprised