



## The French and Indian War in Pennsylvania

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### William Trent's Orderly Book

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Fort Pitt Wednesday June 1st. 1763

G. O. Parole . . . . Dublin . . . . Countersign Corke

The whole Garrison to be under Arms this Evening at 6 o'Clock, the Musitioners, Drummers and Servants to fall in with their Company with Arms and Accoutrament. The Drum Major to Act as orderly Drummer till further Orders

A Return of the Effective strength of each Company including the Militia to be given in at the same time to the Commanding Officer

The Militia to draw Provisions on Saturday next with the Companys they are incorporated into. Commanding Officers of Companys are to see that their Militia are immediately provided with Powder, flints and such Balls as are fitt and suitable for their Firelocks and Rifles R. O. for the day to morrow Lt. Carre

Fort Pitt Thursday June 2d. 1763 G. O. Parole London Countersign Chattam

Quarter Master Clark to get the Provision Return of each Company including the Militia to morrow Morning at 8 o'Clock & inform the Commissary what [*illeg.*] Provisions there will be Occasion to kill. Picket as usual

R. O. for the day to Morrow Lt. Guy

Commanding Officers of Companys to Examine their Militia this Evening at Roll calling if they are all provided with a sufficiency of Amunition & Balls fitted to their Pieces & to see those provided that are deficient

Fort Pitt Friday June 3d. 1763. G. O. Parole D'Trost

The Pickett & Guard to join under the Command of the Officer of the Day, and to be relieved every Evening at Retreat beating, in the day the whole to lodge in the Guard Room & in the Night upon the Grenadier Bastion as usual. The Adjutant will give every

Evening to the Officer of the Day, the Signal, that the Patroles of the out Post will give to the Centenils when challenged by them, which he will communicate to his Centenils. All the Men to receive a Dram this Evening for their good behaviour & another to Morrow to drink his Majestys health it being his Birth day. The Commanding Officer [desires?] his thanks to be given to the Garrison in General for their Assiduity in carrying on their Works with such good Spirit and dispatch & for the future Orders that but one half of the Garrison of Duty be ordered for Work in the Forenoon and to be relieved by the other half in the afternoon. For the Parade to Night 3 Serjts: 3 Corps: & 60 Pt for the day to Morrow Ensign Hutchins

Fort Pitt Saturday June 4th. 1763. G. O. Parole the King. Countersign George which is to be given by all ↑ Rounds and ↓ Patroles within and without the Garrison to the Centinels when Challenged by them, upon which they are to be allowed to pass. As it is necessary (for more ease to the Men) to divide the Garrison into two Reliess and a Captain being wanting, the Commanding Officer is pleased to appoint Lt. Carre to do duty as Capt Lieut for the time being and he is to be obeyed as such. Capt. Phillips Division for duty to Night to Consist of Lt. Guy Donallen, McKee & Milligan 6S. 4C. 2Drs. 96RF to be relieved to Morrow Morning by Capt. Lt. Carre Lts. Baillie, Hutchins, Fleming, & Graber 5St. 2Drs. 96RF. The Quarter Master to Visit the Barracks every other day to see that they are kep Clean & Void of all nuisance that might infect the Garrison which he will report to the Commanding Officer, he is also to deliver this Evening to a Serjeant of each Company two Quarts of loose Powder which they are to distribute to those Men that have Cartridges & see that they strength each Cartridge by adding one third of an Inch of length to it. The Commanding Officer recommends it to the Men (that in case of an Attack) they will keep themselves cool and not rashly throw away their Amunition, by firing without being sure of seeing the Enemy before them & by such Caution and Conduct they may assure themselves of success & he begs that all the Officers will have a particular Attention to see this Order obeyed. The Commanding Officer of Artillery to order one half of his Detachment to their Post at Picket mounting in the Evening to remain there all Night. Work to morrow as usual. And when the Drum beats for the morning Working Party to leave off. The Afternoon Party to fall on for Work— Each Man to have one Pint of Beer issued to him to morrow Morning at Noon by the Serjeant Major. All Orders concerning the Men to be read to them by an Officer of a Company at Roll calling in the Evening

Fort Pitt Sunday June 5th 1763 G. O. Parole Werminster. Countersign York No Horses to be suffered to go loose about the Fort. The Quarter Master to see this Order is obeyed— He is also to take a List of the Number of the Women and the Children in each Barrack Room which is to be given into the Commanding Officer at two o'Clock in order to have a proper number put together and prevent the Men from being crowded & disturbed— As they Dogs about the Garrison make ↑ dayly ↓ great Disturbance & in case of an Attack might make great Confusion in the Garrison by their Noise that no orders could be heard or executed—It is therefore the Commanding Officer's positive Orders that all the Dogs without exception that are not tyed up after four o'Clock this afternoon shall be killed & that a party be ordered immediately to put this Order in Execution. It is likewise the Commanding Officers Order that the Wolf & Bear be immediately killed or

put out of the Fort

Fort Pitt Monday June 6th 1763 G. O. Parole Philadelphia Countersign Bath

All the mens arms to be discharged or drawn this day between the Hours of Eleven and one o'Clock on the Monongehela Curtain, an officer of each Company to be present & to see that every Man (after having unloaded his Piece) Whipes her clean and loads her again. Capt. Carre to order those men on duty to do the same, permitting only one half of his Guard to unload at one time. The Cattle to be watered once every day & fed with Spelts twice. Viz. at 10 o'Clock in the Morning and four in the Afternoon, at which time the Women to turn out to cut the Spelts, and in case any of them refuse so to do they are to be confined in the Guard Room. A Covering Party of 1S. 1C. 20Pt to be sent with them from the Guard. The Capt. [of?] the Guard to continue a Corporal and 8 Private to kill or drown the Dogs.

Fort Pitt Tuesday June 7th. 1763 G. O. Parole Jersey. Countersign Grant

In case of an Alarm the Guard to take the Posts they occupy at Night and all the Men of duty to take their usual Posts of Allarm Viz. the Granideers upon the Granideer Bastion. The Generals Company upon the Ohio Bastion, Capt. Ecuyer's upon the Monongehela Bastion. Capt Gordon upon the Flag Bastion, Capt. Cockrane upon the Musick Bastion. The Lt Colonels the Reserve under Major Trent's orders— This Disposition to take place till further Orders; and no Woman at that time to be suffered upon the Ramparts or to appear out of their Rooms except such as are bringing Water to Men— Regular Centenils allways to be posted at the Bridge Gate and Sally Ports, who in case of an Allarm are to permit no Body to go out of the Fort without leave from the Capt. of the Guard

Fort Pitt Wensday June 8th. 1763 G. O. Parole Harwick. Countersign Pearth

Return of the Strength of each Company to be given in to the Serjeant Major at two o'Clock. A Covering Party of an officer 1S. 1C. 30Pt to Parade at half an hour past two o'Clock and to march to the Spelt field turning out all the Women that are able to use and cut with a Sickle, also 5 or 6 Men to move the Spelt It is then to be brought into the Charge and care of the Cattle Guard, who are to dry it in the Sun and Stack it, and the Serjeant of that Guard to be answerable that a proper quantity be equally given to the Cattle dayly, once in the forenoon and once in the Afternoon

Fort Pitt Thursday June 9th. 1763 G. O. Parole Cumberland. Countersign Cork

as the Commanding Officer thinks it necessary for the Benefit of the Garrison to have three Reliefs, a Return to be given in to morrow Morning of each Company including for duty, the Servants (who are to mount Guard with their Masters) 4 Drummers and all the Artificers except the following Viz. 8 Shipwrights, 2 Bakers, One gunsmith, two waggoners, One Gardner the names of which the Serjeant Major will acquaint a Serjeant of each Compy

Fort Pitt Friday June 10th. 1763 G. O. Buckingham Countersign How

The Provisson Store to be surveyed immediately for that Duty Capt Phillips Lt. Donnalén Ensign Hutchins— Capt. Phillips will report to the Commanding Officer the Quantity they may find a necessity for Condemning  
Ensign Hutchins & Mr. McKee are appointed to duty with the artillery till further

Orders— For Guard to Night Capt Phillips Lt. Donnalén & Devenport 5S. 1D. 69RF  
The Serjeant of each Company that is of duty to give in to the Adjutant every  
every Morning a return of the Effective Strength of the Company for duty that day.  
Mentioning those excused & unfit for duty on the Back

Fort Pitt Saturday June 11th. 1763 G. O. Parole Boston. Countersign Wales  
For Guard to Night Capt. Carre Lts. Fleming, Milligan & Christy 5St. 1D. 71RF  
All the Chimneys to be swep this Afternoon, but none of them to be cleaned by setting  
them on fire— The Q'Master to see this Order complied with & also Give Orders to all  
the Women against washing in the Barracks Rooms & Governors House  
Fort Pitt Sunday June 12th. 1763 G. O Parole Salisbury Countersign Watch  
for Guard to Night Capt. Philips Lt. Baillie & Greber 5St. 1D: & 71RF  
The Woman to wash at the Batteau Shed in the Lower Town twice a week viz. Munday  
and Thursdays at which times they will have a Covering Party from the Guard of a  
Corporal & 6 Private

Fort Pitt Munday June 12th. 1763 G. O. Parole England. Countersign John  
for Guard to Night Capt. Carre, Lts. Donnalén & Davenport 5St. 1Dr. 70RF

Fort Pitt Tuesday June 14th. 1763 G. O. Parole Anapolis. Countersign Job  
For Guard to Night Corps. Philips Lts. Fleming, Milligan & Christy 5St. 1Dr & 70RF  
Fort Pitt Wensday June 15th. 1763 G. O. Parole Charlotte. Countersign Mark  
The Commanding Officer is very much surprised & displeas'd at the Exorbitant Price (he  
is inform'd) some Persons have charg'd the poor & unfortunat People in the Garrison  
for Indian Corn. And it is his Orders that none of it be sold above the Rate of 6/per  
Bushell and that whoever has sold it higher since their coming into the Fort, to return to  
the buyer the Overpluss— Serjts of Company to see all their Men provided with two  
firelocks and all the Militia with Tomhawks when under Arms this Evening— The  
Militia allways to parade with their Tomhawks— One Relief to march at two o'Clock  
this day with Single Firelocks to Destroy the Fences and Chimneys of the upper Town for  
this Duty Lts. Donnalén & Davenport 4St. 40R&F with Arms, 30 Rank & file with  
falling Axes Pick axes and Spades. All the Women to carry Water to fill the Empty Casks  
upon the Ramparts at 4 o'Clock this Afternoon, the Casks to be equally distributed &  
properly plac'd upon the Bastions and Curtains For Guard to Night Capt. Carre, Lts.  
Baillie & Graber 5St. 1Dr. 69R&F. No Work this Afternoon

Fort Pitt June 16th. 1763 G. O. Parole Amherst  
Head Quarters New York the 4th. May 1763 Orders  
His Excellency the Commander in Chief makes known to the Army that the definitive  
Treaty of Peace, between his Majesty and the most Christien and Catholick Kings, [is?]  
signed; to which orders observance will be had. Signed Jeffery Amherst [Gen?] O. When  
ever a Covering Party is order'd out, whoever may Command the Party, is not upon any  
Account to allow any Man to pass his Centinels without a written Order from the  
Commanding Officer of the garrison & none of the Men to run upon any occasion before  
their Officer but keep themselves cool and wait for Orders and directions, then they may  
allways assure themselves of success, but by runing without directions, they will fall in

disorder, and be out of breath when they come up to engage the Enemy which would be of the greatest disadvantage to them and bad Consequence. An Officer of each Company to see the Mens Arms drawn immediately and the spare Balls to be delivered, by the Serj to the Quarter Master, none of the Arms to be fired of except the Rifles. The Commanding Officer is pleased to appoint John Robertson of the Granideer Company, Serjeant of Militia in his own Company in the Room of Sert [Miller?] [Dead?], and he is to be obeyed as such. For Guard to Night Capt Philips Lts. Donnalén & Davenport 5St. 1Dr. 70R&F

Fort Pitt 17th. June 1763. G. O. Parole America

As a Party is expected daily from Bedford the Commanding Officer makes known to the Garrison that, that Party will have white Garters tied round their heads to distinguish them from the Enemy, tho' their dress will be something like the Indian Manner. And as Express many be expected daily or Nightly—Centinels are to challenge 1: 2: or 3 Persons that may appear in the night two or three times before they fire. For Guard to Night Capt. Lt. Carre Lt. Fleming, Christy and Milligan 5St. 1D & 70R&F

Fort Pitt the 18th. 1763 G. O. Parole Bedford

The Centinels not to allow any Persons to cut grass upon any part of the Ramparts or parapet without leave in writing from the Commanding Officer, nor to suffer any Body but the Workmen to go neer the Fraises as Machines are fixed there, not knowing where they are placed might be wounded or hurt

For Guard to Night Capt Philips. Lts. Baillie & Graber 5St. 1Dr. 70R & F

Fort Pitt 19th. June 1763 G: Os: Parole Granby

The Garrison to be under Arms to Morrow Morning at 2 oClock each Compy. at their Allarm Posts— For Guard to Night Ct. Lt. Carre Lieuts. Donnellan and Davenpo[rt] 5 Serjants 1 Drummer & 68 rank and File

Fort Pitt 20th June 1763— G Os: Parole Darby

As those people who have Indian Corn for Sale think 6/per Bushell too little—refusing too sell it at so reasonable a price by which the poor and necessitous in the garrison are much distressed—The Commanding Officer thinks proper to allow them to sell it at one Doller per Bushell and that whoever shall presume to ask a higher price or refuse to sell it at that rate shall be punished for Disobedience of this Order . . . . The Garrison to be under Arms at 2 oClock to Morrow Morning

For Guard to Night Ct. Lt. Phillips Lieut. Guy, Milligan, & Christy 5 Serjt 1 Drummer & 69 Private

Fort Pitt 21st. June 1763— G Os: Parole Sunderland

As the people who have Cattle are desirous of repairing the Fences near where Collo. Burds House stood they are to be under arms at 2 oClock this afternoon and to march there together they are desired to be very cautious and hurry their work two Peices of Cannon will Cover their retreat

For Guard to night Ct. Lt. Carre Lt. Baillie, Fleming & Greber 5 Serjants 1 Drummer & 69 Rank & File

Fort Pitt 22d. June 1763 G. Os: Parole Aberdeen

As the small quantity of Wood in the within the Fort may be wanted for the Works and is not sufficient to serve for the Common uses of the Garrison The Commanding Officer desires the several Officers Messes to be very saveing of it and orders the private men and Weomen to gather their fire wood in the Lower Town that the Wood within the Fort may be used at the last extremity.— The Dogs being Still noisy at night, and hindering people of their rest whoever keeps Dogs are desired to have them tied up at night Patroles will go round the Fort for the future to kill them and for every Dog they kill they will get half a Crown reward

For Guard to Night Ct. Lt. Phillips Lt. Donnellan & Davenport 5 Serjants 1 Drummer and 67 Rank & File

Fort Pitt 23d. June 1763 G: Os: Parole Dublin

The Monthly returns to be given to morrow at orderly time— For Guard to night Ct. Lt. Carrie Lt. Guy, Milligan and Christy 5 Serjants 1 Drummer 69 Rank & File

Fort Pitt 24th June 1763. G: O: Parole Westminster

For Guard to night Ct. Lt. Carre Phillips Lt. Bailey, Fleming & Greber 5 Serjts. 1 Drummer & 69 Rank & File

Fort Pitt 25th June 1763— G: O: Parole Chatham

The Towns People who have Cattle to go together at 3 oClock this afternoon to make a Fence across the Spelts field beginning so far down as the Spelts are Cut in which part the Cattle may feed.— For Guard to Night Ct. Lt. Carre Donnelan and Davenport 5 Serjants 1 Drummer & 68 Rank & File