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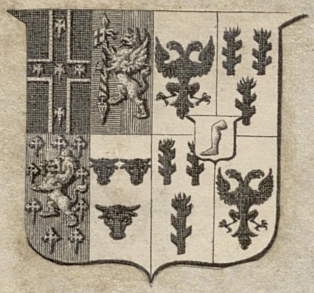

Garbett Walsham.

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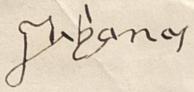
Autographs

Joan, Queen of Henry 4th
dated at Longley, March 15



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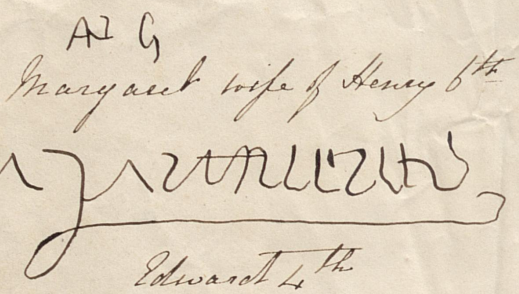

Margaret wife of Henry 6th

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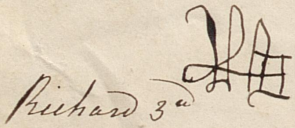

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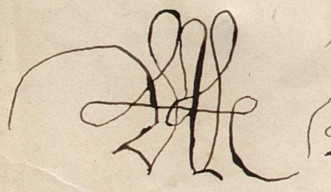

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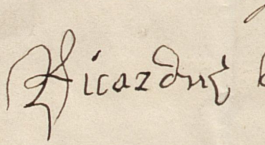

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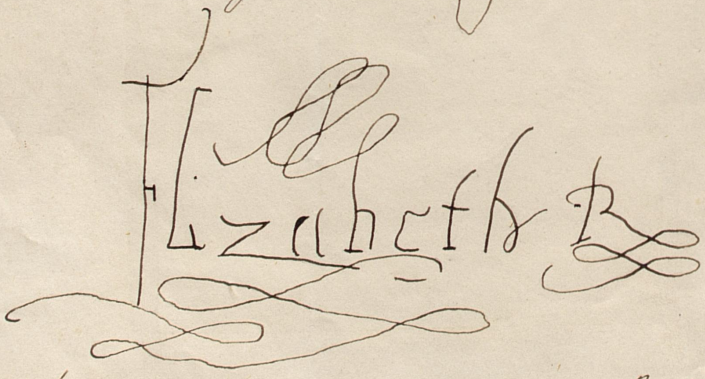
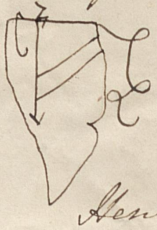


Monogram of Henry 7th in the
2nd year of his reign



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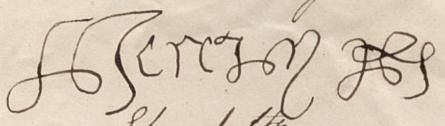

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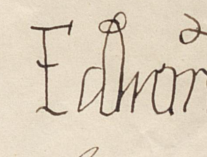

Queen Mary

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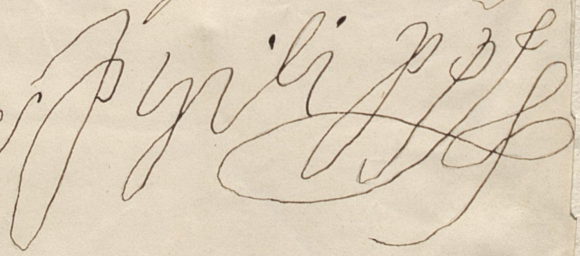
Philip husband to Mary



Taken from the Antiquarian Repository

Account,
— of —
Money received & paid
— for —
His Majesty —

Signed acknowledgement of
this Account Nov. 23d. 1800.

GR

Signature of George 3d:

sent as a Present for [illegible]
which it would be [illegible]
of any Game, or it, and [illegible]
the Jeanne Keeper or [illegible]

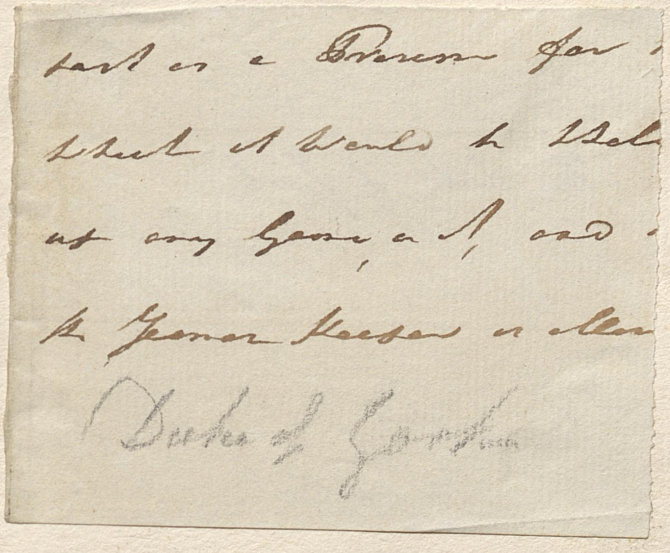
Duke of Gordon

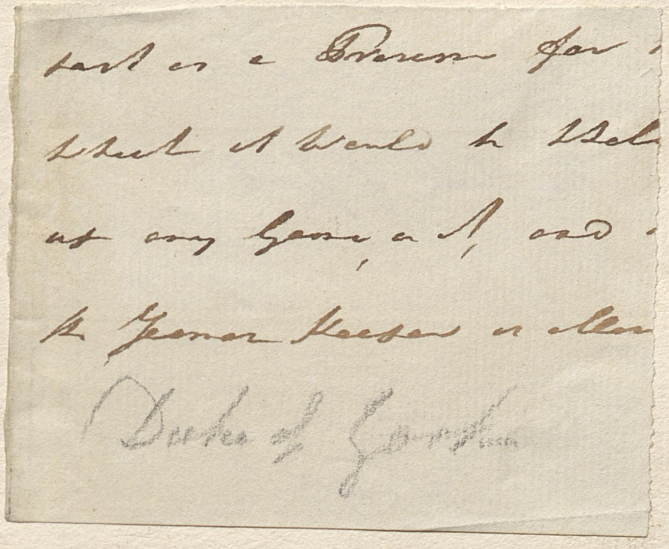
Ce Mercredy Matin

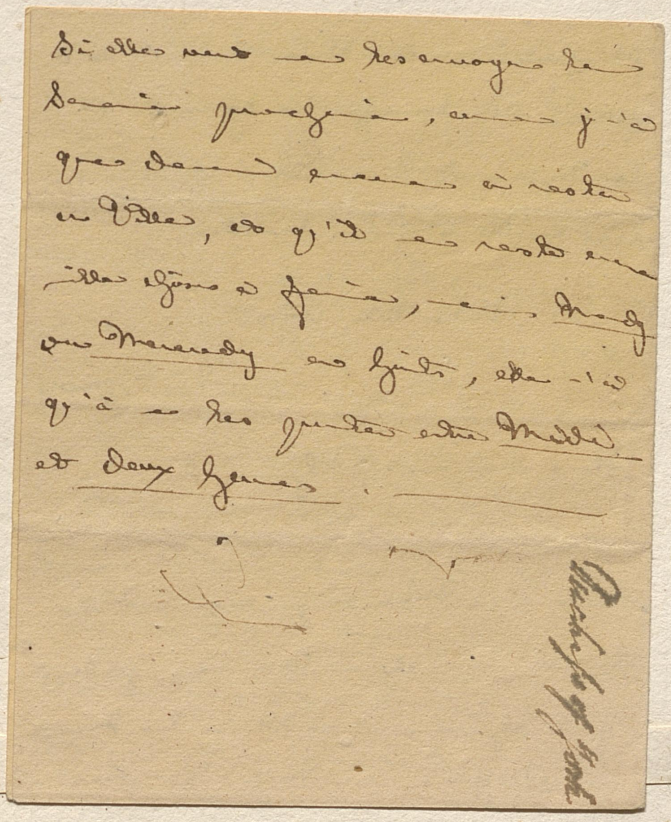
Je me flatte ma chère Amie, que Vous êtes heureusement arrivée à Londres et que Votre Santé, est bonne, je largis de Vous y voir, j'ai mille choses à Vous dire qui me chipotent, cependant ma Santé est bonne, grâces à des longues promenades que je fais à Cheval tous les Matins.

Si Vous n'avez point d'engagement pour demain, voudriez Vous nous faire le plaisir de venir dîner avec Nous, ma chère Amie, et de

Duchess of Gordon







(the King's)

Private.

Her Royal Highness
The Princess Mary
Duchess of Gloucester.

Bagshot Park.

G. R.

The King —

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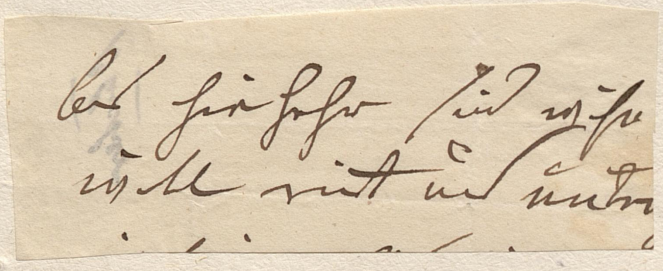
Ps. 55. 22.

Cast thy burden upon the Lord & He shall sustain thee.

1841.

The Queen Dowagers
Autograph
From the Bible Palmes



bis hierhehr sind wir
will nicht uns unter

Blucher.

a letter hour I will write
for you to Helen.

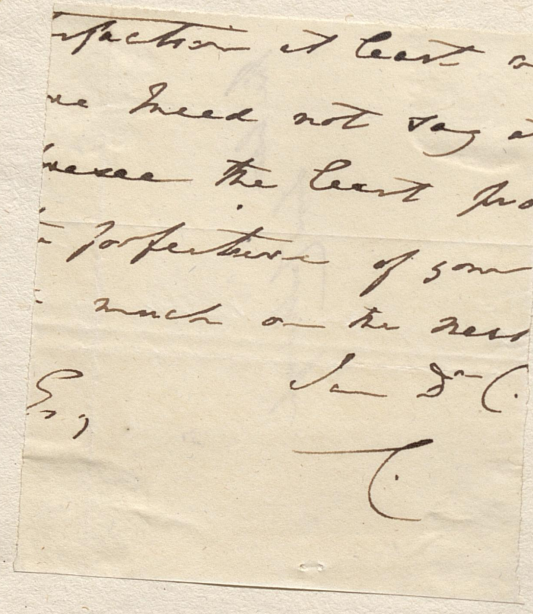
Wellington

Ever Sincerely
Yours
Anglesey

believe me
Ever yours very sincerely
Combermere

Mr Pitt presents his Compliments to
Mr Garbett, & shall be glad to have the
pleasure of seeing him to morrow Morn.g
at 9 o Clock —

Downing Street
Wednesday



Castlereagh

Samuel Garbett Esqr.
at Mr. Wiggins
St. Peters Hill
Doctors Commons

W Pitt



Dear Sir

Mr Honey just informed me you were still in Oxford - I know not whether you will venture to visit again so formidable a person as you have discovered me to be, at least in the opinion of your worthy Dean, but if you will I shall be happy in the pleasure of your company to dinner to morrow, & whenever you are disengaged, but particularly on News Years day -

Yours very sincerely

F Burdett

Dec 29 [illegible]

State
denounced flogging

W

S. H. Fox Esq

My Dear Sir

You are very good & your delicacy overcomes mine - So accept my best thanks,

Yrs
Vassall Holland

8 June
1840 —

Lord Holland

Recd 8 June } 1840
" — " —

no answer

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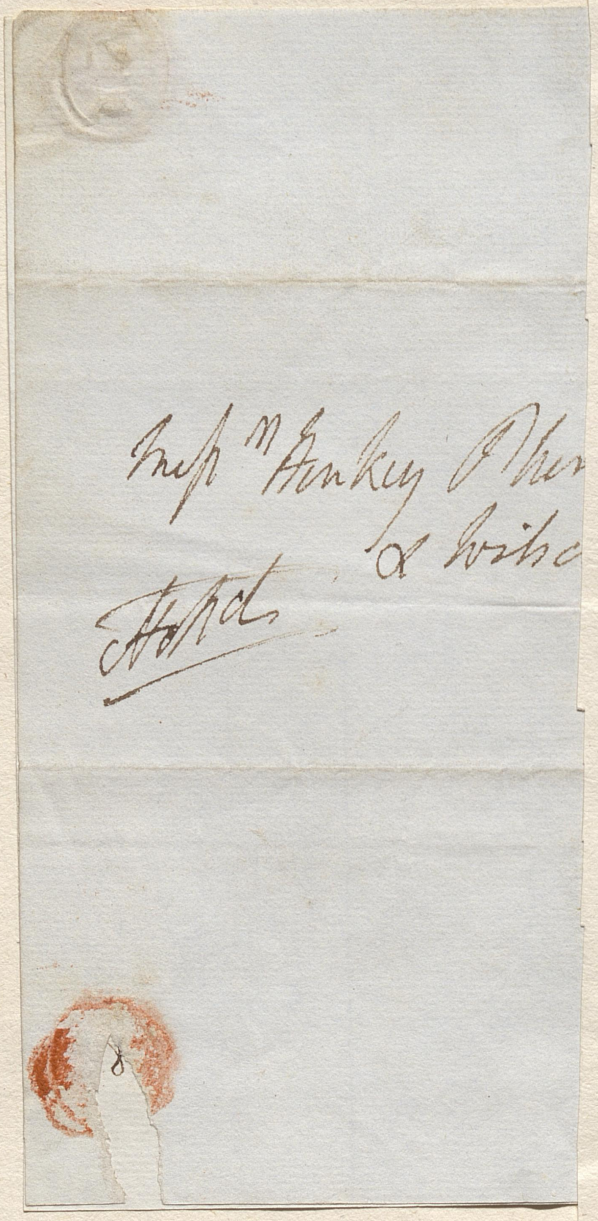

My dear Sir

Your letter did not require the slightest apology. My personal Regard for You, my affectionate veneration for the name you bear, would make me most desirous of contributing if shed it in my Power to the fulfillment of your wishes. added to the Expectations formed of You.

but I really do not know at present of any place where you would stand a chance of success in a popular Contest. Indeed I have very little Electioneering knowledge beyond our own County.

Our friend Sevray is much more likely to put you in the way than myself. He is in Grafton Street or at Lord Spencers at Wimbledon

Excuse Haste, as I am just going
to set down to a Canvassing dinner
& believe me my dear Sir

very faithfully Yours

S. Whitbread

Bedford
Oct. 1. 1812.

Sam.l Whitbread
M.P.

June 2. 53

My dear Sir,

Altho' I have a very high opinion of Sir John Walsham, I have had so much occasion lately to apply to Ld. Aberdeen in behalf of friends

that I must leave
his Father Abraham
on this occasion
to make his own
application, relying
on his well known
services & merits
Remain

Yours truly
Russell

private

May 7. 1844

Dear Mr Lewis

Your letter relative to the Woodbridge Case should have been answered sometime ago. - I laid it aside in expectation of the reference, you spoke of.

to our Committee, but we have, as yet, heard nothing of the Matter.

We shall, of course, if the enquiry be demanded, take the opinion of the Assistant Commissioner.

Faithfully Yours

[illegible]

G. C. Lewis Esq

Poor Law Board,

Mar. 10, 1854.

Dear Lady Walsham,

I have only just received your letter; and as Sir John Walsham leaves home <u>to-day</u>, no letter of mine could reach him

before his departure.

I hope, however, to have

the pleasure of seeing him

here to-morrow, and I

can assure you that I

will speak to him very

earnestly upon the subject

on which you feel naturally

so anxious.

I have the honour to be,

Dear Lady Balshaw,

Yours very respectfully,

M. V. Baines.

Whitehall
2 December 1835

Sir,

With reference to your Letter of the 25th Ultimo, I beg leave to inform you that I shall be happy to avail myself of your offer to serve as a Gratuitous Commissioner of Charities, and I have given Directions to have your Name inserted in the new Commission now made out to fill up the Vacancy occasioned by your Resignation.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant

(Sir John Walsham Bart)

W Russell

If Mr J Walsham
will have the goodness
to send him by Scoresby
the Christian name
of his Son he will
place him on the
List of Candidates
for the College - taking
care that he is sum-
moned for Examination

in January 1844

22 Key Street
St Thomas's
16th June 1845

Addiscombe Place
July 28th 1793

Dear Sir

Mr Jenkinson will leave London on friday next in his way to Birmingham, where he will arrive either Saturday or Sunday, & on his arrival he will immediately wait on you, & will be happy then to commence an acquaintance with you. He goes from Birmingham to Mr Hawkins Browne.

I am with great regard

Dear Sir

your faithful
humble Servt

Hawkesbury

Jenkinson

Charles Jenkinson, 1st Baron Hawkesbury

Whitehall
25. September
1830

Sir James Graham presents his Compliments
to Sir John Walsham and is sincerely
obliged by the flattering terms, in which
Sir John has announced his appointment
to his District for the Administration
of the Poor Laws.

Sir James will gladly
avail himself of Sir John Walsham's

assistance, whenever any difficulty arises in the Longtown Union; and Sir James particularly requests, that Sir John will favor him with his company at this place whenever business may lead him into this part of Cumberland.

Windsor Castle June 10.
1836

Sir

Mrs Taylor One of the
Kings Pages having informed me that You
have kindly offered a Pension to employ
Her Son as a Clerk provided he could obtain
a recommendation to You, I take the Liberty
of informing You that Mr Taylor has been
in the Service of His late Majesty and the
present King about Seventeen Years and that
He has always borne an excellent Character

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and is much respected. - I have indeed

felt anxious to assist him in preceding

for his son who has, I doubt not, been

carefully educated & with due attention to

correct moral & principles.

I trust you will forgive my

troubling you with this letter & I have

the honor to be,

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servt

[illegible]

Sir John Walsham Bart

Sir.

Permit me to solicit the honour of your interest at the approaching Election for Leominster. — I trust that our general political opinions & our connexion in support of the present administration will excuse the liberty I take.

A voter named Davies, who keeps a public House at Bleadon, would, I am sure, at any intimation of your wishes on my behalf, give me his vote. & I should feel extreme[ly] obliged to you, if you will not consider that I ask too

kind intercession to that effect

I have the honour to be

Sir

With respect & consideration

Yr. very faithful Servt

Edw. Bulwer Lytton

Leominster. Royal Oak

Dec. 19

1848.

College of Lund
18 July. 1850

Dear Sir John.

I regret that an accident prevented your receiving the accompanying certificate by yesterdays post and I was absent when your note first arrived. Hope it will prove what you want, of not pray command me further if I can

be of any service.

I dined in company with Sir Thos. Cotton last week and heard good accounts of you all. — Believe me

Most truly yours

C. G. Young Jr.

Sir John Walsham Bt.

London July 5th 1847

Dear Lord Walsham,

Your letter, which I have just received, has made me blush for my carelessness in not earlier acknowledging Mr Johns very obliging communication. Will you assure him that it was not from inattention to his views, in which as he will see from the enclosed letter I entirely, I very much coincide. But I think I was

when I got his letter a little
while about the time Spurs
were taking in my unhappy
Committee; & my disposition was
to put the whole question out
of my head. In doing so I forgot
the duty of acknowledging his
John's letter.

I am sincerely grieved at
his cause that he detained
for at Chelmsford. I trust
we soon to hear of his being
entirely re-established.

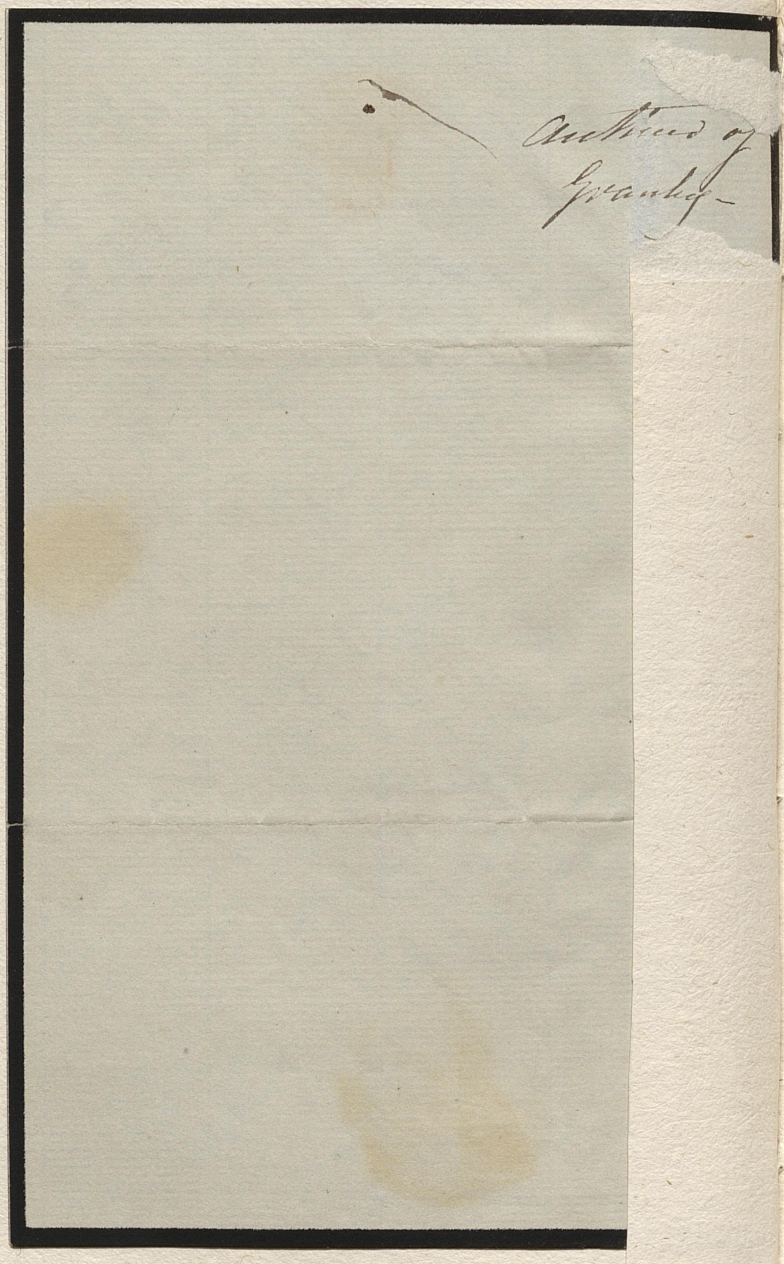
Believe me

Yours very faithfully

Chas Buller j

Genl Reg Office
Jany 6. 1839

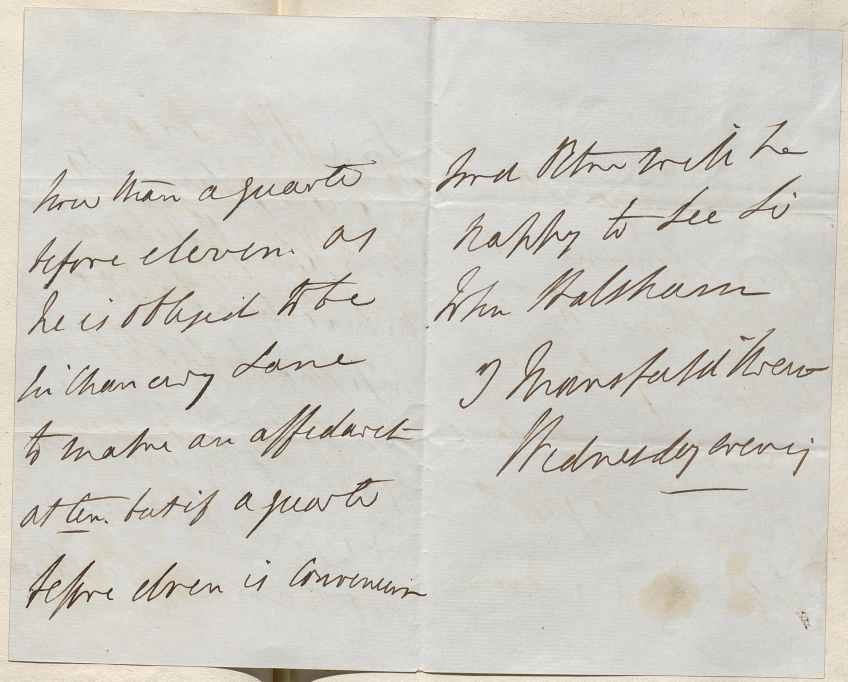
Mr Lister presents his
compts to Sir John Walsham
& according to his request
sends herewith two copies of
the circular letter of Sept 9.
He takes the liberty of sending
at the same time two copies
of the instructional letter of
Oct 5. relating to Register Office.
If Sir John Walsham will



Lord Fitzwilliam presents his compts. to Sir John Walcham and begs to thank him for the very remarkable confirmation he has given of his opinion upon the relations between prices & wages. Ld. F. considers it as coming from very high authority

Grosvenor place May 21. 1841

Lord Petre presents
his compliments
to Sir John Balsham
on his return to night
he found his note
He will feel honoured
by a visit tomorrow morning
he regrets he can
not name an earlier



how than a quarter
before eleven as
he is obliged to be
in Chancery Lane
to make an affidavit
at ten but if a quarter
before eleven is convenient

Lord Ostrow will be
happy to see Sir
John Walsham
I Mansfield Street
Wednesday evening

Dear Lady Walsham,

Let me beg your accept-
-ance of a few Autographs,
as well as of a copy of the
book which you told me
you had not seen. You
will find some of the
letters in it worth reading.

Very truly yours

H E Bunbury

Barton
May 12th

Lady Bunbury begs for Copperfield.

Sir George Scovell presents
his Compliments to Sir John
Walsham, and has the
honor to acknowledge the
receipt of his letter dated
the 5th December 1843.

Royal Military
R M College
15th Decr 1843

Gen

je me plains de vous, avoue,
Monsieur, d'ici que vous ayez
cru avoir besoin de me demander
un exemplaire de mon livre
je vous avais destiné le premier
que voici — il n'est encore que
déposé — et je vous prie donc
le pas prendre encore —
j'aurai l'honneur de vous voir
avant mon départ.
Mes sincères complimens
et mes empressés.
Depradt

L'Abbé De Pradt
Archevêque de
Malines

Dear Sir

Mr Pitt is this Minute come in from Saint James's: he cannot tell as to what Hour he will see you to-morrow, but he will certainly fix as early a One as he can

I am Dear Sir

Old Palace Yard
Decem.r 16

Your faithful humble Serv.t
George Rose

General Runziani
(the man who took,
& executed, Murat

Eccellenza

Sin dall' Epoca de' 16. 7mbre, come è noto all'E. V.a, mi rattrovo al comando della Truppa stazionata in Reggio.

Le Prime Istruzzioni, che mi furono comunicate allora con particolar Foglio del Mrllo Rosenheim furono di qui portarmi con quattro Compagnie per mantenere il buon' Ordine in Reggio, e sue adiacenze, giammai misurarmi col Nemico nel caso, che avanzato avesse, ed imbarcare la Truppa nel suo avvicinamento.

Nel Mese di Novembre per la Spedizione del Brigadiere Cancellier qui venne il rimanente del Regg.to Rli Sanniti, uno Squadrone di Cavalleria di circa cento Uomini, e quattro Pezzi di Artiglieria. Allora conobbi, che la Posizione

degli affari era cambiata. Se potea di fatti
riuscire d'imbarcarsi quattro Compagnie, quan=
do il Nemico avesse voluto sorprendere Reggio,
era quasi impossibile all'intiero Reggimento Ali
Sannitici, a cento Cavalli, e quattro Pezzi
colla corrispondente Munizione, e Treno; e
calcolando ancora sulla Stagione d'Inverno,
che non sempre permette l'Imbarco sopratutto
in questa Spiaggia. Mi decisi dunque a
trovar de' mezzi, onde assicurare tutta la Trup=
pa affidatami da un Colpo di mano. Allora fù,
che si profittò di questo Forte, il quale tutto
che dominato da ogni parte, e di antica, ed
irregolare costruzione, potea esserci utile, come
lo è stato, per salvarci da una Sorpresa; sem=
pre sull'Ipotesi, che non avendo, ne potendo avere
allora il Nemico machine di grosso calibro, trat=
tandosi di difenderci da piccoli Pezzi, e dalla
Fucileria, il Forte di Reggio, fortificato alla
meglio si è potuto, era sufficiente all'Oggetto.
L'Esperienza ha dimostrato di non essermi
ingannato.

Al presente dopo avere evacuato Cotrone, sappia=
mo lungi da ogni dubio, che il Nemico ha verso
quella parte diecianove Macchine di Artil=
glieria, la maggior parte di grosso Calibro.
La Strada della Marina di Levante è Traffica=
bile. Sappiamo parimenti, che al Pizzo sono
stati disbarcati altri Pezzi di grosso Calibro,
che anche per li accomodi fatti alle Strade pos=
sono con facilità quì condursi. Simili cir=
costanze richiamano la mia attenzione, ed
mi obbligano a far presente a V. E., che dietro
altre mature riflessioni fatte sulla nostra
attuale situazione) particolarmente dal Intē
Collo Comtē del Senio D.n Luigi Bardet ab=
biamo conosciuto, che il Forte di Reggio non
può in modo alcuno reggere alla grossa Artil=
glieria, e non potendo avere una comunicazione
col mare, ne risulta, che marciando il Nemico
sopra Reggio con tali indicati mezzi la Truppa
quì stazionata non trova alcuna riserva.
A tale Oggetto mi do l'onore di compiegarle il
Foglio di riflessioni del Intē Collo Bardet su
l'assunto, e sono anzioso di attendere il de=

in qualunque Ipotesi; non mancando di far ri-
flettere all' E. V., che restando la Truppa iso-
lata al Forte, nel caso, che il Nemico voles-
se occupar Reggio, dovrebbe attendere quella
sorte, che le può appartenere in raggione del-
la debolezza del Forte, e dei mezzi, che può
avere il Nemico, onde rendersene Padrone;
ciò, che può facilmente eseguire con la gros-
sa Artiglieria, ed allora la Guarniggione
resta Priggioniera senza potersi in verun
modo imbarcare.

Tutto ciò rassegno all' E. V.a dietro Ordine
ricevuto da S. A. S. il Principe d'Hassia
Philistall

E con sentimenti di perfetta stima passo
a costantemente ripetermi

Dell' E. V.a Reggio li 16. Luglio 1807.

S. E.
Il Sig.r Gnle Moor al
Servizio di S. M. Britta-
nica
(Messina)

Umiliss.o Ser.re vero Osseq.e
V. e Nunziante Brig.e

Private

Soon Law Board,

Aug. 7, 1855.

My dear Cripps,

Allow me to offer

you my best thanks for

your most kind letter.

Shall always be extremely

proud of the appreciation

which you are pleased to
express with regard to
my official conduct. My
task has been rendered
comparatively an Easy
one by the valuable assistance
which I have always had;
and I beg to say that I shall
never forget the extraordinary

ability, administrative tact,
and high and honourable feeling
which I have constantly had
occasion to admire in yourself
or to great kindness with which
these qualities have been at
all times made available
for my assistance and guidance.

With every good wish for yourself
and (allow me to add) for all
dear to you, believe me,
Yours most truly
Sir John Walsham Bart. &c. &c. Cornwaines.

Northumberland House
26 April

My dear Mrs Bell

Lady Agnes goes to day to the
Drawing Room, therefore
I fear your note would not
be available — I have very
little doubt, that I shall go
to the Drawing Room on
the 3d & will undertake
sending your name to the

I am afraid the Duke cannot be depended upon to go with Mr Bell to the Levee, but I should think he might put his name upon his card & tell the Lord in Waiting the Duke was prevented going by indisposition —?—

Ever Yours very truly

C. F. Northumberland

Tynemouth
27th July 1836

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. & regret to learn the cause which prevented me from having the pleasure of meeting you before you left London for the North.

With respect to the union of Parishes which

To Sir John Walsham Bt.
Tynemouth
North Shields

you propose should form the
Alnwick District under
the new Poor Law Act, the
selection appears to
be judicious, & sufficiently
extensive for the purpose
of economy.

It will however require
some consideration to
fix upon a spot for the
erection of a large building
(to contain a number
of unruly inmates,) &
which will not be a
nuisance if established
within the Town of Alnwick
On this subject however
I cannot do better than
to recommend a consult-
ation with Sir David Smith
whose local knowledge
as an acting Magistrate
may be of great value.

I have the pleasure to be
Sir
Your obed. Serv.
Northumberland

Lord Fitz Roy Somerset
presents his Compli-
-ments to Sir John
Walsham and
will be happy to
see him at the
Horse Guards tomorrow
at 2. o'Clock

Horse Guards
3rd Dec 1845

Angel Hill
3 Dec 1844

The Bishop of London presents his compliments to Sir John Walsham, and begs to thank him very sincerely for his kind expression of condolence, and offer of service, which the Bishop would not have scrupled to profit by, had occasion occurred, under the melancholy circumstances of his visit to Bury.

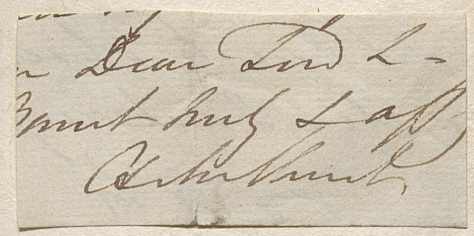
1. Hamilton Place,
London.
July 27. 1844.

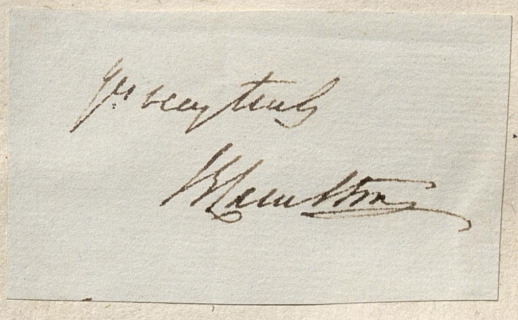
My Dear Mrs. Bell,

The Biography has caused to accumulate upon me such a mass of arrears of all other affairs that I have scarcely a moment at my command. But I must write a single line to say how much pleasure your letter of the 24th, received Yesterday, gives me. Mr. Swinfen has done this work exceedingly well, & the labour I had in collecting the materials for him is amply repaid by the universal approbation the work has met with. Lady Eldon & myself wish you all recovery of health & strength & with our kind regards to Mr. Bell, Believe me, Yours very sincerely

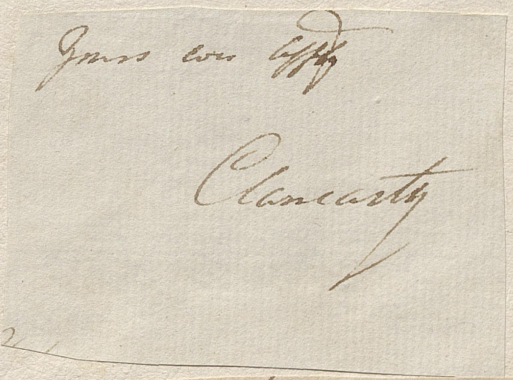
Eldon.

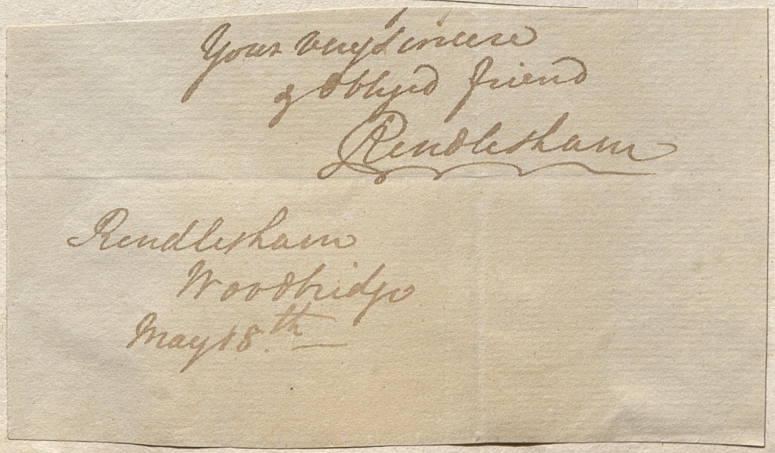
Mrs. Bell
Woolsington,
Newcastle-on-Tyne.

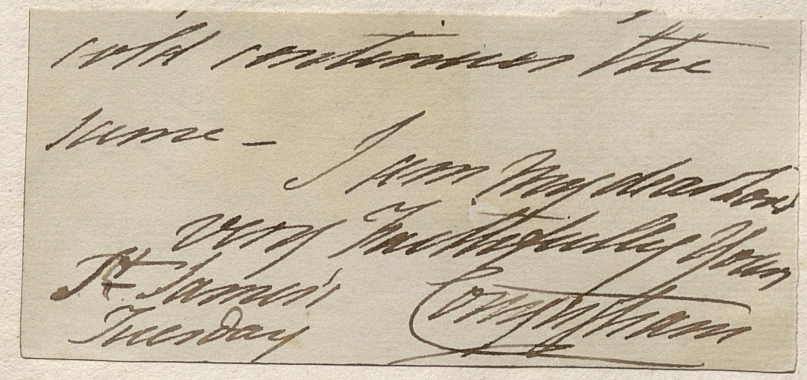


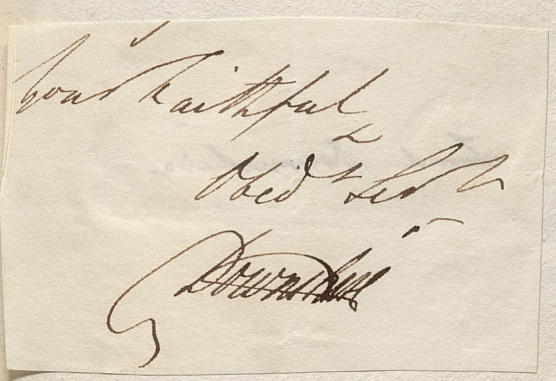


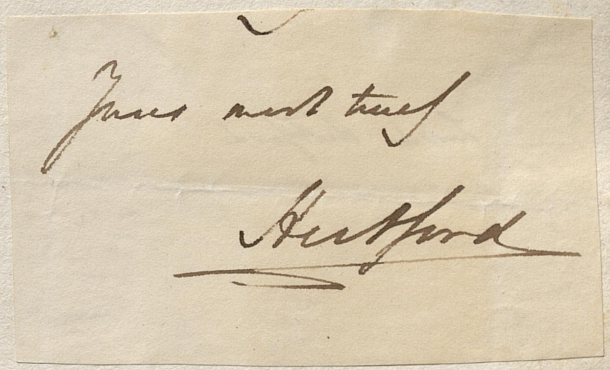


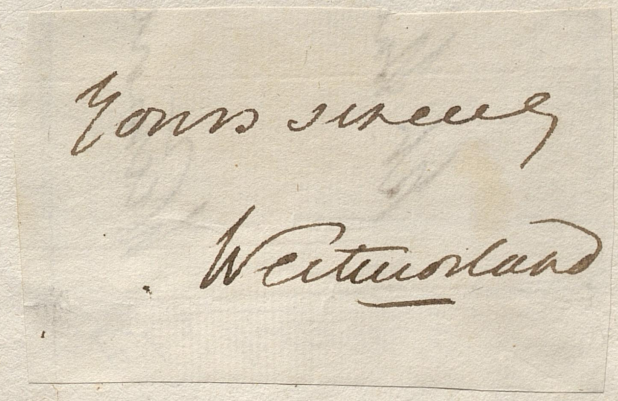












C.A.
July 29th. 1850

My dear Sir John

The question you propose to me is the same which Sir William Martins of the Lord Chamberlains office sent to me some days since on the application of Mr. Downe.

I understood that Baron Alderson would leave the business of the Assize and got the dinner at Bury where he could only go as a private person and not representing the Queen and such being the case I do not see how the Bishop of London can loose his Precedence — as a Bishop of Lord of Parliament he precedes all Barons and of course all the Judges not having any higher dignity than Baron. If Baron be

was there in the Execution of the Queens Commission it would be another thing.

I don't know upon what ground Burrow may rest his claim or whether any rule prevails amongst the Judges upon such occasions. But as he appears to me to be a question in his private capacity, & as former a pupil of the School, I think he cannot have precedence of the Bishop.

It is not alleged that the Bowen attends as Her Majesty's Judge of the Assize. –

Yours very truly

C. G. Gowen C. G.

Eton Coll: 1
Oct: 26 '40

My dear Walsher

I am so much pressed for Time, that I am compelled to be very concise in my answer.

The Expenses of Eton mainly depend upon a Boys own disposition & his Parents Pleasure.

The expenses of Education to a Boy in College are at 5 £10 a year to his Tutor –

~~[illegible]~~

I have a particular Reason

for wishing that Mr Bell would apply to the Dame, at whose House his son is who placed for the other Expences. My Reason is, that I believe those Expences are stated to one at one Sum and to the Parent at another; but when the Boy is once admitted, the Parents does not like to complain.

When Mr Bell has obtained this Answers I will tell him whether it is right.

I should recommend his writing Wm Ward.

A boy of ten years old should be able to make verses for Sense - to translate easy Latin Sentences & to construe Ovid Cæsar & Gr: Test with the usual assistance

he must also han-
learned the Gr: Gr:
as, but not includes
Syntax

Dear Mrs Walsh
(in great Hast
for my friends
C Hawkins

Dr J. Walsham

Mr. Gaines —
/

London
7 Jans. 1840

Dear Sir

George Heidron lived in my service so short a time that I cannot give any very conclusive evidence to his character; but I had no reason to find fault with him on the score of honesty, sobriety, or good temper. He left me on account of his marriage.

I think it right to mention that I have already given a character of him to the Steward of Arthur's Club.

I remain
dear Sir
your faithful Servt
C. J. London

Sir John Walsham Bart.

Lady Eleanor Butler & Miss Ponsonby present their Compliments to Mrs Bell — the Weather being so very unfavourable — this coming they shall hope for the pleasure of seeing Mrs Bell & her party — at any time most Convenient to her — in the forenoon of tomorrow —

Plas newydd Bangallen
Saturday Evening

1 Queenly Acct
20 April 1842

Dr Bowring will be most happy to dear with Mrs & Mrs Milner Gibson on Saturday the 30

Dear Lady Walshane

I thank you very much for the satisfactory information respecting Sir J Walshane's health — & I trust that you will endeavour to impress him with a conviction that he will best perform his public duty by re-commencing his work moderately.

Ever your Ladyship's obliged Servt

John Lefevre

P. L. C. 23 Feb

High Hoyland near Wakefield, Yorkshire
30 th Nov. 1840.

To Sir John Walsham Bart

Dear Baronnett!

A complete stranger to you you were kind enough to assist me on the road in my embarrassment I therefore take the liberty to address you ~~with~~ in this confidential style, and to thank you for the great kindness whilst at the same time I hasten to discharge my debt of £5. ~~&c~~ and in order that I might be assured that it reached safely your hands you would oblige me if you would honor me with a few lines which would serve at the same time as a keepsake from a benevolent stranger— I also hope that Mr Currie has sent you one of my books which you

will have the kindness to accept as a token of regard, and should you approve of the ~~kindness~~ contents of it, you would oblige me indeed if you were to recommend it to your friends – for a great many of copies of them which I sent to India were lost then I was a great supporer by the publicatin of it – I have the honor to be with deepfelt gratitude

Dear Sir,

Your very humble & obed Servant
Joseph Wolff

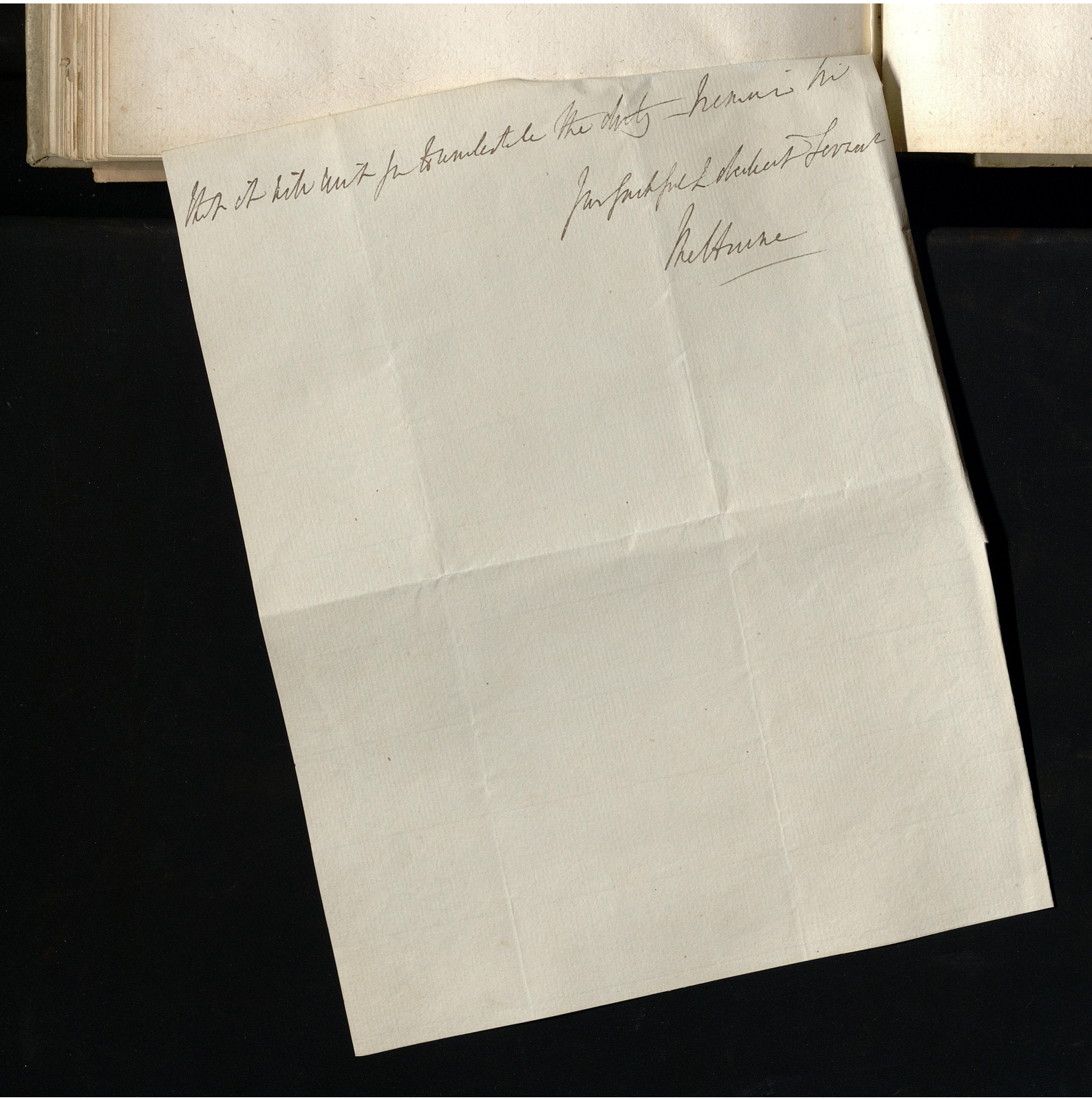
Directed

Revd Dr Wolff
Curate of High Hoyland near
Wakefield, Yorkshire

Downing St
September 24th 1835

Sir In consequence of a letter, which I received from you some weeks ago & which strongly expressed your wish for employment, I have requested Ld John Russell to place your name upon the Commission which is about to be appointed in order to complete the enquiry into Charities in England & Wales — It is intended that the work should be finished in two years — I am not precisely able to say what amount of remuneration Ld John Russell has fixed; but it will give me great pleasure to find

Sr John Dalrhun Bart.



Linton Park
Feb. 20th 1839

P. Mrs Walsham,

I quite omitted telling you that the extras at Mr Claytons consist of washing & Books & Paper I believe if I say 5t covers the whole I am rather above than below the mark. Illness I mean medical attendance if occurring of course, falls upon the Parents. His terms are eighty Pounds p. ann.

With Miss Johnson's respectful love to you, & lady Connallis's kindest regards

I am Dear Madam
Yrs very truly
Mann Connallis

40t at the end of the 1st half year, & the other 40t at the end of the year —

the house of Lords, in which I feel interested —

Yours sincerely
R Cashel

My dear Bell,

I am very sorry to say that I am engaged on Wednesday to dine at the Albion with the Directors of the E. I. Company on their farrell dinner to Sir J Malcolm. Yours ever most truly

J. T. Calcutta.

June 9.
1827

L'Ambassadeur d'Autriche et l'Ambassadrice prient

Madame Jarbett Walsham

de leur faire l'honneur d'assister à un bal qui aura lieu chès eux Mercredi le 11 Fevrier en Célébration du jour de Naissance de Sa Majesté Impériale et Royale Apostolique.

Le bal commencera à 9 heures.

Piazza di Spagna N° 86.

Cambridge Square
Wednesday

My dear Baroness

Will you send an answer by the bearer - or should you not have arrived - dispatch a person when you do arrive, to tell me of your movements - especially if you return to Camfield to day - at what Hour & where I am to meet you - I shall wait here until you send for me & am ready at a moments warning.

Very sincerely Yrs

Frederic Chamier

Dear Mrs Gibson

We shall dine with you on the 25th with great pleasure

Sincerely Yrs

C. Rose

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pur obliged & affecte friend
Kenyon

Lord Kenyon.

Most truly yours

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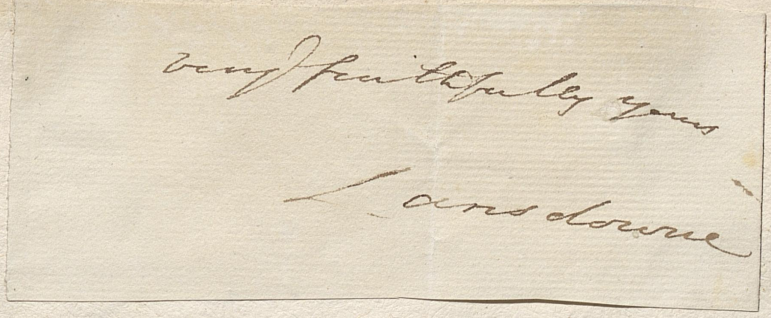
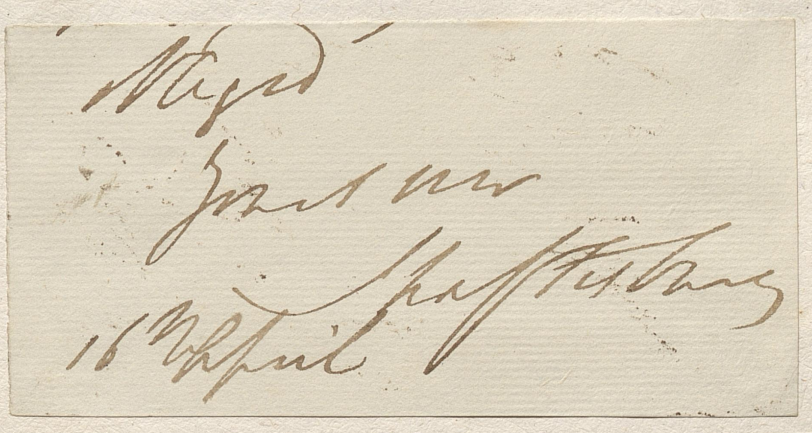


very faithfully yours

Lansdowne



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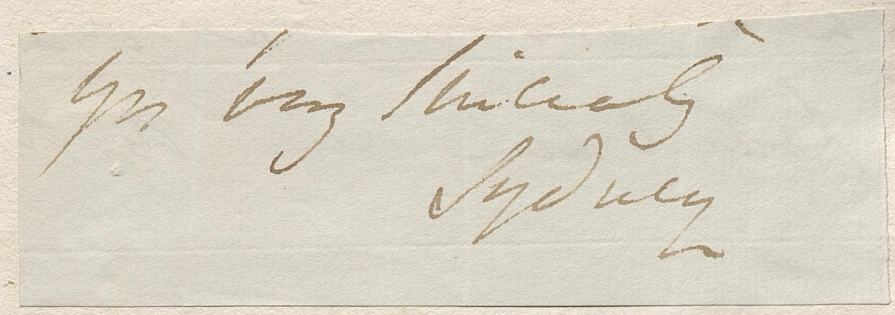
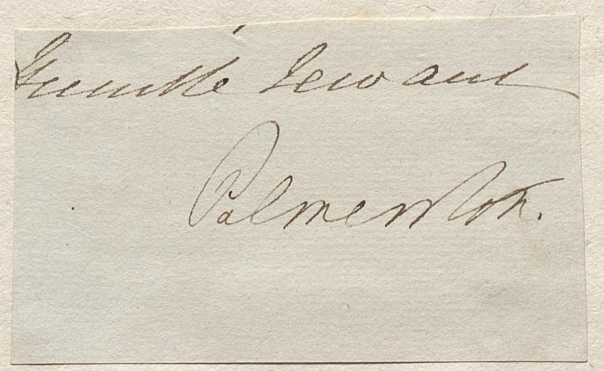
Yours ever

Shaftesbury



16th April

Yrs very sincerely



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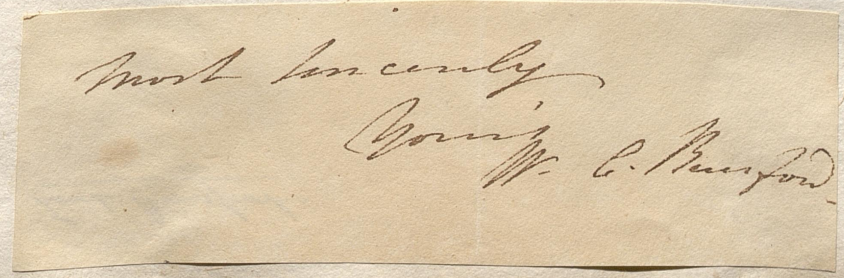
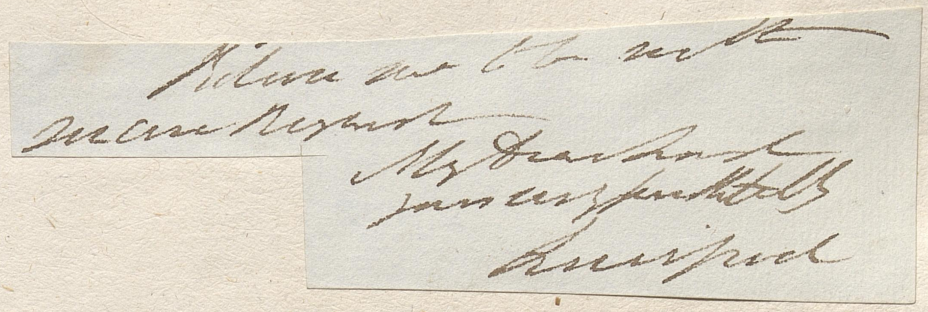
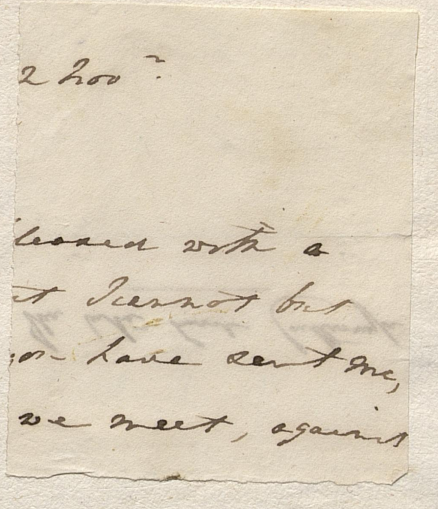


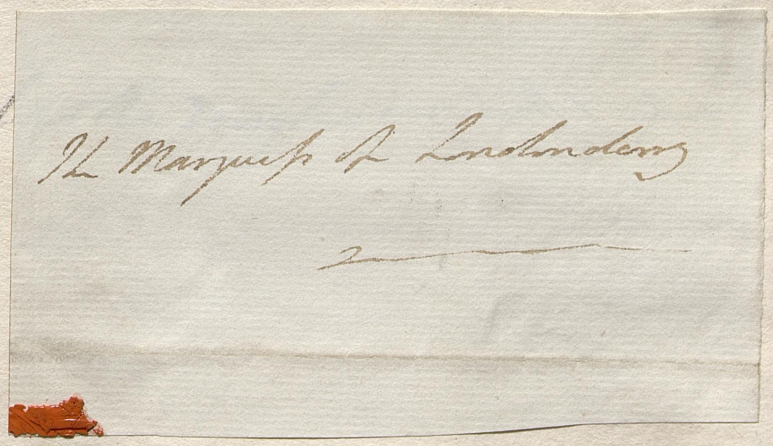
Most sincerely

Yours

W. C. Beresford







Relieve me to be with
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My Dear Lord
[illegible]
Liverpool

Castlereagh

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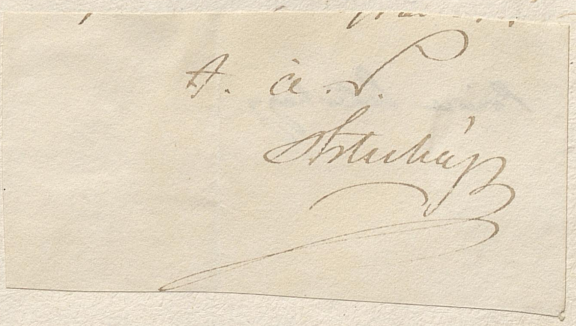
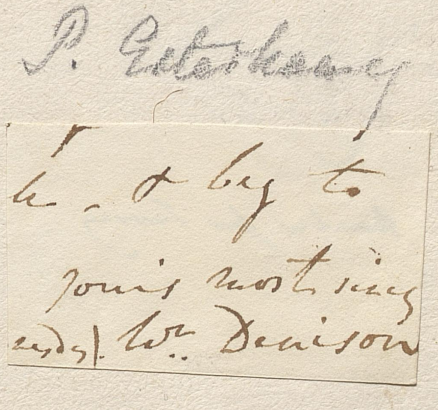
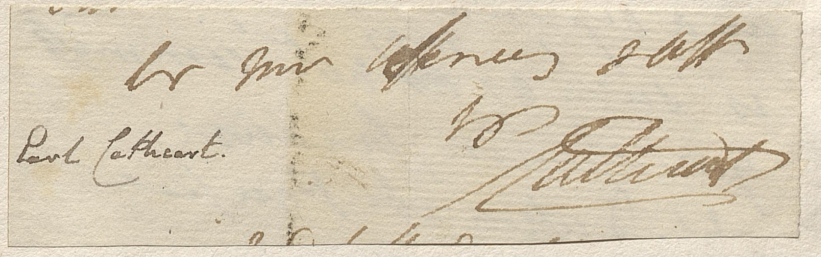
[illegible] have sent me,
we meet, against

The Marquess of Londonderry

D. J. Buckingham



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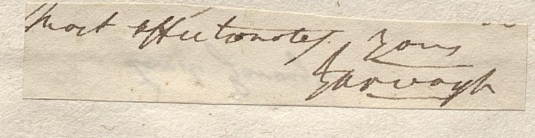

Arundel Castle
Dec.r 29th 1853

My dear Charles

I am afraid I
forgot to answer a
letter from you about

Miss Drew; the
Dss & I will keep
our Votes for her.
It is desperately cold.
The Duchess joins
in all the good
wishes of the season
with
Yours sincerely
Norfolk

DAL REAL PALAZZO FARNESE

13 aprile 1824.

IL MARCHESE DI FUSCALDO

MINISTRO PLENIPOTENZIARIO DI SUA MAESTA'

IL RE DEL REGNO DELLE DUE SICILIE

prega Mad.me Walsham, e suo sig.r figlio

a volergli far l'onore di passare la serata del

20. corr.e

in questo Real Palazzo, ad ore 9. pomeridiane.

à Madame

Madame Damer

avec les remerciemens les plus
empressés de Mad. Sismondi

Yours truly

Geo Grote

Eccleston St. Thursday

Mrs. Milner Gibson

a little bit of Monsieur de Sism
ch's hand, writing given to
me at Geneva August 18[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]ined to her bed, where she
[illegible] been all yesterday, with one
[illegible]her severe headaches.
She desires me to thank
for your obliging invitation,
[illegible] we were sorry to say that
will be out of our power to

Yrs Most truly
Lyoney Morgan

Saturday
2 o clock

Bellum St

few days since from
ter in a most playful
h I am sure you would
arest Brother,
Your truly affectionate sister
!!! Felicia Hemans

accepted ,

for the Night, [illegible]

And sent them

the most favora[illegible]

tea , toast , and

[illegible]

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before you go away

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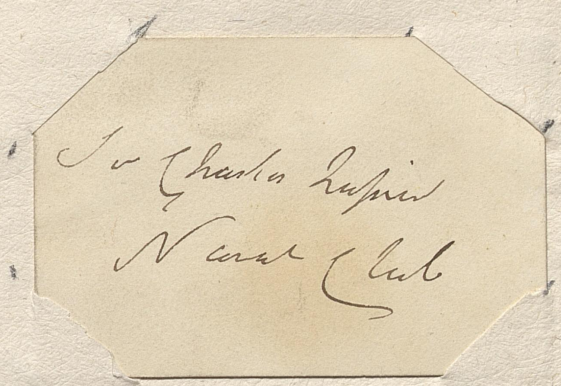
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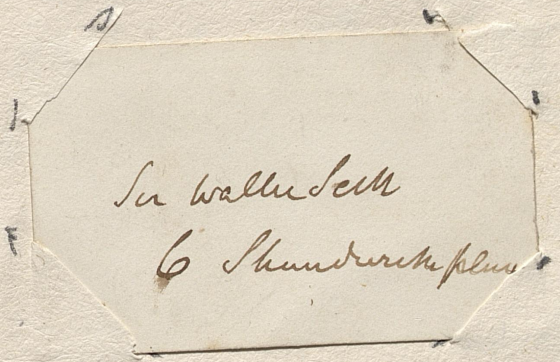
Naval Club


Sir Walter Scott
6 Shandwick Place

your very faithful

Glerawly

r very faithful Obedient Servan

Waterford

Buckingham Street
Monday 11 Oct.

My dear Sir Henry

Having this morning agreed with Cookney to meet him at Barton on Friday next provided there be no impediment, but without arranging with him which of us should write to you I am under the necessity of running the risk of sending you duplicate notice of our intended movements, that you may have time to enter a caveat

ever very faithfully Yours

W H Wollaston

Dr Wm Wollaston

Sir H. Browne

G.R.G.
The Author of
"The Subaltern" Mr Gleig-

Matthew Bell Esq
35 Wimpole Street
Dolcoher

The Marquess of Londonderry G.C.B.
for him &c.

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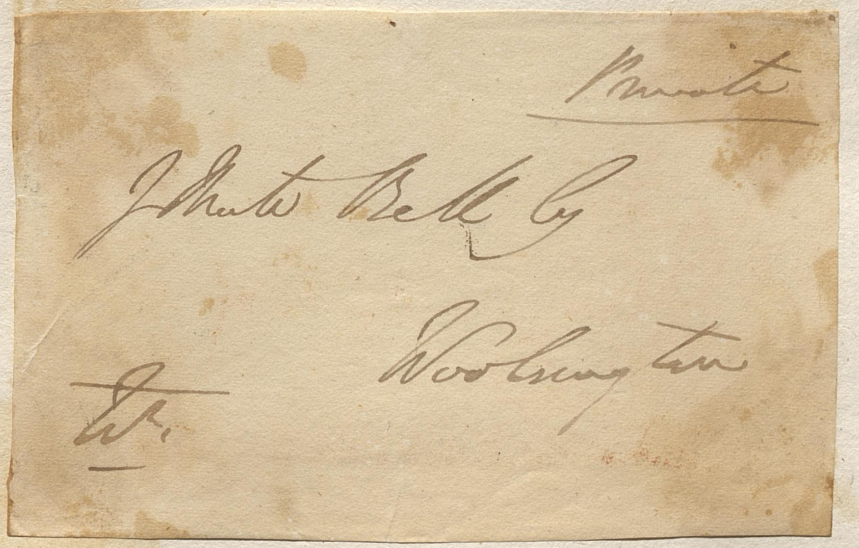

Private

J Mute Bell Cy

Woolsington

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To Her Royal Highness
The Princess Mary
Duchess of Gloucester
Gloucester House
Piccadilly
London

Ernest

Duke of Cumberland

Cheltenham July Twelve 1827

Captn Berkeley R.N.

Fishbourne

William Frederick Chichester

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Gloucester

Mathew Bell Esqre
35 Wimpole Street

Robert Peel

a 1.
most faithful
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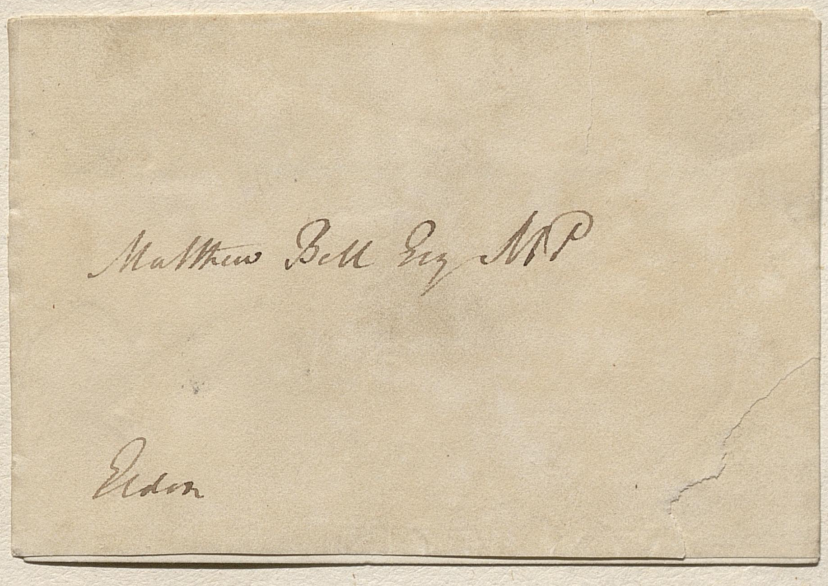
Matthew Bell Esq MP
Eden

Lord Eldon requests the Honor of
The Marquis of Londonderry's
Company at Dinner on Saturday
the 9th of June at 7 o Clock

The favor of an Answ
is requested.

To the right hoble the Comrs for the County of Hereffd.

Right hoble

By vertue of an order from yor honors unto us directed for the surveying of lands & regulating of the assessmts for the Townshipp of Stepleton and ffrogstreete in the said county (we in obedience thereunto) as well by surveying of the lands of John Price gen. called Wensleys being late lands of one Thomas Traunter & also by pusall of his deeds evidences & writings concerning the same lands doe finde the same to be in the said Townshipp of Stepleton & not in the Townshipp of Willey And by a certayne rate of the said lands by us made with the consent of the Inhabitants of the same Townshipp we have ordered that the same shall stand & be a president for future assessmts. And we humbly take leave & reste

John Walsham

Andrew Greenly

Septembr. ye 18th
1652

My dear Hal,

Your long Silence gave me hopes that I shd soon hear you and I Lament that you have so good a Reason for remaining at Hillingworth as the Spring sets many Things in Motion I have hopes that it have some effect upon you at present power of Motion is probably suspended by the Snow which has fallen deep here and accompanied on Thursday Night with a most tremendous and I fear destructive Storm of Wind. I rejoice that You have had your young Man with you and I trust that you found him much improved in all things I assure you that I was much delighted with him when I saw him at Ords and your friends in Lincolnes Inn fields are of the same Opinion with myself respecting him Mrs C. did not accompany me to Listen at Christmas as I cd only remain there about a Week therefore Caroline only accompanied me and Mrs C. kept the little one with her in Berners Street. Your friend the Chancellor is I thank God remarkably well and appears strong enough to support the Interest of his Country in the present Parliamentary Campaign agt the attacks of foreign and internal Foes the latter of whom appears as mischievous as the former I do not think that our good friend Ord is so strong as he was but I think that Mrs O and Mrs S. considering the Winter Season are tolerably well all the rest of your friends are I think well

I hope that you and your friends in the North are firmly attached to the present active Government and that you think them better calculated to support the Interests of a great Government against the perils which assail it than the slumberers who have been dismissed. Your black Country has been slow in its Exports Cotes and our Supply of Coals is consequently scanty and dear. Your Acquaintance Mr. Ridley the Clergyman Son of Sir Matthew is soon to be united to Miss Farrer Eldest Daughter of Mr. Farrer the Ex. She is a good little Girl and will make a good Wife but I am sorry to hear that He has most desperate bad health Mrs. Scott is very well and so is her Son which is a great Blessing to our friend the Chancellor. You are a most impudent fellow to suppose me your literary Debtor but you was educated upon the Northern Circuit and therefore I am not surprised Colds have been universal here I have not suffered much or my family & am sorry to hear that you have not escaped Mrs. C. & Caroline unite with me in every good Wish to You and Yours and believe me

Dear Hal

Yrs most faithfully

J. Campbell

Office 13. Fr. 1808

& with many thanks I am Dear Madam

Yr most Obedt
humble Servt
C A Dorset

Brighton
April 29th



H. A. Reay Esq

Ridingworth House

Newcastle upon Tyne

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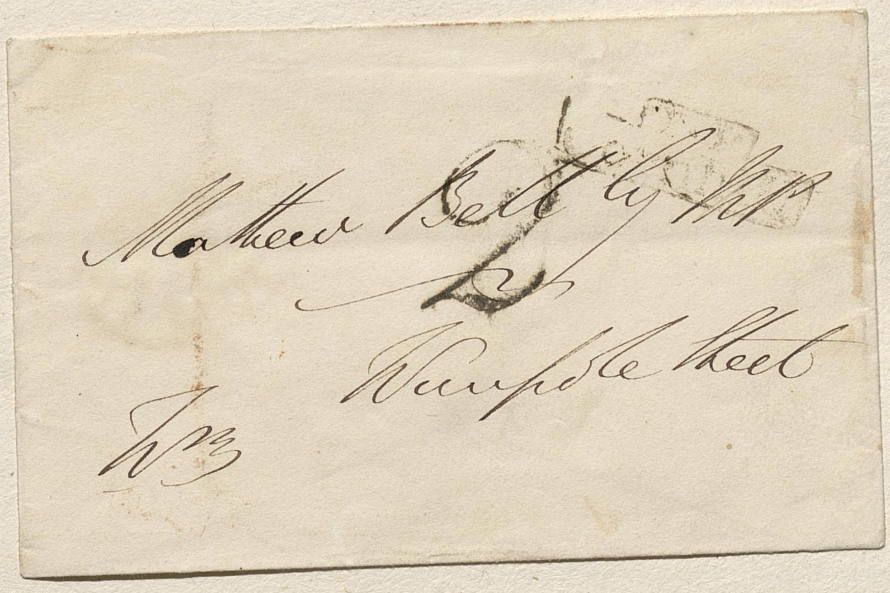

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Wimpole Street

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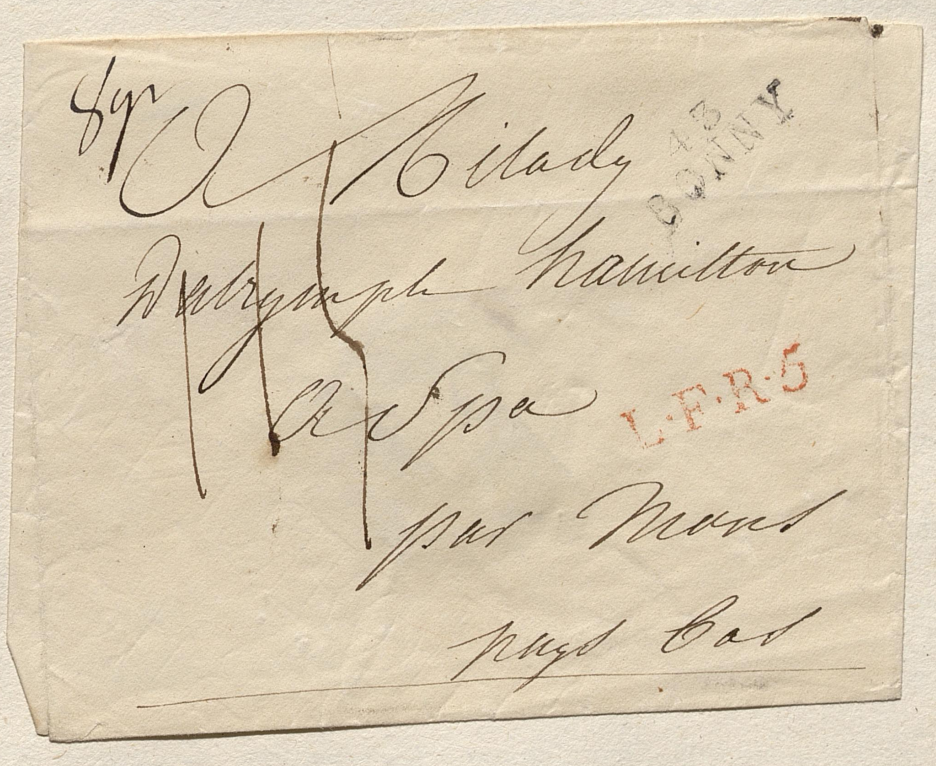

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Duke of Wellington
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Brabourne
near Ashford

Ocean off Cape Jan. 18th. 1808 =

My dear Sir

I was delighted with your kind and friendly letter — first as I saw in your remembrance, and next as it brought me home, as it were, to my own fire side — I am very happy to hear Mrs. Reay and your family are well — and shall be truly glad when the time comes — if ever that time will come — that we can sit down in peace by our firesides and enjoy the society of those we esteem & regard — but it never will — you & I will never live more in days of peace — and I hope you have made up your mind to hear the history of battles as long as you exist — all I say in Jest. is to keep the Wolf from the door that our poor Wives may not be stunned with the din of war — or pained with the smoke of Gunpowder —

I hear that Lady Cole — has made Quiston very

comfortable – and I, am glad of it — I hope it will always keep the wind & rain out, beyond that I have no wish about Ashton – I consider it only as a sort of lodging house for my things as long as I keep going – but to have pleasure in any place, I should breath to form schemes of happiness in my mind which my wife & my darlings would be enjoying when I am parted: if spirits may peep into the pastimes scenes of those they loved in life — I should not know where to find mine

You have heard I had a trip to the Dardanelles – it was not a pleasant one, because from the out set I had little expectation of succeeding – they were so completely in the hands of the french, that they could not make peace. and their fleet removed into a station of such security, that it was not possible to approach them – so that independant of civil messages which passed between them and the Ambassador meaning nothing on their part – we might as well have staid at Cadiz — The Turks respect us more than any nation, & wish to be at peace with us – but they cannot – the Divan no longer directs the affairs of their Country – but is itself directed by Sebastiani — and how they can ever be extricated I do not know – but in all our intercourse with them, though nothing is determined. I endeavour to leave an impression of kindness & friendship for them –

I was truly sorry & surprised to hear of the death of Mrs Raddam – had it been her husband it would have been in the course of Nature – but she was comparatively young – and I hoped to pass a few days in her cheerful company – I am sorry to hear the Admirals temper is less placid than it ever – would he but consider how few things there are in this world, that are worthy of a moments uneasiness (I mean on shore) – I think he might comfort himself that he is out of reach of those few —

I am glad to hear my dear Sir that you are plenty Beaks – for as I believe with you that though our friend Mr Bulle is hard pushed at present, by those who were lately proud to be called his friends – I have no doubt of his rising superior to all their efforts — most of them are but a pusillanimous set — or they would not have been degraded to stoop to the Tyrant — who is certainly as Wily as Satan — and where there is little hope of conquest by arms – he practices diabolical arts — the Goose Alexander submitted to have poison poured into his Ear — which changed every feature of his sense — gave the semblance of friend to his most deadly

foe — and made those Enemies — who had just before
hailed him their most Magnanimous Ally — I begin to
think the Princes such they are of this day, should blot
magnanimity from their Princely Vocabularies — for without
justice — generosity — or indeed homely honesty — they have no
right to swagger with such long words tacht to them —

I am much obliged to you & Mrs Reay for your
intention to see my daughters — and hope you will find
them much improved — Mrs Moss is spoken of as a respecta
woman — & qualified to direct their education — much of m
future comfort depends on it — you must have observed
in those gay times the education of girls in general, g
just to qualify them to be mistresses — not to be wives
dress & a few gaudy airs makes the sum of it — the para
of a Ball or a Drawing room is the extent of their know
as long as they are well kept, it is well with them — but
moment they are left to their own discretion they are lo
I have charged Mrs Moss to teach my girls to be indep
=ent, by being able to do every thing for themselves — to
them understand they were made for the world — not the w
for them — and to consider before hand how they can
misfortune, which occupies at least half the world in b
times than those, without despondence —— What a h

day it will be when I shall meet them if I find them what I hope — I am come here to see what the frenchmen are about — we have been a great annoyance to them in settling themselves at those Island, we have taken a number of their troops, & destroyed a great quantity of their Stores & Provisions — but in the end they must be established, in despight of all our

I beg my dear Sir you will present my [illegible] regards to Mrs Reay — wish her from [illegible] very happiness to her & her family — I hope your Sister is well and beg my kind remembrance & Compliments to her — I am ever

my dear Sir, with very great esteem

Your faithfull & most affectn friend

Collingwood

Remember me most kindly to Admiral Raddam I made young Richards, whom you recommended to me, a Lieutenant about a month since — he appears to be a fine young man. and I hope will make a good officer =



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1808

Henry U. Reay Esq.
at Killinguinth House
near Newcastle
Northumberland

Earley Court
May 23. 1807

My dear Sir

I am happy when any Occasion gives an old friend the Pleasure of hearing of your Welfare and that of your family. G. Pray present my best Respects and Wishes to Mrs Reay; and assure Her that I have always particular Satisfaction in hearing that Killingworth-House prospers.

Thanks to you for your excellent County News! I have no personal Dislike to Lord Howick — far from it — but I cant concur in all his notions — and particularly not

in his notion respecting the late House of Commons, which in my Opinion was very mischeiversly composed and was ripe for all Projects of Innovation in every Direction. I think it a fortunate thing that the Country has got rid of It, even if no such Occasion had happened, as that which produced immediately its Dissolution. The old notions of our good Old King please me a great deal better than these new untried Speculations. The ear notions under which the Country has prospered practically, and will I trust continue to prosper, without the necessity of resorting to these novel Experiments.

I am here in the Country enjoying a few Days quiet and the beauties of the Season. The Country is delightful hereabouts at this Moment, next Week I go to Oxford to return thanks the 4th time. I go there with some feelings of Regret in reflecting on the number of friends in whose Society

the earlier years of Life pas-
sed pleasantly — many dead
and all of us dispersed in di-
rections that prevent social
Intercourse. I dont know per-
sonally 30 People in the Place, and
they are almost all Heads of Hous-
es. I won't moralise, but I am
not sure, I might not have something
of the same sensation on coming
into the north, which I much wish
to do, to enjoy the society of severe
friends whom I love and value —
Lady S. joins in all good Wishes
— my daughter is at Fulham with
the Bp of London's family — my boy
is at Eton. I shall take today
what old friend Coulson used to call
"The Value of half a Pint" to the
Health & Prosperity of Northumberland
I am my dear friend very faithfully
yours H Scott

London September Twenty Third
1807

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Dear
A. H. Reay Esq
Killingworth Hurst
Newcastle on Tyne

My dear Harry

Notwithstanding all your good
reasoning on the subject, (and
yours is better than that of our
Court) I cannot encourage you to
hope that you could succeed, if
such an Application was made to
the Court, as you think of.

I am here alone: I have
not a brace of Partridges this
year at as great an Expence of
Ammunition as has reduced Copen-
hagen. Pray give my Love to Mrs
Reay, I believe me truly &
affectionately, ever to exist

Yrs Eldon.

Le Prince Borghese

prie Mr. et Mad.e Walshane

de lui faire l'honneur de venir passer la soirée chez lui vendredi prochain à 9 heures

R. S. V. P.

Palais Borghese
24. May

P. S. Les Voitures entreront par la porte de Via del Palagio, et sortirons du coté opposé.

Beatissimo Padre:

Madama Walsham, Madama Bell con tre figlie dame inglesi desiderose di visitare i sotterranei della Basilica Vaticana supplicano umilmente Vostra Santità onde voglia accordargli il permesso necessario

Che della grazia &.

alla Santità di Nro Signore
Papa Leone XII

Dall' Udienza di Nro Signore
= 10. Marzo 1825 =

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KINGTON.

RETURN OF SIR JOHN WALSHAM TO KNILL COURT.—GREAT REJOICINGS.

Pretty, picturesque Knill, the pleasant seat of Sir John Walsham, Bart., was on Thursday the scene of great rejoicings consequent upon the return of the beloved lord of the soil to his ancestral halls after many years absence. For the information of those of our readers who are less acquainted with the locality than others, we may state that the hon. baronet has for a number of years past held an important public appointment—that of Poor Law Commissioner—and his official duties, calling as they did for much personal application and the expenditure of a large amount of time, the sphere of these duties, moreover, being remotely situated from his seat, have rendered impracticable his residence at Knill Court, the home of the ancient house of the Walsham family, almost from time immemorial. Recently, however, Sir John resigned his official appointment and determined to take up his residence at the family seat, and surrounded by his own loving people, as it were, so to pass the remainder of his days. But though he had not been permanently resident amongst his people, it must not be supposed that Sir John has been altogether an absentee; on the contrary, he has frequently delighted the tenantry and his neighbours by a brief visit, whenever the opportunity served, and seldom has there been any public business affecting the counties either of Hereford or Radnor to be conducted, but Sir John attended and took his share in the transaction of it on behalf of his constituents. Added to this, he has ever been found a kind and generous landlord, benevolent to the poor, and in many other ways his influence for the benefit of the neighbourhood, though not a resident, has been widely felt, and he has ever been esteemed and beloved proportionately.

The announcement of the intention of the hon. baronet to take up a permanent residence at the Court was received with unfeigned satisfaction by the whole of the neighbourhood, as also by the tradesmen of the neighbouring town of Kington, and it was determined by the latter, in conjunction with the tenantry on the estate, that some fitting expression of their joy and pleasure at the event should be accorded. Wherefore, a committee, we believe, was formed, and, with Mr. Henry Hamer, of Knill, the Rev. R. Chambres, &c., at its head, and with Mr. Stanway, of Kington, as the effective hon. secretary, set to work in real earnest to carry out the projected rejoicings. A subscription list was opened, and, such is the popularity of the esteemed squire of Knill, that in a very short time after commencing operations the committee had obtained a good substantial sum. These rejoicings, it was determined, should take the form of a luncheon to Sir John, together with the presentation of a congratulatory address, the feasting of the poor, &c., and this on the day of his return. This event was ultimately fixed for Thursday last, and by that date everything was in readiness.

Sir John, accompanied by his sister, his daughter, Miss Walsham, his grand-daughter, and the Rev. E. Walsham, his son, arrived at Kington by rail about 11 o'clock in the morning. The engine upon the branch line from Leominster was gaily decorated with flags, "May" blossoms, &c., and at intervals along the line salutes were discharged. The railway station at Kington was, too, set off with innumerable evergreens, &c., with the word "welcome" over the wicket through which exit is made to the road. From the station Sir John proceeded to the residence of Mr. R. Banks, clerk of the peace for Radnorshire, where he remained for some time.

It was a part of the programme that a procession should be formed at Lower Harpton, and at that place by one o'clock there awaited the esteemed squire some 170 or more of the tenantry and gentlemen residing in the neighbourhood, nearly all mounted, but a few, accompanied by ladies, in vehicles. Sir John and family, in an open barouche, with postillion, drove up soon after, and was received with enthusiastic cheers again and again repeated, the Kington Rifle Band performing an appropriate selection of music. The welcome over, the whole of the company formed in procession, and under the inspiring strains of the really very creditable music of the band (the members of the latter in a van heading the procession) a move was made for Knill, distant some two or three miles.

A series of well executed triumphal arches had been erected along the line of route, each bearing inscriptions expressive of real, hearty welcome and good will. The first of these was in front of the comfortable homestead of Mr. Hamer, at Lower Harpton, with "Welcome" prominently inscribed in laurel leaves over the top. Soon after passing through this arch the cavalcade came up with a waggon, in which was being transported towards the court a whole bullock, ready dressed and gaily decorated, and in charge of two thoroughly English-looking knights of the cleaver, carrying the emblems of their profession, as much for use presently in cutting up the animal as for show. In the Knill Valley there was a second arch, the words inscribed being "Welcome, Sir John" on the one side, with "Long live Sir John" on the other. At the entrance of the lane leading from the main road to the mansion was erected a third arch, with the words "Long life and happiness to Sir John and family," and further on another, with "Welcome from the school children of Knill," and lower down again came another, bearing the kindly wish "God bless our noble landlord," the last being at the entrance of the park, and inscribed "Peace and prosperity." These arches were composed of evergreens, intermingled with May blossom, flowers, &c., and really looked very pretty, adding much to the already imposing scene; and a scene indeed it was—that numerous cavalcade of horsemen as they defiled along the narrow road through the beautiful valley of Knill and threaded the circuitous paths—formed one of the prettiest sights we have seen for a long time past. At the entrance to the grounds the school children, all very nicely dressed, and carrying flags and bouquets of flowers, were drawn up. On arriving at this spot the cavalcade halted, and the following address, in illuminated missal writing,—a unique work of art from the eminent firm of Waterlow and Sons, law stationers, London—was read by the Rev. R. Chambres:—

To Sir John Walsham, Bart., Knill Court, Herefordshire.

It is with mingled feelings of pride and pleasure that I have to address you this day,—pride at finding myself chosen to be the mouthpiece of your tenantry and well-wishers,—pleasure at having been permitted to do so in my own person.

To-day we meet together in order to offer you our united and sincere hopes that, on this your return to your ancient and ancestral home, after a lapse of so many years—years spent laboriously and honourably; spent in the cause of sympathy to the poor—you may be spared to enjoy that rest of mind and body which you so well deserve.

It is at all times pleasant to return home, and more especially as in your case, a residential landlord; knowing, as you must so well do, the warm hearts awaiting you on this your return amongst them,—hearts only too glad and ready to offer you and yours their genuine welcome,—you need not be surprised at your reception to-day.

We all know how endeared you are to this spot,—endeared by many a memory hallowed and revered, to which I, in the name of your tenantry, and all other good wishers, bid you a hearty welcome. More words on my part would only be superfluous; a few words uttered from the heart is all that is needed. I again, therefore, in their name and my own, trust it may please God to grant you a full restoration to health, and that you and your family may long live to enjoy many days' happiness in this your beautiful valley of Knill. (Signed) RICHARD CHAMBERS, M.A.

May 21st, 1868.

Sir JOHN replied with much emotion as follows:—Mr. Chambres, my kind friends, and neighbours—It is scarcely necessary for me to tell you that if in the welcome home you have given us it is impossible not to feel, and to feel deeply and gratefully the kindness you are showing towards us, it is equally impossible for me to find expression which shall satisfactorily and sufficiently embody that feeling. Try as I may, briefly or seriously, what I would say must resolve itself into this: I heartily thank you all; for myself and my companions I most heartily thank you all. It is, indeed, always pleasant, as you, sir (Mr. Chambres), have just observed, to return to one's home after a long absence; and to me it is very pleasant to be returning home—after having passed more than half my life in the public service—to spend the evening of my days under the shadow of the ancient hills which I climbed in childhood, and within the sound of the bells of the old church where my forefathers sleep—making its holy precincts holier still to me—(applause). But it is more than pleasant when I look at the great assemblage around me—such a one as the old place, I think, has scarcely ever seen before. Once more, continued the hon. baronet, I beg you to accept my warmest thanks, both for the great gratification of this day's proceedings and the endearing memories they will leave behind them—(applause.) They will never be forgotten by me, and it pleases me to imagine that at some distant day when the golden brown of this young lady's hair (here Sir John tenderly placed his hand upon the head of the fair young girl, his granddaughter, who sat beside him) shall be streaked with white she may chance to be visiting her relations here and to recount to her own grandchildren that when she was herself a child she had witnessed the welcome which the kindness of his own people and his neighbours had provided for her grandfather, when he came back to pass the remainder of his life amongst them. Again, and again, my friends, I thank you!

Sir John then resumed his seat and, amid loud, hearty cheers, which echoed and re-echoed through the lovely valley, the carriage was driven on to the Court. The latter we may state has been thoroughly renovated during the past year, and is now truly a noble residence; its situation is charmingly romantic placed as it is in the pretty valley, embowered in the midst of the most luxuriant foliage and surrounded on all sides by the noble hills of Knill. A border of flowers, evergreens, &c., ran around the portal of the entrance hall, and above, right over the entrance, were the words:—"Blessings attend the ancient House of Knill." On dismounting from the carriage Sir John and family were received by the school-children, who by this time were drawn up on the lawn in front of the court, and who then presented their simple bouquets to the young ladies. The school-children sang an appropriate hymn or two, under the direction of Mrs. Chambres; then followed more music by the bands—for the Presteign band was also in attendance,—the company amusing themselves the while by strolling about the grounds.

At three o'clock a splendid luncheon was partaken of in a commodious tent erected on the grounds, about 170 of the tenantry, and some few friends of the esquire, sitting down. Mr. R. Banks presided, with Sir John on his right as the guest, and with the Rev. R. Chambres, and Mr. H. Hamer, and Mr. Parker (Kington), as vice-chairmen. The repast was supplied, we may state, by Mrs. Powell, confectioner, Presteign, upon whom the catering reflected the highest possible credit.

After luncheon the healths of the Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family were drunk. The health of Sir John was then proposed in terms of honest, truthful, commendation by the CHAIRMAN, and drunk with three times three. Sir JOHN feelingly responded, remarking in the course of his speech that "Johnny" had indeed "Come marching home" (the band had just performed this popular air, the company heartily laughing at the incident, the tune seeming so appropriate to the occasion) and having marched home, he hoped there was not much chance of any orders coming again to march him away—(hear and laughter.) The health of the CHAIRMAN was next proposed by Sir JOHN and heartily drunk by the company.—Mr. BANKS replied, and in turn gave another—"Success to the agricultural interests of the district," associating with the toast the name of Mr. Henry Hamer, who, having briefly responded, the proceedings, so far, terminated.

Tea was afterwards served to the children, and some amusing games were provided for the boys, while for the young people there was a quadrille band in attendance, and dancing was kept up throughout the evening.

One incident we must not omit to note; this was the greeting between Sir John and Bywater, the veteran Presteign drummer. The latter served for some years under the father of the hon. baronet in the old local Radnor Militia, in which, subsequently, Sir John himself held a commission. These two, the officer and the drummer, are now the only living representatives left of the fine old regiment named, at one time several hundreds strong. The old man was heartily pleased to see Sir John, nor was the pleasure the less on the side of the latter, who, besides shaking the veteran warmly by the hand and discussing old times and familiar reminiscences, also introduced him to his daughter and granddaughter, each of whom displayed the liveliest interest in the old soldier.

The ox before mentioned was cut up during the day, and distributed among the labourers on the estate.

hazy distance by Radnor Forest, whose tops seem to mingle with the clouds. The house is now undergoing extensive repairs and improvements, which, although rendering it anything but in a condition to receive guests, will contribute greatly to its beauty and convenience: it is surrounded, as we have said, by extensive and romantic grounds, in the middle of which stands the ancient church, beneath whose roof repose many a mighty ancestor of the Walsh family. A visit to the church and yard, under whose trees "the rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep," will well repay the visitor—all is primitive, simple, nay, severe in style, but beautifully picturesque. The walls of the chancel are well nigh covered with marble tablets to their memory, some of which we give below, all of them bearing testimony to their bearing names not only of "our old nobility," but of some of great worth, valour, and learning. The first in order is as under:—

In Memory of
JOHN WALSHAM, of Knill Court, Esq.,
Sheriff of Radnorshire in 1653, &c.,
Eldest son of John Walsham, Esq., and Margaret Lyde, his wife,
and grandson of John Walsham, Esq., and Barbara Knill,
his wife,
Who was grand-daughter and heir of
John Knill, of Knill Court, Esq.,
Sheriff of Radnorshire in 1561, and lineal descendant of
Sir John de Knill, Knight,
Lord of Knill in the 12th century, and one of the
warriors of the third crusade,
Born in 1634, died in 1677.

From that time to the present have generations come and gone; but keeping the link of the chain unbroken, another monument of much interest records the death of the much lamented Sir Samuel Romilly, Knight, the statesman who, although he could direct the government of states, and had the wisdom to counsel and advise monarchs, yet could not stem the torrent of his own heart's bitterness and woe under the heavy affliction of the death of his wife. In three days after her he followed to that bourne "where the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest." Another records the life and death of the gallant old Colonel, who for so many eventful years commanded the Radnor Regiment of Militia. The last we shall notice records the death, at the battle of the Alma, of the third son of the present Baronet, Arthur Walsham, who was there slain, at the early age of one and-twenty.

Having strolled through the history of the past, as read in the monuments around, we return to the mansion, from which is just issuing the crowd of lads and lasses, who are soon engaged in all the rustic sports belonging to the neighbourhood, and right heartily did they seem to enter into and enjoy them. The numerous tables having been well laden with provisions, the numerous guests at 3 o'clock sat down to dinner. The chair was taken by the Rev, James Davies, of Moorcourt, supported on his right by Mr. Henry Hamar, and on the left by the Rev. R. Chambers, and the following ladies and gentlemen:—Rev. H. F. Mogridge, Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. Henry Hamar, Rev. C. and Mrs. Blackburn, Captain and Mrs. Hannam, Capt. Beavan, Mr. C. Tearne and Mrs. Tearne, Lieut. Duggan, the Misses Hamar, &c., &c.

The vice-chairs were ably filled by the Rev. C. Blackburn and Mr. George Hamar.

The good things put upon the table having had most ample justice done them the Chairman proposed "The Queen," "The Prince and Princess of Wales," and the other loyal toasts; with "The Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese," he coupled the names of the rev. gentlemen present, on behalf of whom the Rev. R. Chambers returned thanks. The chairman then proposed the toast of "The Army, Navy, Militia, and the Volunteers," with whom he coupled the names of Captains Hannam and Beavan.

Captain HANNAM, on behalf of the army, having responded for that branch of the service,

Captain BEAVAN said it gave him peculiar pleasure to return thanks for the Volunteers upon this occasion; they had met the heir of Knill, and as a Volunteer he could wish the young man no better or more honourable career than that of his forefathers—many of whom had been warriors ever since the crusades; almost in their own day the gallant old "Colonel of Knill" was at the head of upwards of a thousand Volunteers, who were quartered in Presteign. As brevity was the charm upon this occasion he would not transgress the rule, but simply thank the company for so kindly upon this as upon all other occasions, and cordially toasting the Volunteers he was sure should their services even be required, the Volunteers would be found always ready to drive back the daring invaders of the sacred soil of Britain.

The CHAIRMAN said the company would doubtless anticipate the next toast, which would be, par excellence, the toast of the day—the "Health of the bride and bridegroom." It was sufficient for him to express his feelings upon this occasion. He had known Mr. Walsham many years, and could there be found such a thing as a man [illegible] was he; but there was [illegible] in him had been his [illegible] He had [illegible] out a fault, [illegible] and the finest [illegible] as backwardness in taking to himself a wife, [illegible] that day, however, amply retrieved his error, by wedding a lady who, from report, was every way worthy of him; and he hoped that there was no fear now of there not being a direct heir to the splendid estate and ancestral home in which they were now wishing them prosperity. The bride was as good and intellectual as she was beautiful, and he hoped they would live both of them long and happily together to enjoy their heritage, and to advance the moral and intellectual and local comforts and prosperity of their heritage. He would beg of them to drink to the bride and bridegroom, with three times three hearty English cheers. (Loud and long cheering accordingly greeted the happy couple—a faithful old dog, who was the petted guest of all in the room, joining in the cheering with loud and repeated barks and frisks of his bushy tail.

The CHAIRMAN, on rising, bade the company, after the bride and bridegroom, do honour to Sir John Walsham. No words of his could shed any additional gleam of lustre on the reputation of Sir John Walsham. A more consistent man, a kinder neighbour, a better landlord, a firmer friend than Sir John Walsham never existed. He had had the pleasure of knowing him the greater part of his life,—his worth, his nobility of mind was patent to the world. It was a matter of much rejoicing to his friends to know that there was now a prospect of Sir John ending his days at Knill amongst and surrounded by those who had known and appreciated and respected him from his earliest years.

The toast was drank with most rapturous cheering.

The Rev. R. CHAMBERS begged to propose the health of the tenantry of Sir John Walsham, coupling with that toast the name of Mr. Henry Hamar.

Mr. HAMAR feelingly returned thanks, and begged to propose the health of the younger branches of Sir John's family. A better family was not to be found than was that whose healths he begged them now to drink.

Mr. CHAMBERS said he had now a most pleasing task to undertake in proposing the health of the gentleman who had so ably steered them through the business of the day, he begged to propose the health of the Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN said he felt extremely gratified. It gave him great pleasure to meet them on that auspicious occasion. Mr. Hamar had wished his father to preside upon this occasion, his father, however, was in London assisting at the wedding, he then had recourse to me, and he certainly had come to one who had had experience of some 20 years standing of married life. His advice to every single young man in the room was to go and do likewise. He was sure that if they made a good choice they would never repent it (cheers).

Capt. BEAVAN was rejoiced to hear their Chairman give the gay young bachelors in the room such good and wholesome advice, and he too should like to add a little by advising them all to profit by their chairman's happy experience and try the experiment forthwith; and by way of gaining a little start in the race himself he had undertaken the pleasing duty of proposing the toast of the ladies. Whether they took his advice upon matrimony or not there was one thing certain, all must agree, that no society, no merry-making, no party was complete without the bright glances of the eye and the ever ready wit of the ladies.

Lieutenant DUGGAN, in a humorous speech, returned thanks.

The party then broke up and dispersed over the grounds, much admiring the magnificent and romantic scenery which on every side met their eye. Tea was served in the mansion at seven o'clock, many availing themselves of the private hospitality of Mrs. Hamar, who we were sorry to see, looked thoroughly jaded. She was, however, well represented by the Misses Hamar, who, in their usual kind hospitable way, did the honours to all comers. Shortly after dark an immense bonfire was lighted on the highest peak of Knill Garraway, whose bright flashing flames, as they rose in the musky darkness, proclaimed for many miles round the rejoicings that were taking place in that valley below. After tea the strains of music called the happy and the gay to the dancing saloon, where on "the light fantastic toe" they tripped it merrily until the hour of midnight, when the tocsin sound, the supper bell. Every delicasy of the season was here displayed, in faci, it was very slily hinted that on this occasion the crowning point was the one which called forth the energies of all the powers. A large company sat down and thoroughly enjoyed the good things set before them; after which dancing was resumed and kept up with spirit until the stars hid their little heads and the daylight broke in blushes at a scene of such unbroken and prolonged revals. At length, however, all departed, breathing fond wishes for the happiness of the bride and bridegroom.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH.

Last night—the evening of St. Matthew's day—the annual harvest thanksgiving at All Saints' Church, Beverley Road, was held. The church, which was beautifully decorated, was crowded before the time for commencing the service. Cereals and flowers adorned the chief parts of the sacred edifice. The altar had on it several small sheaves of grain and dishes of fruit. On the wall behind were the following illuminated inscriptions:—"Jesus," "King of Kings," "Lord of Lords," "Behold, the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world." A row of beautiful plants stood behind the altar rails, and on the latter was the inscription, "I am the Bread of Life." The walls of the chancel, as high as the capitals of the arch separating that part of the church from the nave, were covered with floral decorations, consisting of bands which intersected each other. The ends of the choir stalls, which faced the congregation, were one mass of beautiful flowers The pulpit was adorned in a manner equal to the other parts of the church. The capitals of the pillars of the arcade separating the main portion or the nave from the aisles, had each a floral wreath. The service, which was choral, was commenced by the Rev. C. Walsham, the vicar, who read the first portion of the prayers. The lessons were read by the Rev. G. Skene, curate, and Rev. E. Evers, vicar of Newland. The second portion of the prayers was read by the Rev. G. Ohlson, curate of Holy Trinity Church. The sermon was preached by the Right Hon. the Rev. the Earl of Mulgrave, who chose as his text the words contained in the 12th verse of the 11th chap. of Deuteronomy, "The eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it from the year even to the end of the year." His lordship observed that the words of the text referred to the land of Canaan, and were spoken to the children of Israel. The words of the text were, however, very applicable to the present time, when they had met to tender thanks to God for the safe ingathering of the harvest. There was something very solemn in annual harvest festivals, as they could not but force upon the mind the ingathering of souls, when, as it were the wheat was gathered, and the chaff burnt. One of the ears of corn with which the building was decorated, was convincing of the truth of the text. It was first seed placed in the ground, and ultimately by the blessing of God the full ear of corn. Man ploughed the field and sowed the seed, but it was only God that could give the increase. The young child knew that the yellow ear of corn was not man's production. It was the work of the invisible God, who spoke solemnly in the manifestation of the harvest to everyone. As sure as the harvest, so was the reaper, and his lordship beseeched each member of the congregation to ask him or herself what the fruit would be when the angel reapers came.

THE RETURN OF SIR JOHN WALSHAM, BART.,

To Knill Court, Kington, May 21st, 1868.

To the home of his childhood surrounded by beauty,
Sir John we now welcome with hearts full of glee,
For no one can better perform the kind duty
Of helping us onward from lowly degree;
To-day we have music, rejoicing and gladness,
Our shouts are re-echoed o'er valley and hill;
From palace and cottage we've banish'd all sadness,
For Walsham returns to the valley of Knill.

The home of his ancestors now will be brighten'd
And spots that are hallow'd made lovely again,
While many a peasant will find his heart lighten'd
By one of the kindest and noblest of men;
Around him are gather'd a group that are smiling,
Who fondly believe he is generous still;
'Mid the wild mountains a host are defiling
To welcome Sir John to the valley of Knill.

Oh, hark to the voice of the multitude sounding!
The 'Squire is greeting the veteran bold*;
And in years yet to come, by those now surrounding,
This incident will to their children be told;
How warmly they're pressing the hand of each other!
What sweet recollections their memories fill!
And doubtless Sir John will regard him as brother
As long as he dwells in the valley of Knill.

When he whom we honour to-day has departed
To dwell with the angels in glory on high,
Oh, may his offspring—the kind, noble-hearted,
That beautiful maiden†—be ever found nigh;
When the golden brown hair of the lady has whiten'd,
Our children her grandfather's praises will trill;
They'll speak of his kindness, and how he had brighten'd
The cottagers' homes in the valley of Knill.

CARACTACUS.

* Bywater who served for some years under Sir John Walsham's father as drummer in the old local Radnor Militia.

† Sir John's granddaughter.

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hand to a Monington. Near Presteign, and close upon the Radnorshire border, is Knill Court, the residence of the Knills, who were probably called after it, at least as far back as Edward II.'s time. Their descendant, who entered his pedigree at the visitation of 1569, was the father of Barbara Knill, who married John Walsham, and whose descendant in the female line is the present Sir J. J. Garbett Walsham. Although it must not be supposed

that the present mansion is ancient, having in fact been thoroughly restored within the last few years, yet, as may be learnt by a comparison of it with the drawing of the old house, which was Edwardian, with additions of about 1561, it is one of the very rare instances where restoration has not involved the disappearance of any of the old features. The court, the church, and the valley, once seen, are not easily forgotten. Some parts of Croft Castle date back to the fourteenth century, and so does the

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I Fondatori dell' Istituto, e Conversazione del Casino dei Nobili rendono avvisata tutta la Nobiltà tanto Nazionale, che Estera, presentata nei modi prescritti, come nella sera del dì 30 Gennaio 1826 daranno nella Sala del loro Locale una Festa di Ballo con Maschere da aver principio alle ore otto precise, quale sarà onorata dalla presenza di S. A. I. e R. l' Augusto Sovrano; prevenendo che i Signori v' interverranno o in Maschera', o in Frak con Fibbie e Cappello appuntato, e le Dame parimente o in Maschera, o in Abito tondo.

Fanno sapere ancora, che le Carrozze tanto al venire, quanto al partire, dovranno accostare alla solita Porta d' ingresso del predetto Casino, venendo sempre dalla parte di S. Trinita, ed avere l' egresso per la parte di Lung' Arno.

Avvertono inoltre, che secondo il consueto non vi sarà posto distinto per veruna Carrozza, essendo riservato questo privilegio al Servizio della Corte soltanto.

FASHIONABLE WEDDING AT CHRISTCHURCH.

Rarely has the grand old Priory church of Christchurch —one of the glories of the south-west of England—received such a gathering as assembled there on Thursday, the occasion being the marriage of Florence, the adopted daughter of Sir Percy Shelley, Bart., and Lady Shelley, of Boscombe place, with Leopold James York Campbell Scarlett, son of the Hon. P. Campbell Scarlett. The morning for once happened to be fine, and the sun actually shone for about ten minutes at noon-tide, in the very midst of plighting the troth. The bridegroom, attended by the Hon. Paul Methuen and Robert Scarlett, Esq., as his groomsmen, arrived at the church about 11.30, and found not only the spacious nave and transepts filled with the general public, and the top of the very deep rood screen also filled, but in the choir a numerous assemblage of ladies and gentlemen, including the principal residents of the neighbourhood and many of the immediate friends of the bride and bridegroom from a distance. The brilliant hues of the ladies' dresses as they filled the stalls black with age, or rested upon the quaint seats of the Monks still retained here, so disposed that slumber dared not intrude itself without involving them in disaster, imparted great animation to the scene, and fitly supplemented the lovely groining of the roof and the lace-like carvings of the stalls and tombs near. Mr. Ferrey, the organist, played a selection of music during the arrival of the company, in which he displayed the great power and excellent quality of the instrument which he has the honour to preside over, and the church bells also rang out merrypeals. The pieces included Handel's occasional overture, Mendelssohn's Cornelius march, Mr. Ferrey's own Jubilant march, and Rink's flute concerto. The bride was led to the altar by Sir Percy Shelley. She wore a white satin dress trimmed with swan's down, and her head-dress was composed of orange blossoms and snowdrops—no ornaments. There were six bridesmaids—Miss Amy Gibson, Miss May Entwisle, Miss Scarlett, Miss Pauncefoot, Miss Clara Gervis, and Miss Rashleigh. They all wore white satin striped Japanese silk dresses, trimmed with muslin and lace, with roleaus of red satin and bows of the same; the head dress, exotic water lilies and heather; ornaments, the palmer shell—part of the Shelley arms; bouquets of red and white flowers. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Ferdinand St. John, assisted by the Rev. Z. Nash, curate of Christchurch; and at the conclusion the bride and bridegroom, having received the congratulations of those present, retired to the vestry amidst Mendelssohn's wedding march upon the organ and a peal from the bells. Eight-and-twenty carriages joined in the return of the happy pair to Boscombe, at the entrance to which was a floral arch surmounted by the crest of Sir Percy Shelley and a medallion bearing the monogram "F.B.S.," with the inscription on one side "Long life to the bride and bridegroom," and on the other "Health and prosperity."

The wedding breakfast was served in the theatre attached to the residence, which is known to be one of the most beautifully decorated rooms in the provinces. The drop scene is especially effective—a ruined temple on the banks of a stream, with a group of figures dancing in the foreground. On the stage a collection of exotic and other choice plants was arranged. The company who sat down to the repast included the Earl and Countess of Malmesbury, the Dowager Lady Abinger, Lord Abinger, General the Hon. Sir James York and Lady Scarlett, Lord Strathnairn and Campbell, Hon. Peter Campbell Scarlett, Miss A. Scarlett, Hon. Grantley F. Berkeley, the Misses Shelley, the Rev. F. St. John, the Hon. Mrs. Wrottesley, the Hon. Paul Methuen, the Rev. J. and the Hon. Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Lady Margaret Lushington, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Fane, Mr., Mrs., and Miss Phillipson, Mr. A. Fitzclarence Paget, Captain and Mrs. Hickman, Miss Eleanor Ricketts, Mrs. and Miss Gibson, Mr. Gibson, Hon. J. B. Vivian, Mrs. Sloman, Miss Cameron and Mrs. Strange, Miss Rashleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Wingfield, Capt. Wingfield, Mrs. Popham, Mr. and Mrs. H. Popham, Sir G. Stucley, Dr. Gully, Mrs. and Miss Pauncefoot, Mr. and Mrs. Esdaile, Mr. Withall, Mrs. and Miss Peacock, Lady Gervis, Miss Gervis, and Miss Clara Gervis, Mr. and Mrs. John Mills, Mrs. and Miss Entwisle, Rev. Z. Nash, the Rev. J. Anderson, Mrs. and Miss Hargreaves, Mr. Hargreaves, Dr. and Mrs. Falls, Miss Harrison, &c., &c.

Breakfast concluded, the company inspected the presents laid in the drawing room, which included:—From the Hon. P. Scarlett—pearl necklace with pearl and diamond pendant; Sir Percy and Lady Shelley—necklace of Australian diamonds, with turquoises and pearls, and tiara with pendant of Australian diamonds; General the Hon. Sir James and Lady Scarlett—set of gold necklace, bracelet, and ear-rings, with pearls and diamonds; Mr. and Mrs. Fraser—gold necklace, with locket of emeralds; Captain the Hon. J. Vivian—pink coral necklace with Neapolitan setting; Mrs. Peacock—gold bracelet with cipher on locket; Mr. Hamilton Aide—Spanish ornament of pearls, antique setting; Mr. Wheelwright—a pearl and diamond bracelet, and a plain gold ditto; Sir G. Stucley—a pearl and diamond brooch. Among the articles of vertu and art workmanship of various kinds may be mentioned a gold-gilt time-piece from the servants of Boscombe; set of salt cellars, Miss Shelley; pair of vases, Miss Margaret Shelley; rich Indian ivory carved casket, Mrs. Clayton; pair of Dresden china candelabra, the sconces supported by figures, Dowager Lady Abinger; time-piece in Dresden china, Mr. James W. Scarlett; massive oxydized silver inkstand, Mr. and Mrs. Streatfield; and contributions from the officers of the bridegroom's regiment, Sir John Walsham, Mrs. Phillipson, Mr. and Mrs. Shelley (Avington), Miss Margaret Shelley, Hon. Mrs. Duckworth, Mrs. Pauncefoot, Hon. Mrs. Halliburton, Hon. Mrs. Hardcastle, Mrs. Entwisle, Lady Gervis, Hon. Mrs. Vaughan Johnson, Dr. Gully, Hon. Maria Wrottesley; servants of the Hon. P. Campbell Scarlett, the Misses Fraser, Mrs. Strange, Misses Shiffner, and very many others, whose names we were unable to obtain.

The happy pair left during the afternoon for their honeymoon, amidst a shower of slippers, and a dinner party was given by Sir Percy in the evening. A word or two must be said for Messrs. Tucker and Holloway, the churchwardens, on whom devolved the seating and arrangement of so many persons. Mr. White, of Bournemouth nurseries, supplied the flowers and bouquets.

On occasions such as these, where the bride has been known from her earliest years as the graceful ornament of house and gardens, it is almost impossible not to feel a passing shade of melancholy at the change thus taking place, but when the heart is really concerned, hope in the happy future drives all gloom away, or a beam of joy [illegible] over all spectators, and everything goes off well. Boscombe Place has long been famed for its hospitalities and for the amusements afforded by its ample and brilliantly-arranged theatre, for its yachts, and for the hearty welcome afforded to all classes when theatricals were the order of the day. The throngs of the country people who lined the roads and streets of Christchurch amply testified to the deep and general interest taken in the lovely bride and happy bridegroom, nor did the beauty of the bridesmaids fail in their attraction to the joyous scene. In short, in no instance in our recollection did we see greater respect and attention shown to a leading family, nor a scene of this description so free from even a passing tear. May every happiness attend on the bride and bridegroom and on the families thus united! We simply echo the general wish in this desire, and trust that there will occur no cloud to mar the happy future.

July 11th 1868

CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

TESTIMONIALS TO SIR JOHN WALSHAM, BARONET.

On Tuesday last a banquet was given at the Bull Hotel, Cambridge, in honour of Sir John Walsham, Bart., who, for a number of years, has held the position of Poor Law Inspector of the Eastern District. He has now retired from that office on account of ill-health, and the Chairmen, Guardians, and officials of the different Unions supervised by him, determined to mark their sense of the impartial manner in which he had discharged his duties by presenting him with a service of plate. The idea was warmly taken up by the various officials connected with the seventy-five Unions which Sir John used to visit, and a sufficient amount of money was raised to purchase several handsome pieces of plate, a description of which will be found below. At this banquet this service of plate was formally presented to Sir John by the Earl of Stradbroke, who presided on the occasion. About forty friends sat down at six o'clock to a splendid repast, consisting of every delicacy of the season, which was served up in first-rate style. D. Fetch, Esq. (Clerk to the Cambridge Union), acted as coupier. Among the company we noticed besides the guest of the evening, Col. Ward (the present Poor Law Inspector for the Eastern District), J. W. Bellamy, Esq., and C. W. Jones, Esq., of the Poor Law Board; Marriand Wilson, Esq., Rev. F. P. Steward, Suffolk; C. E. Brown, Esq., Cambridge; T. Hills, Esq., Mayor of Rochester; S. Higham, Esq., Mayor of Faversham; Rev. C. E. Donne, Vicar of Faversham; W. Cockerell, Esq., Cambridge; Mr. J. Cooke (Chairman of the Cambridge Board of Guardians), Mr. Ingrey (Vice-chairman), Messrs. Rutter, Adams, Wright, Cole, Peeling, members of the Cambridge Board; H. Winter, A. Cosh, H. Fielding, H. Bathurst, J. Pringner, J. A. Anderson, jun., Faversham Board; J. Robinson (Chairman of Eastry Union, Mr. Charles Claxton (Clerk to Ely Union), Mr. Jardine (clerk to the Risbridge Union), and Mr. Maile (Clerk to the Faversham Union), and others.

Dinner being over, the usual loyal toasts were given from the chair.

The noble CHAIRMAN next gave "The Army, Navy, Militia, and Volunteers." It would not be necessary for him to remind gentlemen present of the great victories which had been won by the two first-named services in days gone by. He would, therefore, take upon himself to point to what had been done in the present century. Some of the most memorable deeds achieved by the army in this century were no doubt cherished in the memories of some in that assembly. The British army had been illustrious for its bravery—it had conquered most formidable opponents, while at the same time the navy had taken care to drive off the seas enemies of the British soil [cheers]. These forces were composed of men who entertained the best of sentiments—who had an ardent love of their country—who at times laboured under great disadvantages and privations; but with a good commander, these troops, in whom was to be found the greatest possible discipline, surmounted obstacles and difficulties which otherwise would be insurmountable [applause]. In the recent Abyssinian campaign, the gallant men engaged in it were worthy of all honour for their heroic conduct [cheers]. Having spoken of the army and the navy in terms of praise and which they so richly deserved, he would now come to the militia—a force of inestimable value—a force which had from year to year been strengthened—a force which stood next to the army, and which they were now prepared to assist. It was a force, composed of a body of men who were commanded by most distinguished officers, and to it all honour was due. Next to the militia came the volunteers, and he was proud to say that the volunteers now numbered about 180,000 men [applause]. It was gratifying to find such a vast body of men so willing, so apt, and so well disciplined, ready at all times, should they be required, to offer their services in the defence of this country [cheers]. It was one of the best toasts that could be given was that of the Army, Navy, Militia, and Volunteers [applause].

Colonel WARDE responded for the Army and Navy. He felt a diffidence in rising when he saw around him officers far older than himself and who would fulfil the duty far better than he could. He, however, felt proud to hear what had been expressed by the noble chairman, and also at the manner in which the toast had been received, and as it always was received by every one in this country. When men connected with these services were called upon to return thanks they felt awkward, but no awkwardness he was sure need be felt when the kind, sympathising manner in which the toast was received was taken into account. The army of this country, on the whole, could be believed to compete with anybody in the world. The Abyssinian campaign was unequalled for bravery and patience, unequalled for organisation, and unequalled for discipline. In fact he might say that in every engagement of our soldiers and sailors they did us great credit. He felt a difficulty in responding for the navy, and yet he thought not, as the artillery and the navy were so closely allied, and therefore stood next to each other [hear, hear]. His uncle had on many previous occasions been associated with the Navy, but never before did he feel proud to be standing to the toast, because he was in the presence of distinguished men. He thanked them most heartily for the manner in which the toast had been received.

Major F. M. WILSON, of Stowmarket, responded for the Militia. Wherever the Militia might be they would always be regarded as our fellow countrymen, and sure he was that the Militia would always be prepared to do duty when called upon. When we thought of the enormous armaments in Europe and the enormous fleets which some foreign countries possessed, it was more necessary than ever that we should be prepared for war, for if it came it would be sudden, and woe to that country that was not prepared. God forbid that the services of the Militia should ever be required, but should they be, he hoped that the organisation and the discipline of the Militia would prove of some little value. Whether the services of the Militia were needed or not—whether the Militia was prepared with that assurance it ought to give or not—we had the satisfaction of knowing that our Army and Navy were prepared with men whose brave hearts and good discipline would defend to the utmost of their ability the hearths and homes of England [applause].

Captain BATHURST, of the Second Kent Artillery Volunteers, responded for that service. He had been connected with the Volunteers since their organisation, and he was sure, if necessary, they would be found ready and willing to discharge their duty faithfully [cheers].

The noble CHAIRMAN rose to propose "The Archbishop and Clergy." Assembled as they were, in a town distinguished as one of the great seats of learning, he could not do less than ask them to drink the toast of "the Archbishop, the Bishop, and the Clergy." We were much indebted to the Clergy as a body for the high state of morality which existed in this country. He had much pleasure in proposing the toast.

The Rev. C. E. DONNE (Kent) said it gave him great pleasure to return thanks for the toast which had been so well proposed and so cordially received. Ordinarily speaking, assembled within the diocese of Ely, the toast would have been that of the Bishop of Ely and the Clergy, but inasmuch as the public testimonial to Sir John Walsham considered many Unions and embraced a great many Dioceses, it was quite right that the Archbishop should take the place of that of the Bishop. As he happened to be under the Archbishop's superintendence, he could say that from what he knew of his great attention, his kindness, and his consideration he had won the esteem and affection of all his clergy. In this place he need not speak of the assistance and co-operation the clergy required from the laity. We lived in troublesome times—we were successful in our campaigns, but let us strive also to be successful in the Church. We held different opinions, we disagreed upon certain points, but let us endeavour to agree upon the main point; let us be united in furthering the good works upon which we were all agreed [hear, hear]. They were assembled there to present to Sir John Walsham a testimonial in appreciation of him as a public man; they were about to present him with a testimonial for his ability, for his attention, for his courtesy, and for his consistency in his public acts. All he could say was that to know a man well they should know what he was in his private life. If his private life was good that would bear the test of everything else. They had met to express their approval of, and their gratitude to Sir John in his public capacity, and those excellent qualities, which as a public man Sir John possessed, were magnified a hundred-fold when we came to think what he was in his private life. The hospitality of his house had been most cordially shewn, and would be missed, but upon his retirement into the country he would prove himself a model of a landlord [cheers]. No greater supporter of the Church—no greater friend of the poor lived than the gentleman who had for so many years that high position which he now resigned [applause].

The EARL of STRADBROKE rose, amidst prolonged cheers, to present the testimonial of guardians and officers of the several unions to Sir John Walsham. The Earl of Stradbroke said:—Mr. Vice-president and gentlemen, we are now about to present the testimonials, the object for which we are assembled here this evening. I think I may say, from the reception you have given me, that we all agree that my friend, Sir John Walsham, has rendered very valuable services to the Eastern district, and that he still retains the good opinion formed of him [hear, hear]. If, owing to my want of voice, I should fail in giving full expression to my meaning, I hope that my worthy friend will not suffer in your appreciation, about which I have no apprehension. Many amongst you have watched his career with anxiety—a career, I say, that has been attended with success [applause]. It is one thing to secure the appreciation of those by whom you are employed, but it is another thing to gain the affection of all those with whom you are brought in contact [loud cheers]. I may say he has succeeded in both those capacities. His loss, as an officer of the Poor Law Board, will be great. We guardians all know how we are accustomed to receive him, and how he has always received us. His failing health has made it prudent for him to retire, for which we are deeply sorry; but, in that retirement, he will take with him the best wishes of all those with whom he is acquainted. I express my wish, and, I am sure, the wish of you all, when I say that I hope he may long live in the midst of much domestic happiness. I will now read the inscription accompanying the presentation from the guardians of the unions of the eastern parts of England:—

Presented to Sir John Walsham, Bart., by the Chairman and Guardians of the several Poor Law Unions supervised by him for nearly a quarter of a century as Inspector of the Poor Law Board, on his retirement from public life, as a mark of their esteem for his private worth and their admiration of the manner in which, with credit to himself and to the great advantage of the public service, he, at all times, courteously and efficiently carried out the duties of his office.—[This was engraved on a splendid epergne, which was accompanied by three smaller ones, on which was engraved Sir John's crest. The epergne had a massive silver foundation, with a splendid group of animals, such as giraffe, ostriches, deer, &c., and was supplied by the well-known firm of Messrs. Elkington].

Gentlemen, said the Earl of Stradbroke, I have another address to read from the various officers of the different unions. It is as follows:—

Presented to Sir John Walsham, Bart., by the Officers of the Workhouses in the several Unions supervised by him as Poor Law Inspector, on his retirement into private life, as a mark of their esteem and regard. July, 1868.—[This was engraved on a splendidly-chased epergne].

Mr. J. D. FETCH, Clerk to the Cambridge Board of Guardians, said he rose for the purpose of making a few observations. It was with feelings of considerable diffidence that he made a few remarks upon the testimonial from the clerks of the different unions. He did so, however, with a great deal of pleasure, as he could, with other clerks, testify to the very great kindness and the courtesy displayed by Sir John Walsham during the whole of the lengthened period he had held office, and which extended over a quarter of a century. He remembered Sir John Walsham's predecessor, Mr. Weal, and he remembered Sir John calling upon him (Mr. F.) informing him of his appointment. He thought that if there were any body of men calculated to express an opinion of the straightforward and faithful manner in which the duties of the Poor Law Inspector had been discharged, the clerks above all others were competent to express that opinion [hear, hear]. It was not without considerable regret and surprise that they received the announcement of Sir John's resignation—they felt assured that whatever might be the cause no individual could receive a greater command of respect. To Sir John Walsham the clerks were much indebted for having acted with them, informing them and giving them every advice upon every occasion when they found it necessary to seek it. By his urbanity of manner—by his courtesy—by his gentlemanly demeanour towards all, he had won their esteem. He (Mr. F.) had experienced great assistance and kindness from Sir John, and he thanked him sincerely for it. Upon his resignation being known, he (Mr. Fetch) took upon himself to communicate with his brother officers, informing them what his views were upon the subject of some testimonial being presented, showing the estimation in which they (the clerks) held Sir John Walsham, not only as to the manner in which he acted towards them, but also of his courtesy—his humane and gentlemanly bearing in the discharge of his duties. His conduct had been that of a thorough English gentleman [hear, hear]. As the one who took upon himself to communicate with the Clerks of the different Unions, he begged to say that there was not one dissentient—there was not one but who expressed himself in the warmest terms of the appreciation of Sir John's services, and at the same time great regret at his loss as an officer of the Poor Law Board. They all expressed themselves in the most cordial manner, and in language which conveyed unmistakably the highest esteem and regard [applause]. It was, then, his very great happiness, on behalf of the several Clerks, to present to Sir John Walsham that humble testimonial which was now before him. He felt assured that, humble as the testimonial was, it would be treasured by Sir John, and held as an heir-loom in his family [cheers]. The Clerks considered what should be the form of the testimonial [an inkstand]; there was no diversity of opinion upon it; they, as Clerks of the Unions, thought it appropriate, and that they could not do better than present the one selected. They cherished the hope that Sir John would have a long life to enjoy its use [hear, hear]. He (Mr. F.) had not risen to make these observations out of adulation or flattery, but simply to give expression to his sincere feelings, indorsed as he knew they were by every gentleman present. Mr. Fetch then read the inscription on the inkstand accompanying the testimonial as follows:—

Presented to Sir John Walsham, Baronet, late Poor Law Inspector, by the Clerks in the 75 Union incorporations and parishes lately comprising his district, in testimony of the high opinion they entertained of his administrative ability, and their appreciation of his courtesy and kind manner which distinguished him in his intercourse with them, as also all persons connected with the administration of the Poor Law in the district which he has so efficiently inspected for nearly a quarter of a century.—[This was engraved on an elegantly chased silver inkstand, value 70 guineas, supplied by Messrs. Garrard, of London. On the reverse side of the inkstand Sir John's crest was engraved.]

With these observations, Mr. Fetch said he hoped that Sir John might long live.

The health of Sir John Walsham was drunk with three times three.

Sir JOHN WALSHAM, upon rising to respond to the toast, was received with a volley of applause, which, having subsided, he said: My Lord, Mr. Vice-President, and Gentlemen—There are occasions upon which I imagine the usual flow of appropriate words must fail, even to the most practised and eloquent speakers, and then nothing remains for them but to express their feelings under a deep sense of their inability to give due effect, and serious misgivings as to the result of their efforts. In such a position I find myself, [with this difference: instead of being one of the kind I have named—unfortunate for me, and doubly unfortunate for you—you will have to listen to one who never had the gift of oratory, and who has lost (if he ever possessed) the skill of stringing sentences plausibly together. Though I am in this unfortunate position, I must endeavour to make up for that which I lack in eloquence by simple expressions of sincere and heartfelt thankfulness for the honour you have conferred on me this day. I would first thank you, my Lord, for having consented to act, as it were, the seal to that honour by presiding at this dinner, and also for having, in such flattering terms, made over to me these splendid testimonials, the gift of the guardians of the eastern district, whose uniform kindness and generosity I can never forget upon my retirement into private life. I have next to thank the Vice-chairman and Clerks for their unbroken friendliness which has ever existed in our official relationships, and for their handsome testimonial, and which, I beg to say, I hope is not a reminder of the trouble I have given them in deciphering my hieroglyphics [laughter]. If one could write sufficiently plainly, the sight of that inkstand would be a great temptation to try [hear, hear], and my friends, the Clerks, think they will indeed be able to make the experiment [laughter]. Lastly, I would offer to you all my tribute of sincere gratitude for your many instances of favour in the past, not only for these handsome testimonials you have been pleased to present me with, but for the very kind reception of my health; indeed, if anything could give me ease, or enable me (to borrow the expression of a great lawyer) to think standing, it would be in having so encouraging a mark of your gratitude and confidence. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman, too, have been indulgent in their kind remarks upon my prolonged connection with the Poor Law and its administration in the Eastern District. But, in truth, delightful as I feel and I know will be the recollection that I shall carry with me and retain to the end of my life on this day's proceedings—proud as I shall be myself—as my children must be whenever we see the distinguished and library of my west of England home adorned with these brilliant proofs; and that numerous as have been my shortcomings, and none can be more sensible of them than myself, my east of England friends are yet good enough to believe that to the best of my ability I did desire and strive to do my duty with honesty as regarded my official obligations—with courtesy as regarded the guardians and officers, and, at least, with considerateness as regarded the poor [loud cheers]. Proud and delightful as will be the future memories of this day, and which I shall ever cherish with feelings of happiness, yet I am rather embarrassed in my longing to respond in some degree, however slight, if fitness at all, for what you have done and are doing to evince your friendly dispositions towards me, and in this desire the reining veteran fears lest I should seem to lag "superfluous on the scene." But every word I endeavour to utter—every phrase in which I wish to convey my feelings, only serves to prove more forcibly that the very process itself is enriching me by your costly gifts, and honoring me though I am beggared in the attempt adequately to thank you. Nevertheless, pray believe that as defective as is the outward expression the inward sentiment of thankfulness could not well be stronger. Try, I beg of you, each in his own mind, to realise the superabundant cause I have for thankfulness, and then let each one of you ask himself whether it can be an easy thing to clothe that thankfulness in language which shall be at once satisfactory and sufficient. For myself I must give up the attempt. I am content with saying as I have not long ago said to my elder but not kinder friends in the West of England I thank you—I most heartily thank you. I thank you deeply for your kind feelings which these testimonials embody. I thank you, and through you, all other Guardians and officers not present, but from whom I have received for the past quarter of a century every kindness. I thank you for an abiding place which the remembrance of this day will give to me and mine. I desire to wish you all hearty health, happiness, and prosperity [prolonged cheers].

The MAYOR of ROCHESTER proposed "The Poor Law Board." This toast, said the Mayor of Rochester, was interesting to them all, and an honor to Sir John Walsham. Time was when the Poor Law Board was looked upon with a great deal of jealousy, but now that the usefulness of the Poor Law Board was seen, there was not a man who was concerned in the welfare of his country had the slightest desire to see any alteration in the constitution of the Poor Law Board. It was, therefore, with pleasure that he proposed the toast.

Mr. BELLAMY, one of the officials of the Poor Law Board, regretted that the institution was not better represented. He assured them that it was nothing but pressing Parliamentary business that prevented two of the high officials of the Board being present on that interesting occasion. He thanked them for the kind manner in which the toast had been proposed and received.

Mr. BATHURST proposed "The Chairmen of the Unions of the Eastern District." He knew that the duties of a chairman required the sacrifice of an immense deal of time, and as the duties were discharged with satisfaction, thanks were due to the gentlemen who undertook the office.

The Rev. F. STEWARD responded. He alluded to the 75 Unions which had come under Sir John Walsham's supervision, and observed that if the chairman of each was asked for an opinion upon Union matters there would be as much difference in sentiment as there was in appearance of person; but upon one subject, that of Sir John Walsham, he was quite sure they would be unanimous; they would say that during the 29 years Sir John had visited the Unions they had always found him courteous and kind, and the Poor Law Board ready to assist with their advice. Regarding Unions, he might say they were now in the presence of chairmen, some of seven, others of fourteen, and others of twenty years standing, and if asked the question they would each say that their Union was the best managed, the best conducted, in Sir John Walsham's district [laughter]. The rev. gentleman then referred to the trouble and inconvenience the duties of guardian occasioned, and alluded to the satisfactory manner in which they were carried out.

Mr. COCKERELL proposed "The Lord Lieutenants and Justices of the Peace throughout the Eastern District." Having referred to the impartial way in which the laws of this country were administered, and alluding to the Cambridge Union, where he had held the office of Guardian, Vice-Chairman, and Chairman at the Board, observed that he would venture to say that the Cambridge Union had given Sir John Walsham and the Poor Law Board more trouble than any other Union in the district [laughter]. He spoke in the highest terms of Sir John, and said that he had always met the reasonable expectations of the Guardians, and to Sir John Walsham they were much indebted.

The EARL of STRADBROKE responded as Lord-Lieutenant, and Mr. MAITLAND for the Magistrates.

Sir JOHN WALSHAM proposed "The Chairman," remarking that out of all the Unions he visited, he would not say that he never met with so good a Chairman as Lord Stradbroke, but he would say that he never met a better—ready at all times to discharge the ordinary duties of a Guardian, and regularly at his post, be the weather good or bad [hear, hear]. As to Lord Stradbroke's manner, nothing could be more agreeable, as to his discretion, nothing more humane; and as to his judgment, nothing more sound. They would agree with him that it was most gratifying to find a nobleman in Lord Stradbroke's position fulfilling the duties of a Guardian. [The toast was drunk with three times three.]

The noble CHAIRMAN, in reply, said of all duties, there were none that gave him so much pleasure as the duty of attending to the wants of the poor of his neighbourhood [applause]. He alluded to the changes which had taken place in the Poor Laws, and to the Union rating, which made all parishes liable for their poor. That change had given dissatisfaction to some, but upon the whole he believed it had worked well. He thanked them for he compliment paid.

Mr. COBB (Faversham) proposed "The present Poor Law Inspector."

Col. WARDE, in reply, said it would be his endeavour to tread in the footsteps of Sir John Walsham. From the moment of his appointment, Sir John had treated him with the greatest kindness—with the courtesy of a gentleman. Sir John had offered his advice upon all occasions. He (Col. W.) accepted the kind offer, and should look to him as a father. It would be his object to see, as far as he could, that the Poor Laws were administered in the best possible way.

Mr. MAILE proposed "The Mayors of Rochester and Faversham."

The MAYORS of ROCHESTER and FAVERSHAM responded to the toast.

Mr. MAILE, Clerk to Faversham Union, proposed "The Guardians of the Cambridge Union." As a Cambridge man and after an absence of about 30 years, he found himself in the proud position of doing honour to whom honour was due, and he told the Guardians that when they welcomed him they would have a hearty reception at Cambridge, and was glad they had not been disappointed.

Mr. COOKE, chairman of the Cambridge Board of Guardians, responded. With feelings of pleasure he could testify to the valuable services rendered by Sir John Walsham. In regard to the assertion of Mr. Cockerell that the Cambridge Union had given Sir John Walsham more trouble than any other, that might be so, and if it had there was one thing it had been the means of bringing out, the brilliant qualifications of Sir John, which would have been hidden but for the Cambridge Union [hear, hear.] Mr. Cooke admitted that there had been some unhappy divisions amongst the officers of the Cambridge Union, but as a Board of Guardians, no Board ever acted more harmoniously together than the Cambridge Board [hear, hear.]

Mr. ANDERSON proposed "Prosperity to Agriculture and Commerce," to which Mr. ROBINSON, chairman of the Eastry Union, responded.

The Rev. C. E. DONNE proposed the Hon. Secretaries, Mr. Maile and Mr. Fetch, who having responded, the proceedings concluded by the company singing the "National Anthem."

LINES

WRITTEN AT MIDNIGHT BY AN EX-M.P.

(But we think we have read them before).

I'm all in a flutter, I scarcely can utter
The words to my tongue that come dancing—come dancing.
I've had such a dream, that I'm sure it must seem
To incredulous ears like romancing—romancing.
No doubt it was brought on by poor Arthur Orton,
Who puzzled me quite with his stories—his stories;
Or through losing my seat in the galling defeat
We have suffered just now from the Tories—the Tories.

I dreamt Gladstone was walking with Homer and talking
The very best Greek he was able—was able,
While Mr. Disraeli and Dr. Kenealy
Were dancing a jig on the table—the table.
A Prince in the middle stood playing the fiddle;
And Lowe was intoning some catches—some catches,
Which, he sadly disclosed, he at one time composed
In praise of his duty on matches—on matches.

Then I, much distressed, said I freely confessed
That Luie had turned out a dodger—a dodger,
When Baigent and Whalley swore Coffee Calcalli
Was the true and undoubted Sir Roger—Sir Roger.
The monarch, excited at being thus slighted,
The party assembled would ogle—would ogle—
And turning to Goschen, affirmed with emotion,
That his father was really old Bogle—old Bogle.

There poor Mr. Hawkins sat darning his stockings,
Sad sign of his state impecunious—pecunious,
While a certain great judge, against whom I've a grudge,
Declared he himself, Sir, was Junius—was Junius.
And Algernon Swinburne, with modesty inborn,
Stood blushing in silent confusion—confusion,
Because Martin Tupper, who'd dropped into supper,
Had made an improper allusion—allusion.

Then on a tight rope Bismarck and the Pope,
No longer malicious or sullen—or sullen,
In a true Highland fling would exultingly spring,
To a bagpipe attuned by Paul Cullen—Paul Cullen.
And when they came down the bold Captain Brown,
Advancing with Marshal MacMahon—MacMahon,
The Archbishop addressed with a humble request
That he would continue to play on—to play on.

In strains sentimental, then Ayrton the gentle
Serenaded the "Dairyman's Daughter"—man's Daughter;
But Hooker of Kew quite boisterous grew,
And hustled him into the water—the water;
When Spurgeon, attired in a dress much admired—
A blue skirt, green pelisse, and pink bonnet—pink bonnet—
Though uneasily fat, made a dash at his hat,
And then began jumping upon it—upon it.

I'm really perplexed to say what happened next,
But, if I remember, the Claimant—the Claimant—
Expressed his regrets that some of his debts
Were unlikely to meet with prompt payment—prompt payment.
This being the case, with a very long face,
I made an appeal to Lord Rivers—Lord Rivers—
And I'm sorry to tell that he sent me to—well,
Where I'm sure to escape from cold shivers—cold shivers.

Behind Dr. Cumming a banjo was thrumming,
And singing the "Last Rose of Summer"—of summer—
While Archbishop Manning his visage was scanning,
And drinking his health in a rummer—a rummer.
Mesdames Tredgett and Jury flounced out in a fury;
They said Mr. Gladstone had kissed them—had kissed them;
And called Antonelli and Chief Baron Kelly
To hasten at once and assist them—assist them.

In painful surprise I attempted to rise
And study in detail the matter—the matter,
When heels over head, plump down on my bed,
Tumbled "Tich" with a deuce of a clatter—a clatter.
Such then is the scheme I recall of my dream,
And its features as now I descry them—descry them,
But I just wish to say that I hold, by the way,
Certain Bonds, Sir, if you'd like to buy them—to buy them.

PRESTEIGN.

MARRIAGE FESTIVITIES AT KNILL.

"All went merry as a marriage bell," sung the poet, and perhaps of the many sayings so frequently quoted from his fertile brain, none is so well worn. We wish he had been at Knill on Tuesday last, to have coloured with poetic taste and fancy the scene there pourtrayed—the occasion—the landscape—the gay and lively company—all evoke feelings akin to the poetic. Of all the lovely bits of England's lovely pastoral views, commend us to the Knill Valley, where, without roaming into foreign lands to seek it, you find views excelling which there are but few met with in a tourist's travels, however wide he roams. It was to celebrate the marriage of the heir to this beautiful Valley that the hundreds of happy faces had congregated. On Tuesday last the eldest son of the widely-known and beloved Sir John Walsham—to use the fashionable phrase of the day—led to the hymeneal altar the beautiful and accomplished the Honourable Miss Scarlett; and nothing less than an event so important to the friends and the tenantry, could have procured the assembling of such a throng to do honour to the occasion and to mingle hopes and wishes for the health, happiness, and prosperity of the happy couple. At an early hour of the morning the bells of Presteign sent out their merry notes to make known the happy day for the surrounding country, from all parts of which, both far and wide, flocked group after group all wending their way to Knill Court, and there the bells of Knill!! Oh you should have heard their merry peal, we never did before, but the music of that peal will for many a day float o'er our senses. The position, or rather the situation of the church being on a rocky eminence, beneath which winds the bubbling brook, will in a great measure account for the joyously mellowed sound, all we can say is, that as long as the men could pull the ropes the bells of Knill chimed merrily forth in honour of the occasion. To attempt to give an idea of the scene would require powers of portraiture which, although, journalists are supposed to possess every qualification upon earth, we candidly confess we have not, but one thing we have a sense of wonder how Mr. and Mrs. Hamar, the old and respected tenants of Sir John Walsham, with all the assistance which their amiable daughters could give them, could so well accomplish such a comfortable provision. Mr. and Miss Hamar, of Little Brampton, were also very indefatigable in their exertions, as were also Mr., Mrs., and the Misses Hamar, of Lower Harpton, but where all and everyone must and did put the shoulder to the wheel it is needles to particularise, and all we need record is that the whole affair passed off with that success which is the surest guarantee that not labour, expense, exertions, or judgment, were found wanting. We should say, in passing, that the clergyman of Knill, the Rev. R. Chambers, and Mrs. Chambers, had taken great pains in the preliminaries. But let us say of what those rejoicings consisted. In the first place, then, we need hardly say that all who know Sir John Walsham know "that where he feasted all the great he ne'er forgot the poor." So now the first care was bestowed upon his workpeople, their wives, and children, and all the poor in the parish, who were set down to a most excellent and substantial repast in the house, the rooms of which had been most tastefully and prettily dressed with floral devices and mottoes for the occasion. The appearance of the rooms elicited the warmest praises from all comers. The mottoes were plentiful and appropriate: "May the evening of their life be as joyous as the morning of their bridal;" "Long life and happiness to the bride and bridegroom;" "Long life and happiness to Sir John Walsham and his family;" "The single married and the married happy," &c., &c. Upwards of 200 were plentifully regaled with good old English fare, and loud and fervent were the wishes of old and young for the happiness of the young couple. Of those present, many had nursed him as a baby; and in proof of the good understanding existing between the lord of the soil and its dependants, many of those who then feasted in his halls were descendants of forefathers who generations ago served the ancestors of their present benefactor. Having seen the good folks to their repast, we will stroll through the beauties of nature here presented to us.

The beautifully romantic situation of Knill, its Swiss-like scenery of woody hill and fertile valley, through which sounds its bubbling stream, the Endwell—happy, ominous name, for to-day at all events—on a vast perpendicular rock above which is perched, as it were, the mansion, from the windows of which you look out upon one of the fairest of the West of England's many valleys and exquisite views. At the back rises the lofty furze-covered Knill Garraway, terminating on the right in the abrupt and perpendicular Hurrock, a land mark for miles, beyond which towers again the rugged, rocky, Stanner, surmounted by the Devil's Garden, of wide renown; on the other side the richly wooded steeps of Knill and Burva closes the valley from that of Evenjobb and old Radnor. Along the plain stretches a lovely valley of rich pasturage, terminating in the blue and

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the Duke of Northumberland to Sir John Walsham; Al. (3rd person) Lord Fitzroy Somerset to Sir John Walsham, July 3, 1840; Al (3rd person) from the Bishop of London to Sir John Walsham, Dec. 3, 1849; Als. Lord Eldon (grandson of the famous Lord Chancellor) 1 Hamilton Place, London, Feb. 27, 1844, to Mrs. Bell (discusses Twiss' life of his grandfather);