

MAIN ENTRY: Townshend Collection.

(267 letters in 30 folders in 1 box)

a) Letters directed to George Townshend, 1st Marquis, 1724-1807.

Most are written 1767-1772 while he was Lord Lieutenant of Ireland; a large number of these are requests for civil or military preferment.
163 letters.

b) Other correspondence, 1711-1849.

This material was acquired with the Townshend letters, and many of the writers or recipients are connected to the Townshend-Cornwallis-Ferrers-Wentworth circles. Discusses the Army, India, the East India Company, politics; reflects daily existence in all classes. Mostly written 1760-1820.

104 letters.

DATES COVERED: 1711-1849.

DATES WRITTEN: 1711-1849

TYPE: Collection of letters.

LANGUAGE: English

PLACE: Gt. Brit. & Ireland (esp. London and Norfolk); a few from India or Europe.

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The collection is not catalogued in depth. Attempts to identify persons have not generally been taken further than the DNB. Possible misidentifications have usually been indicated by a (?) after the heading in the MS card catalogue. The manuscript cataloguer will be glad to receive any additional information.

It is advisable to read the calendar through before calling for material.

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Folders I-XXI: Letters directed (apparently) to George Townshend, 1st Marquis, 1724-1807.

Folders I-XVI are addressed to "My Lord" unless otherwise noted, and appear to have been meant for the eyes of George Townshend. Few of them actually bear an address: the letter is assumed to be directed to Townshend if "Your Excellency" is mentioned in the text and the letter bears a date within Townshend's period of viceroyalty (19 Aug 1767-30 Nov 1772). Other letters which have to do with Townshend's position directed to his secretaries (Waite and Lees), to Lady Townshend, and concerning Sir George Macartney, his Chief Secretary, are included here, as well as a couple of letters containing matter probably concerning Townshend which are docketed in one of the hands which docketed the other Townshend-letters.

AA Folder I: Townshend: To July 1767

1. Wodehouse, Sir Armine, 1714-1777. Dear Sir...comp^{ts} to Lady Ferrers (T's wife).
19 May 1763, Kimberly (Norfolk)
Pamphlets; Wilkes; our Constitution; "y^e best King that ever was in this Country";
army resignations; buy me a horse in Staffordshire.
2. same same
22 Sept 1763, Kimberly
Sorry couldn't meet you in Norfolk; sending Grand Jury instructions.
3. Stanton, Frederick Lord Townshend at Rainham
31 July 1767, Rotterdam
Sending pickle herrings.

AB Folder II: Townshend: Aug 1767

1. Dixon,
4 Aug 1767, Islington near Lynn (Norfolk)
Your last payment for turnpike between Lynn and Wisbeck due.
2. Palairat, E
4 Aug 1767, Piccadilly
Application for position as private Secretary in his Lordship's new Irish Department.
3. Hunter, Robert
6 Aug 1767, Marybone
You said 15 months ago you would help me if you could; now you're Ld Lt may I serve
you in Dublin; I will call on you at Rainham to learn your answer.
4. Blakeney, Mr.
10 Aug 1767, Piccadilly
Recommends Chri: Dunn, Master of the Draper, a Dublin Trader, to move heavy
baggage to Dublin.
5. Freeman, Thomas Viscount Townshend, Audley Sq., London
13 Aug 1767, Tamworth (T's Warwickshire estate)
Thanks for letter you sent me by Capt Manby; asks for job for son 15.
6. Lowe, Mr (by E. Lowe's hand)
16 Aug, 1767, Stiffkey (Norfolk)
Congratulations on appointment.
7. Bonell, Thomas
20 Aug 1767.
I would like a civil or military position in Ireland, though my speech is
impaired; recommended by Mr Luttrell for services at Tamworth.
(Docketed: Mr Bonell. Attorney. not to be regarded. Private.)
8. Parkhurst, Fleetwood
28 Aug 1767, St James Coffee House
As a fellow campaigner in Portugal I ask to be an Aid de Camp in Ireland.
(Docketed: Mr Lees to answer this... (directions for polite refusal; from T?)
9. Mercer, Richard (Major)
29 Aug 1767, Dublin Castle
Congratulations on your appointment; may I continue as Gentleman Usher?
(Pencil note: already granted)

AC Folder III: Townshend: Sept-Dec 1767

1. Gordon, Abraham
2 Sept 1767, Craven St.
Requests Commission on Irish establishment for eldest son, aged 11: precedents.
2. Schomberg, Solomon
2 Sept 1767, 60 Ludgate Hill
I answered an attack on you in the papers of 28 Aug by a letter signed Philo Veritatis, and will answer yesterday's by another.
3. Clarke, Mrs. L
4 Sept 1767, Bailey Hall, Hertford
Your Lordship
Thanks for your reply; remember my son.
4. Cornwall, W
8 Sept [docketed 1767] Mo...?
Condolences; I hesitate to write Lady Townshend at Whitehall. re, brother's death
5. Cooke, Adam Moses Emanuel "in the Name of the Patriarch of Church & State in the Isle of Wight."
18 Sept 1767, Denmark Court at the Golden Ball.
Crank politico-religious warning against going to Ireland to his destruction.
6. Cavendish, George [Lord George, bro. of Duke of Devonshire?]
25 Sept 1767, Holker [Hall, Milnthorpe, Westmoreland]
Please support me as Candidate for Derbyshire.
7. Beauchamp-Proctor, Sir William, 1st bart., 1722-1773. Your Lordship
2 Oct 1767, Langley [Park, Norwich, Norfolk.]
I do not understand your letter; I never asked a favor of you.
8. Burslem, Mrs.
18 Nov 1767, Market Bosworth, Leicestershire
Please give the living of Walton to my husband who has been at great expense in a law-suit
9. Smith, Samuel.
24 Nov 1767, London
Remember my brother-inlaw, Lt Marshall Wright, put on half-pay at the Reduction in 1763.
10. Seilern, Le Comte de
24 Nov 1767, Londres
Introducing Capt. d'Obern.
[In French] T, Dublin
11. Armstrong, General Bigoe
10 Dec 1767, London, Argyle St.
I wish to succeed to the 58th Reg.

AD Folder IV: Townshend: Jan-July 1768

1. Walsingham, R B
21 Jan 1768, Portugal
I am extremely astonished that Mr Manly should say so; I sent them orders to support your friends through Sir Clement Trafford.

- 2. Cornwall Viscountess Townshend 2 sheets
 27 Jan [docketed 1768] [Commons]
 Parliamentary news: Middlesex elections; bill vs election corruption (Beckford and Oxford corruption; appointments.
- 3. Cosby, Dudley Sydney
 10 Feb 1768, Bath
 Sorry I can't be in Dublin as Duke of Grafton asked: "I am in a course of Bath Water on account of a flying Gout."
- 4. Wood, Capt. Alexander Viscount Townshend
 22 Feb 1768, Derby
 Wishing to exchange with a half-pay lieutenant out of the 65th Reg (Irish Establishment): enclose recommendation from Gen Monckton and Col Mackay.
- 5. Walsingham, [Capt R B
 25 [docketed April 1768]
 Sorry for your ill success in both kingdoms; my brother and son; first session will produce many petitions, suggest extra sheriffs ("Sir James Lowther's return, is a master piece, by all accounts, every one seems surpriz'd at the Sheriff's Fortitude."); Wilkes dancing.
- 6. Clare [Nugent, Robert Craggs Nugent, earl, 1702?-1788. 1766 created Viscount Clare (I)]
 16 June 1768, Gt. George St.
 I have accepted the ViceTreasurership of Ireland and am coming over with Mr Grenville.
- 7. Fortescue, M
 9 July 1768, Reynoldston
 Shall call on you after our election; my brother thanks you.
- 8. Dawson, Arthur
 27 July 1768
 I am ill and cannot call on you.

AE Folder V: Aug-Dec 1768

- 1. Scott, Col. John
 9 Aug 1768, London
 Lt. Herbert of the 10th wishes to sell his half-pay.
 [docketed: For Mr Waite]
- 2. Lowther, Gorges
 25 Sept 1768, Kircubi?
 Recommending Rev. Wm. Walker for the living of Kilsalaghan & Chappelmiddy, Dublin.
- 3. Mackenzie, [J.S.?
Lord Townshend
 18 Oct 1768, Hill St [docketed: Mr Stewart Mackenzie]
 Recommending Sir George Macartney for Lord Frederick Campbell's Irish post: related to our family by marriage.
- 4. Tenison, Mrs Henrietta
 19 Oct [docketed 1768]
 I am the widow of Col. Tenison who was forced to sell out to support a lawsuit against Dean Delany of Down; my relative the Duchess of Northumberland got me £50 of the Concordatom money; now I need more.
- 5. Framingham, Cozens To John Lees Esq.
 22 Oct 1768, Swaffham [Norfolk]
 Thank his Excellency for me; unfortunately my sons are either too ill or too young for a military post.

6. Wilson, Col. ? William

13 Nov 1768, Kirby

"I have been from Rudham [Rudham Grange, west of Raynham?]...and shall not return till after Xmas, as Mrs Wilson Expects Every day to Lay in, (this Fox hunting keeps y' Ladies in full Employment) I hear Lady Townshend in in y' same Situation" Will be glad to entertain Mr Conolly when he's at Rainham; fox-hunting; can we see you in Norfolk this winter?

7. Trafford, Sir Clement

22 Nov 1768, Dunton Hall [north of Raynham?]

Recommending Wensley of Wisbech [Cambridgeshire] as steward of your courts, especially Soham [Cambridgeshire?], of great service to the cause at the late Norfolk contest; thanks for message about Mr Pennington sent by Capt Manby, and order on Rainham Park.

8. Plukenett, John

27 Nov 1768. Waterford

Ran into debt by purchasing my Company, when 10th Co on this Establishment reduced: can you add something to my half-pay?

AF Felder VI: Townshend: Jan-Dec 1769

1. Dilkes, Gen. OB

Sir

8 Jan 1769, Dublin.

Please forward to the Lord-Lt this extraordinary thing which Mr Dunlop has brought. [DNB: Dilkes, Sir Thomas (1667?-1707)...said to have had two sons, Michael O'Brien Dilkes, lieutenant-general in 1774....] *cf xxxxi*

2. Cornwallis, Caroline (Townshend), d. 1811. To Lady Townshend.

12 Jan 1769, London

Your sons George and Jack acted Syphax and Cato tonight at Lady Townshend's at Whitehall admirably well. "A Play, you know, was quite a new sight to [the Archbishop.]" "I hope this will find you safe & well in your bed." [Wife of Cornwallis, Frederick, 1713-1783 who became archbp of Canterbury in Aug 1768; daughter of William Townshend (3rd son of Charles, 2nd viscount); married Feb 1759.]

3. Compton, Lady M

To Lady Townshend.

1st Jan 1769, Bruton St.

Congratulations on birth of son. The 2 Mr Townshends here are well, and acted their parts beautifully.

4. Cuninghame, Col. James

20 Mar 1769, St James Palace

This morning I took your letter of introduction to the Duke of Grafton. I said "that I apprehended that when you used your utmost endeavors to carry the Augmentation, you must have involved yourself in Military engagements...when the servants of the Crown were openly opposing the Ld Lieut & remaining in Office... his Grace said...if his advice...was followed, your Lordship must have power sufficient, & opportunities of forming a System to carry on the Kings service in that Country."

5. Fortescue, M

[an old Privy Councillor]

19 May 1769, London

The Duke of Grafton is also assisting me in getting a peerage.

6. Clare [see IV:6]

20 June 1769, Castleton

Jocular letter on poetry and characters of Townshend boys.

7. Dawson, Thomas. [docketed "of Monaghan"]
15 July 1769, Fernhill near Windsor.
Shall go to Ireland in your service; wish a peerage.
8. Rooke, James
7 Nov [docketed 1769], London
Sorry, can't come because of rheumatism which Sir John Pringle advises me to go home for.
9. St. George, Grace
17 Nov 1769
I am the distressed widow of Capt. George St. George.
[Note paper: transparent writing lines]
10. Healy, John
13 Dec 1769
I, sponsored by your dead brother, need a competency; you disappointed me of a Barrackmaster's place; can you give me some Concordatum Money?
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AG Folder VII:Townshend: Jan-June 1770

- ✓ 1. Barwell, Nathaniel
27 Jan 1770, Abingdon St
Parliamentary news: debate on Wilkes' expulsion.
2. Leaver?, [M?]
5 Feb 1770, Montagu St, Stevans Port
Thanks; remember my daughter after my death.
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3. Elsmere, Edward
12 Mar 1770, Prospect near Ross
Please appoint me Barrack-master of Limerick.
4. Burton, Pierpont
13 Mar 1770
Bradshaw will approve of my pension of £600 a year if you will.
5. Fitzgerald, Richard
17 Mar 1770, Henrietta St
Lord Kingston tells me that I am reputed to have spoken against you; I did not.
6. Lowther, George
23 Mar 1770
Please make the Rev. Robert Gorges a Dean.
7. Castleton, N
16 Apr 1770, London
Recommending Capt Hannus; remember to keep Mary Cullen on the Concordatum list.
Sc
8. Palmer, Roger
16 June 1770, Ballyshannon
Sorry you were too ill to come to Curragh meeting here; Conolly of Kildare's favorite Richmond.
9. Noble, Jerome
23 June 1770, Lisnishea
Old soldier wants support: i.e. half-pay Lieutenantcy for son, etc.

* 2A. Stokoe, Vincent
1 Mar 1770, Custom House, London
Enclose account of his Debt on p. 31: grateful for interest.
Sir on behalf of his Lordship

Folder VIII: Townshend: July-Dec 1770

- 1. Kelly, Capt.
I delivered the silk and gloves to the fair one, but I could only find one dozen gloves in Dublin; happy to do London errands; hope Lady T has got the better of her complaint and that the babes are well.
19 July 1770, Berry Green near Enfield Herts.
- 2. Deer cor Deen, John
27 Aug 1770, London
My misfortunes in Lisbon: delighted to be your Gentleman-at-Large and an Ensign.
- 3. Riddell, John
30 Oct 1770, Edinburgh
Condolences on death of Lady Townshend; thank his Lordship for providing for my nephew.
Sir
- 4. Vernon, G
7 Nov [docketed 1770], Bolton ST
"Your Lordship is also Great in Affliction"; i.e., my patron is dead and failed to provide for me. Let me know if Lord Ferrers sends news of his schoolfellow Lord Granby.
- 5. Barwell, Nathaniel
13 Nov 1770, Abingdon St
Parliamentary news: address passed concerning King's action in Spain.
- 6. Cane, Lt. Col. (R. D. I.) Hu:
30 Nov 1770, London
The Orders for all officers on the Irish Establishment to repair to their posts are hard on me; I am just back from the Hague and my lands in Berkshire have been neglected for years.
- 7. Loftus, Lady Frances
[docketed 21 Dec 177(0?)]; [Rathfarnham]
Thanks: my brother's name is Henry Monro. Miss Townshend is well.

Folder IX: Townshend: Jan-May 1771

- 1. Cane, Col. Hu:
1 Jan 1771, London
I am coming to Ireland as you command.
- 2. Brandon, Lady E.
27 Feb 1771
"Go on...pursue your blow, Conquer, thoroughly Humble your Insolent presuming Enemy's"
- 3. Cavendish, Sir Henry
8 Mar 1771, London
Congratulations on Parliamentary success of 26 Feb.
- 4. Stanley, [W] H
4 April 1771, Steep Hill, Isle of Wight
Introducing Major Bromhead on Dublin Duty. Congratulations de pacata Provincia; would you could do it to London; hope you'll be back soon.
- 5. Bayley, Dean Edward
29 May 1771
My daughter's husband, Mr Butler, became security for £1700 towards the purchase of a Troop of Horse for his brother, who has died. Ruin unless you intervene.

6. Heard, Edward
30 May 1771, Kinsale
If you come to Kinsale this summer, accept my house.
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Folder X: Townshend: June 1771

1. 5 June 1771.
Memorandums left with Mr Waite by Sir George Macartney concerning Irish and regimental affairs and patronage.
2. Vernon, Gen. Charles.
7 June 1771, Cork St.
Introducing Mr Sloane (MP for Isle of Wight) who's visiting Ireland. I saw Lady Townshend and Lord Ferrers yesterday; they say your son Jack is doing well at Eton.
3. Monckton, Lt. Col
11 June 1771, Cork
Recommending Capt. Nevin.
4. Bouchetiere, Capt. L. Sir
16 June 1771, Cove
Please deliver this Memorial to his Excellency; mentions the Collector of Youghal, Mr Moore, Capt Hennis, Bp of Waterford.
5. Bouchetiere, Lewis. Viscount Townshend
Memorial: I am dying of gout: provide for my wife.
6. Palmer, Roger
26 June 1771
I will content myself with Mr Smyth's Place until you can put me on a Revenue Board.
7. Fetherstone, Mr.
29 June 1771, Ardagh near Longford.
Apologising for non-attendance; can't return because of Corporation business.
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Folder XI: Townshend: July-Dec 1771

1. Castleton, N
17 July 1771, London
Mr. Lee has written me that widow Cullen will be given Concordatum money; thanks. Wounded Lt. Stannus needs a pension; Lord Granby would have provided for him if he had lived.
2. Barry, Dr. Lord Townshend
4 Aug 1771
Miss Townshend's present complaints principally proceed from a languor in her constitution.
[Letter torn]
3. Marlay, Col. [Thomas?]
6 Sept 1771, Cellbridge
My brother wishes church preferment; I have given up all thoughts of promotion under Government.
4. Swift, John
16 Sept 1771, Dublin
I enclose Lord Halifax's recommendation: I was deprived of my Company more than 10 year ago.
5. Halifax, George Montague Dunk, 1st earl, 1716-1771.
Copy of letter to Lt. John Swift.
21 May 1771, Green House, Hampton Court.
My illness. Mr Waite knows I cannot assist you in Ireland at the present.

6. Morris, Capt. Apollos (27th Reg) Lord Townshend
17 Sept 1771
I wish to buy Major Foresters majority.
7. MacLean, Capt. Allan
23 Sept docketed 1771
Thanks for condolences; Miss Monro's affliction is excessive; Cornet Loftus.
Hope you are getting rid of your present complaint.
8. Ferguson, Mrs M
11 Oct 1771, Drogheda
Wishes preferment for husband: "My Present Concern is for Seven Sons and Six Daughters that God has Blessed me with Five of My Sons fit for Employment"
9. 12 Oct 1771, Yarmouth Lord Lieutenant of Ireland
Petition recommending Lt John Leake Burrege (44th Reg of Foot in the Irish Establishment) who wishes to buy a Company.
Signed by Yarmouth burgesses: Anthony Taylor, mayor; Colman Manclarke; Thomas Martin; Richard Baker; F. Ramey; William Fisher; T. Adkin; John Ives.
Docketed: Application from ye Gentlemen of Yarmouth in favor of Lieut Burege on half pay from ye 44th Reg^t to be put on full pay.
10. Marsh, Capt. J
22 Oct 1771, Clonnikelty
I wish to purchase a majority.
11. Clerk, Col. Robert Lord Townshend, Ld Lt of Ireland
3 Dec 1771, Clarges St Piccadilly
Wants Regiment of foot; offers account of Prussian and Austrian armies and of their affairs civil and military.

AL Folder XII: Townshend: Jan-May 1772

1. Mackye, J. Ross [To Sir George Macartney]
14 Feb 1772, London
Introducing my relative, Capt Dunbar: disappointed of preferment he wishes to sell his Company; can you get the Ld Lt's permission?
2. Coghlan, [F?]
28 Feb, docketed 1772, Camerland St.
"I look upon the Government Business as now totally finish^d" I have been supporting the Government here ever since I came into Parliament: may I have Eyre's £400 a year pension and the position of Clerk of the deliveries in the Ordnance?
3. Cuninghame, Col. James
7 Mar 1772, St James Place
Wish to exchange my company for Lt Col Windus' halfpay; if not possible, wish extended leave of absence "till after the Review, as my attendance with the Reg^t would lay me under the necessity of commanding both field Officers of the Regiment now in Garrison at Corke"
4. Andrews, F [provost] To Mr Lees, Castle
2 April 1772.
Please remind his excellency about Rev. John Andrews and Rev. Gabriel Stokes who wish preferment.

5. Greville, Fr:
 4 April "1771" rdocketed 1772, and 1772 from text
 Thanks for your kindness to Mr Bindon. In Town "everything seems to go on very smoothly & nobody hears a word of Politicks, the Royal Marriage-Bill....Lord Clive has...spoke wonderfully well also in the East India business. we are now much more interested in what passes on your side the Water. expence...that goes forward here, The famous new Pantheon...equipages...play.... " Fox's resignation.
6. Rockfort Mentzies?], Col. Richard
 18 May 1772
 Disappointed by your failure to get me Lt Colonelcy of 2^d Home. Roger Palmer, Col Boyd, Ld Barrington. Ordered to join 39th Reg at Gibraltar.
7. Throckmorton, Sir Robert
 27 May 1772, London
 Please forward letter to my grandson when he arrives, or to Rome or Florence.

- AM Folder XIII: Townshend: June-Sept 1772
1. Coghlan, T. (not same hand as XII:2)
 rdocketed 5 June 1772
 I wish to have Mr Magill's place at the Barrack board.
2. Faussit, Bab rdocketed Mrs Faucit
 9 June 1772, Enniskillen
 Army widow asking help: Capt Mcclean, one of Lord Ely's family, has already submitted her memorial, but "If Publick Report is to be Credited I much fear your Excellency's Removal."
3. Grove, Blencer?],hassett rdocketed M^r Sherriff
 13 June 1772
 Thanks for your help with my application to be Clerk to the Board of Accounts; now I need more help.
4. Noble, Capt. James
 15 June 1772, near Lisnishea
 Asks support for son presently at Military Academy at Little Chelsea, England.
5. McFarlane, Maj. James (53rd Reg) My Lord
 25 June 1772, Limerick
 Thanks for providing for my son.
6. Carter, Dr. Matthew
 2 July 1772
 My apprehensions of a gloomy event in your family have been realised; effects may involve a large suffering family and me in a fearful situation; I look for help from your benevolence.
7. Trotter, Misses Caroline, Catherine, Mary, Elizabeth) To Viscount Townshend
 2 July 1722, Dublin
 Affecting letter: A year since our Father died; thanks for helping us orphans, but we need more help!
 (Letter torn)
8. Harrington, Lady Lord Townshend
 4 Sept rdocketed 1772], London
 Do not leave Ireland without providing for the Southwell ladies.
9. Boddington, John Dear Sir
 7 Sept 1772, Tower
 I have been getting the Patent for Lord Townshend.

10. Gary, Col. W

Sir

28 Sept 1772, Dungiven

Lord Townshend would want to give my elderly neighbor a pension.

11. Holmsè, Capt James

30 Sept 1772, Marlborough St.

I am wasting my capital waiting for a Dublin post; give me any job.

Folger XIV: Townshend: Oct 1772

1. Manby, ~~could be Manley~~

My Lord

5 Oct 1772, Denver Cottage [Denver is S. of Downham Market, Norfolk]

I am reconciled to my loss; can I do an errand for you in London before you land? Remember the state of the Out-Pensioners from the Hospital of Kilmainham who live in England; and agent is needed to cash their checks.
Norfolk news: canvassing...the turnips succeeded extremely well.

2. Brandon, Lady E

6 Oct 1772

Request not made for nephew Francis Mathew, MP Tipperary, but for Jos: Mathews, MP Ennistiege who has been "a good Boy."

3. Johnston, Sir Richard

14 Oct 1772, Dublin

Barrack to be built in Gilford for the protection of Johnston's family and to keep order; your men say my house suited to be a Barracks; slander says this is corruption and I mean to leave the country; but I mean to stay and build a new house there.

4. Another version of XIV:3

5. Boddington, John

Dear Sir

20 Oct 1772, Tower, London

Tell Lord Townshend that his Patent as Master General of the Ordnance dates from when he gives up the Sword of State; thanks for goodness to Bassett; General Conway's resignation.

6. Irwin, Mrs Maryann

22 Oct 1772, Smithfield

I am a widow recommended by Clare; pension me before you leave; early loss of your near friend, the most amiable of ladies.

7. Osborne, [Sir William]

[docketed 24 Oct 1772]

Gout prevents me from attending your Excellency in Council; shall call on you in Dublin.

8. Crotty, A

Dear Sir

24 Oct 1772, Dublin

Mr Dash promised that Lord Townshend would take care of me; I came to Dublin and spent all my capital waiting; now T is leaving!

AO Folder XV: Undated letters addressed to the Lord Lieutenant, and therefore probably to Townshend between 1767 and 1772.

1. Butler, John Lord Lt. of Ireland
clerk in the Chief Secretary's Office
Memorial asking for commission for his son.
2. Colthurst, John My Lord
Why have you failed me in my desire to buy a captaincy?
3. Cuninghame, [Col] James
Thanks for leave of absence; I need more pay and rank than that of an Irish Capt. of Foot, as friend of your late brother. "I most heartily wish your Excellency joy of your acknowledged popularity in Ireland, & the escaping abuse better than any of your predecessors."
4. Fuller, Lt. Edward. Ld Lt. Townshend
Memorial on behalf of Lt Fuller of the 51st Reg. of Foot, who should be promoted to a Company. Details of service, and payments made. Signed by Thomas Martin, John Norfor (?), William Butcher, Richard Moyses, William Manning, L Mahn (?), Gibson Lucas, John Ramey, John Love, Charles Weston, Isaak Jackson, Bacon, A Wodehouse, C Buckle, T Churchman, William Croone?, Robert Harvey, Thomas Harvey, John Goodman, Poole (?), Robert Rogers, Samuel Rash, Thomas de Grey, John Fisher, William Fisher, Richard Baker, John Barnby, William Woodbine.
clletter fragile and torn
5. Knox, John Dear Sir
I hear that "my Lord Lieut. had taken offence at my Parliamentary Conduct--& that I was one of those on the List to be removed from my Employment" so I have rushed here from the North to get an appointment with him to tell him that I have only once voted against Government (Defense bill). I am sure Capt Erskine "would be pleased at doing even a stranger Justice." Come and play whist this evening. Molesworth St.

AP Folder XVI: Letters apparently addressed to Townshend Dec 1772-Jan 1800, and undated.

1. Hellen, Robert MY Lord
1 Dec 1772 [Ireland]
Since I probably shall not see you again, I wish to say that I left the infants well at Holyhead, and to thank you for your kindnesses.
2. Bramham, James, Lt Gov Royal Military Academy To Viscount T, Master Gen of Ordnance
5 Nov 1778, Woolwich
Major [Ralph] Gore has removed his son to be an Ensign in the 33rd Reg of Foot.
3. Carleton, Major of the Dublin Volunteers [Docketed To Lord Townshend]
18 Aug 1784, Dublin
"The Hearts of Irishmen glow with Veneration & Gratitude...": we have elected you an honorary member and lament your short stay in Dublin.
clletter torn
4. Copy of XVI:3
5. Ross [probably Ross, Sir John Lockhart Ross, 6th baronet, 1721-1790]
20 Aug 1785 To Vis. Townshend
Recommending Mr Arthur Henry Irwine for a commission in your Regiment.
6. Hay, George [Major] My Lord...comp'ts to Lady Townshend
29 July 1790, Inveresk
Yesterday sent Rutabago seed to Courtnay in London: praises, cultivation, price. Glad you're better, come and visit, country news: game, rain, horses, elections.

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7. Cox, Richard. Marquis Townshend
29 July 1790, Craig's Court
Our business continues under name Cox and Greenwool
8. Mason, W My Dr Lord...comp'ts to Marchioness
21 April 1799, Weasenham cS of Raynham Park
I have been packing. From your letter I hope we'll defeat our enemies in Germany and Italy: their power founded only on army victories, the citizens will revolt. The Troop; your business in Cambridgeshire.
9. Agar, W My Dear Lord
31 Jan 1800, Custom House
Your recommendation of Mr Carr for Blofield's position has slipt the attention of the Treasury; please write Mr Rose. I hope that your Lordship & Lady Townshend are perfectly recovered.
10. Browne, John My Lady
14 Sept , Preston, Spithead
I am coming home in the Preston; Admiral Parry; thank you. I hope Lord Townshend and the Family are well.

Folder XVII: Letters from Major S. Stanton to Townshend 1767-1771. Stanton appears to be a personal friend and an aide-de-camp writing Parliamentary news from London. Includes one letter to Stanton from Drummond.

1. rdocketed 18 July 1767
Leaving country via Portsmouth with regret; appreciate it if you could send poor Susan some game (Mrs Stanton at Mrs James's, Prince's St., St. Ann's)
ccf. I:3
2. rdocketed 1768: 6 March, Mount Coffee House
Duke of Gloucester presents his compliments.
"What I mention'd in my last relative to the B f ds is most Certainly true. they push'd hard for Ld S h, but the D G who hates them worse than any Set of People whatever, from that encroaching disposition of theirs etc. will not let them get the better, a Friend of your Lordp's, desir'd me yesterday to acquaint you of this... It's said...that Lord Chatham will unite with ye D. G^{ts}, et les Bedfords s'en irri?nt. upon their being refus'd for Ld S h they took Pet, and not one of them went to the House, on the day of the affair Nullum Tempus which has incens'd ye D G exceedingly. The Rockingham's & Grenvilles are united...poor Sir W. B. Proctor...has been most monstrously frightened."
Today address from Essex, deploring increase of faction.
Including silk for Lady Blaney in case of stockings I sent you.
3. 20 Dec 1768, London
May I have further leave of absence to go to Bath to recruit my health? Sir George Macartney will bring you London news; Pryse Campbell, Dyson, Lady Sarah Bunbury.
rdocketed: leave given as long as his health requires it
4. 28 Jan 1769, Mount Coffee House
Thanks for leave, congratulations on birth of son.
Prince de Masserano's message concerning horse near Gibraltar. Duke of Gloucester & brother Cumberland want Irish Statutes and Commons Journals. Lord Cornwallis to be your Vice Treasurer, succeeded by Lord Waldegrave. House and Wilkes. American affair in Lords. The de Visi's have been very kind. Lady T and the Mr Ts are well. Lady Greenwich wishes to sell her share in the grant of lands.

5. 18 Sept [17]70, Paris
Condolences on death of Lady Townshend.
 6. 1 June [17] 71, Dublin Castle
Sorry you couldn't employ me; yes, I would like a £500 pension.
 7. Drummond, Henry To Major Stanton
docketed 17 Nov 1768, Craig's Court
Selling Lord Townshend's house: Lord Barrymore? Lord MountStewart?
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Folder XVIII: Letters from Rev. Sidney Swinney, author of The Battle of Minden, a Poem, to Townshend. 1768-1770. Old school-fellow: extravagantly jocular letters.

1. 22 Oct 1768, Mill-Hill near Hampstead
First book of my poem coming out next February; would like you to do caricatures for it--Strange & Grignon will execute the engravings. I am very poor.
18 ll of poem included [differs from published edition.]
2. 20 Feb 1769, The Marquiss of Granbys Knightsbridge
Sorry I offended you; really wanted your son to do the caricatures. Schoolboy reminiscences. "It was always the ambition of your Brother Campaigner (my late Father) to have his Son Sidney in the "Suite" of a Lord Lieutenant of Ireland."
3. 14 Mar 1770, A Mons. M. Swinney, Gent: Ang: a Montauban.
"As I am printing off the last Sheets of my Poem--on the Battle of Minden--I beg permission to ask Your Excellency whether You will have any Objection to my celebrating a gallant action, of yours, which has hitherto been maliciously suppress'd" Would you peruse the first book and "point out the Material faults, in order that they may be amended, in the 3rd Edition"
"Copy--Original sent 3 posts before."

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Folder XIX. Letters from Thomas de Grey ~~probably Walsingham, Thomas de Grey, 2d baron, 1748-1818, whose seat was Merton House, Thetford, Norfolk, and who succeeded in 1781~~ to My Lord [probably Townshend]. Parliamentary news, 1769.
MP for Norfolk 1764; 1768. See Playfair II: 227: f.

1. 7 Jan [docketed 1769], Merton
I've had an operation and may not be able to attend Parliament "to pay a proper compliment to Wilkes and Liberty on the 27th." The question of the Militia will come up after adjournment; what are your instructions?
 2. 22 Mar [docketed 1769], Spring Garden
Pay of Militia for year 69 voted; passage of perpetual Militia bill:resignations. County will probably not agree: "according to Sir William Haerb?ord's judicious Speech represent me as an improper person to represent the County because I wore a red Coat, and their Liberties were not safe in such Hands as mine"
"I know not how this want of Officers will be supplyd..."
 3. Wed. night near 10 o'clock [22 Mar 1769?]
Tabulation of voting on perpetual Militia bill.
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Folder XX: Letters from Col. E. Smith to My Dear Lord. (apparently T). 1771.

1. 6th Sat [docketed 6 Apr 1771]
Exchange of Capt Timperly involves Gen Lambton, Lord Barrington, Col Bourgoine, West Indies. No news: "we seem waiting for some thing extraordinary"

2. 14 April 1771

Lord Gore is too alarmed about the temper of the people; Lord North's resignation. I agree with you about the manner all these disturbances here should be treated. Irish defence: naturally Ireland must bear the expense, but the present state of the Revenue is not sufficient...the cunning of your Parliament.
Col. Roy, Lord George Germaine.
Our East India affairs don't go on as smoothly as was expected.
Saw Lord Ferrers and Jack at the Masquerade.

3. 15 April Mon [1771?]

King has slighted Ministry by appointing his own governors of the Prince of Wales, and giving Walpole's commission to Lyon not to Burgoine-Halifax. North, Bedfords, Gránvilles, Ld George Germaine, Rockinghams. Just as well the King didn't know you meant to recommend me for that Colonelcy of cavalry. Lt Col Bourgoine does not please the world.

4. 8th [June 1771?] Sat

Progress of Lord George Lennox' trouble with Mostyn; Gallatin's Lt-Colonelcy and me...Bourgoine, North, Ancrum. Lord Ferrers is well.

5. 23 June 1771

2 sheets

Sorry that my last was unintelligible and dateless: it was because it was about military preferments and me. Preferments: me, Burgoine, Walpole succession, Lord North, Gen Pitt, Burton succession, Ancrum succession, Gallatin, Lady Frances Burgoine, Gen Harvey, Johnston, Tucker, Lord Barrington. I hoped you would back me but you didn't. At least let me take my chance with the Major & Lt Col Burgoine.

6. 28 [June] 1771, Friday

1 1/2 sheets

Lord North withdrew his sponsorship of Lt Col Bourgoine for Lord Ancrum's succession in favor of me; but today Lady Frances Burgoine insists he hold to it because it is now cheaper (Gallatin asks ca. £4300). I am justified; but Lady Francis is to be indulged because she is a woman. If both Burton's & Ancrum's posts were open he'd give me Ancrum's...

[Note by docketer: Townshend. Hyde. 2 Jeppsons. St. Leger. Allworth. Wood.

Colthurst. Dennis--Denshire. Lysaght. Longfield. Fawkenor. Lysaght. Adderley

AD Folder--XXI: Letters addressed to My Lord with no other evidence that they were meant for Townshend. 1769; 1778-1800.

1. Shafto, Jen:

22 June 1769, Pall Mall

Debruyere

All I can tell you about Mr [redacted] is that he is abroad with Mr Pelham; address Miss Gandolfi's, Leghorn.

2. Barker, John

28 Feb 1778, Lowestoffe

Clothing of the 1st Battalion of Norfolk Reg. while it was under my command; I believe Mowatt unjustly dismissed for incapacity.

3. Campbell, John

20 April 1784, Edinburgh Castle

Can you have the 9th Reg. ordered for the East Indies? If you interest Mr Dundass & your other friends for me in this business, I have no doubt of succeeding in getting to India, the country of all others in which I most wish to be employed.

4. Oranz, William

8 Oct 1784

Proposed reforms in Indian (?) Revenue Service; suggests post of Mazmadar and himself for the post.

5. Nepean, Sir Evan, 1751-1822.

Tuesday, Admiralty

"I shall be at the Secretary of State's Office between one and two and will call at the Office for Trade; perhaps your Lordship will be able to see me there."
[Sydney was President of the Board of Trade, Mar 1784-Aug 1786; Ferrars was named a member of the committee of the privy council which managed colonial commerce until the constitution of the board of trade on 5 Mar 1784 (DNB); Nepean was under secretary of state 1782; on committee of privy seal 1784; 1795-1804 Secretary of Admiralty, 1804-1806 Lord Commissioner of Admiralty (DNB).]

6. Hewetson, Capt. Robert

21 Aug 1785, Blandford

Sergeant King is returned from Ireland; arrangements for his to buy Quarter-Master's Warrant.

7. Lewis, Matthew, deputy secretary-at-war, d. 1812? see DNB

12 Oct 1787, War Office

I sympathize with Lt. Stewart (of the late 100th Reg) whom you recommend.
"The Letter, of which a copy is annexed to the Memorial, as coming from me, was a forgery, as impudent as it was cruel--if your Lordship cast your eye over it, you must have thought that I was not likely to have required a crippled Officer to travel six Hundred Miles to solicit Promotion; and if I had, you wd. at least give me credit for doing it in a better style--" "I hope my Friend Nepean mentioned my having been twice at the Office to thank your Lordship for your goodness about [subsequent words lined out]."

8. Vernon, Gen

1 Mar 1791, Corke St

Enclosing Lord Leicester's receipt for the plans. Sorry for delay.

9. Howdell, Richard(Lt.)

23 Mar 1791, Wells, Somerset.

I am in trouble over my health and lack of money. It is unfair to stop 3/6 a day from the pay of the junior Captain to make up a retired Capt's "full pay"

10. [Massman?]

26 Feb 1799, Downing

It has been found useless (under Mr Lewis' advice) to put a clause against "crimping" into the Mutiny Bill.

11. Burlton, Lt. Charles

27 Aug 1799, Brig Hecate Mounts Bay

Lord Spencer has forgotten his promise to advance me; may you not.

12. Williams, Watkin

27 Feb 1800, Bath

Sorry to again solicit promotion of Lt Robt Evans (now in East Indies) but his friends press me; backed by Marquis of Wellesley.

Note: recommended 30 May 1798; we can't send out commission.

13. Nevill

My Lord Marquis

26 [docketed May] 1800, House Commons

Parliamentary news: Union Bill; Grafton attacked Castlereagh

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10. Inglis, Hugh Gen. Ross
 7 Sep 1799, East India House
 Company will be obliged to the Ordnance if they will supply the Pieces mentioned in your and Col Blomefield's letters; our ships won't leave England for 2 or 3 months.

 11. Garth, George Maj Gen Ross, Chelmsford
 7 Sept 1799, Norwich
 I have assumed command of Eastern District, and require your regimental report.

 12. Garth, George Maj Gen Ross, Chelmsford
 30 Sept 1799, Norwich
 Thanks for report. Jealousy between the English and AngloRussians; discusses recent battle.
 Sealed; stamped Norwich.
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 13. Manningham, Coote (Col) Maj Gen Ross
 27 Mar 1800, 99 Park St.
 Rifle Corps in want of arms: has 150 Prussian Rifles, needs 350 new ones, and ammunition.

 14. Manningham, Coote Sir
 4 Apr 1800
 The Rifle is too heavy for service (12 1/2 lbs); should be 9 1/2 (20 balls/lb) or (if my ideas of a rifle Corps are adopted) 24 balls/lb, because lightness for rough marching essential... Baker is making a rifle of the Carabine Bore; bayonet;...

 15. Manningham, Coote Maj Gen Ross
 26 May 1800, Caesar's Camp
 Wilke's Rifle appears extremely good, we are trying it; ammo (20 balls/lb) for Rifle Corps

 16. Manningham, Coote (Col. Rifle Corps) Maj Gen Ross
 9 May 1801, Blotchington B'ks, Seaford, Sussex
 Please approve purchase of 850 powderhorns from Mr Baker for Rifle Corps.

 17. Bebb, John Gen Ross
 16 dec 1802, 4 Stratford Place
 Please support me in my candidacy for a seat on the board of [India Co.]

 18. Duning, John Gen A. Ross 2 sheets
 25 Feb 1805, Bombay
 News of Indian war; Admiral Pellew inclined to quarrel with us; the order for buying country ships has leaked out; bribery in the India service--my report not upheld by Directors--please justify me if necessary, especially to Cornwallis; Sending you Sherry, share it with Lord Melville; Indian Revenue; Mr Mason a fine fel

 19. Bootle, Wilbraham Gen Ross, Malvern Wells, Worc.
 1 July 1812, [Secret Committee Room?]
 Enclosing letter from Gen. Dixon; family with whooping cough at Worthing, then Lancashire. Manufacturing Counties: "Some vigorous measures are necessary, & I have great hopes that the spirit of rebellion will in time be got rid of."
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Folder XXIII: Sydney, covering period 1784-1802 and unknown.

Sydney, Thomas Townshend, 1st Viscount, 1733-1800, son of Thomas T. 1701-1780 who was son of Charles T., 2nd viscount T (George's grandfather).
MP for Whitchurch, Hampshire, 1754-1783
whig...lord of treasury under Rockingham, Grafton
1767 joint-paymaster of forces, privy council
June 1768 resigned rather than be vice-treasurer of Ireland
Feb 1769 for Wilkes Persistent opposition
Mar 1782 secretary at war under Rockingham (10 July 1782-2 Apr 1783 Home Sec.)
1782 home office, leader of Commons
Mar 1783 Baron Sydney of Chislehurst [Kent]
for Pitt's bill vs abuses in public offices
Dec 1783 Sec of state in home dept. (Australian convict colony founded 1788)
June 1789 retired as secretary: viscount
His son: Sydney, John Thomas T., 2nd Viscount, 1764-1831
1783-1789 under sec of state for home dept
1789-1793 lord of admiralty
1793-1800 lord of treasury
Yonge, Sir George, bart., 1731-1812.
1754-1796 MP for Honiton Bart 1755.
1766-1770 lord of admiralty
Apr-July 1782 vice-treasurer for Ireland
July 1782-Apr 1783, Dec 1783-July 1794 secretary of war
1794-Feb 1799 master of mint
Feb 1799-1801 blundering governor of Cape of Good Hope

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1. Duncombe, H My Lord [Sidney?]
5 Jan [1784], Copgrove
John Brown convicted 1782, sentenced to be sent to Africa; you, as Sec. of State, pardoned him 16 Dec 1782 "on condition of his serving in the Army or Navy"; but the pardon missed him, and he was transported. Free pardon?
[cf. Folder XVI:10 ?]
2. Pitt, William [docketed Morton] My dear Lord 1 sheet and 1 note
7 July 1786, Poole [a Minister]
Mathew Mauger, one of my constituents, an invalid Lt., wishes a Fort of 10/- a day; his uncle Joshua, your old ally, thinks his past services are not forgotten by Lord Sydney; shall write to Mr. Pitt.
Note: I hope to receive such a letter as may one way or another quiet the applicant.
3. "Signed Sydney" John Freeman, Esqu, Chute Lodge, Andover, Hai
21 June 1787, Whitehall
Mr Pitt is not appointing any baronets. "Your Rank & property entitle you very fairly to such a Mark of distinction. I wish therefore that you had not added any other consideration. It is a subject upon which I can not talk with you, as in the least connected with this."
[Draft?]
4. Barry, Lt Col J Viscount Sydney
22 Nov 1789, Donnington Park
I enclose copy of XXIII:6 and XXIII:7; please forward 7 to Yonge if you think fit.
5. [Barry, Lt Col] [Copy?] Sir George Yonge
Oct 1789, James St. Terrace
I require an answer according to your promise.
6. Yonge, George [Copy by Barry] Major Barry
20 Nov 1789, War Office
I will forward your appeal to the King if you insist.

- 7. Barry, J. Sir George Yonge
 22 Nov 1789, Donnington Park
 You passed me over for Lt-Colonelcy of 34th Reg contrary to promise; nevertheless, withdraw my memorial to the King if it distresses you.

- 8. Barry, Lt. Col. J. My Lord [Sydney]
 21 Dec 1789, Litchfield
 Thank you for your judgement on the Yonge matter; I have decided not to press it.

- 9. Lady Burgoyne Lord Sydney
 undated [1783-1785?], Gt Cumberland St
 Enclosing memo of Gen Stuart's rank which proves "that Gen'l Stuart certainly is as much a Kings Officer, as Sir John Burgoyne."

- 10. Tusten [?], W Viscount Sydney
 17 Aug 1802, Fludyer St.
 I am sending a letter to Lord Hobart (failing Lord Romney) requesting the allowance of [£]60 a year to the Serjeant of your troop of Yeomanry, "notwithstanding the Numbers do not amount to Forty Rank & File, and I flatter myself that to retain the Services of so respectable a Troop Government will readily comply with his Lordships' request."

- 11. Skene, Maj. Gen. Phil Sir George Yonge
 5 Oct [17]87, 9 Duke St, Portland Place
 Because of an Ahstmatic Complaint I must travel; may I therefore sell my Lt Colonelcy?

- 12. DelaPole, John [Sir] Sir George Yonge
 19 Apr 1791, Royal Hotel
 Thanks for placing young John Piper in the military line: when does he leave England?

- 13. Elphinstone, [John, 11th lord, 1737-94] My dear Sir
 26 Oct [1782-1794], Cumbernauld House by Falkirk
 I recommended William Stewart for an Ensigncy to Sir George Young; please remind Sir George; the Secretary of War must admit I have not been very troublesome except where my son was concerned.



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Folders XXIV-XXX are miscellaneous letters 1711-1849 (and undated) arranged chronologically.

Folder XXIV: Misc 1711-1766

1. Swanton, William Honoured Sir clater pencil note: Sir Peter King
17 Aprill 1711, Sarum
Enclosing a case for your opinion.
Peter King, 1st Lord King, Baron of Ockham in Surrey. MP 1701- (whig)
1708 Knighted. 1714 C. Justice of common pleas. 1715 Privy council.
1725 Speaker of House of Lords. 28 May a peer; 1 June Chancellor, resigned
C. J'ship. 1733 19 Nov stroke & resigned. 1734 22 July died.
4 sons (John, Peter, Wm, Thomas) each succeeded. grandson Peter 6th baron d. 1793.
Peter 7th baron 1776-1833 . later Wentworth-Lovelace connections
2. Arran Mr Dowdwell
24 Nov 1713
Expiration of lease I had of you for this house; enclose rent; Mr Vernon.
If it is Arran, it should be Charles Butler, in the peerage of Ireland from 1693
Baron Cloghrenan, Viscount Tullough and Earl of Arran, and in the peerage of
England Baron Butler of Weston, d.s.p. 1759. Connected with later Ferrers-
Cornwallis, Townshends.
2A. Rushout (Sir John, 1684-1775) My Lord clater pencil note: To Lord Chancellor King
31 May 1725? Commissioner of Bankrupts. My Lord clater pencil note: To Lord
3. Bettesworth, John Chancellor King
15 July 1730
Legal advice: marriage of minor Executrix (quotes 1702 case)
4. Jones, John My Lord clater pencil note: To Lord Chancellor King
19 Oct 1733, Langford
Your health; my annual petition; Lord Hinton "stood Right wth me because I Judg'd
he Stood Right with the Government...The Common Cry runs like a Torrent against
him;" your interest in the elections is mine; you may Depend on the most profound
Privacy.
5. Herbert, docketed H.A. My Lord
Tuesday docketed 1741, George St.
Have finally gotten someone for Sheriff of Shropshire, as you see by enclosure;
can you get excused the last person on the list for Warwickshire?
6. Dickins, Ambr docketed Mr Serjt To The Master & the rest of Gentlemen at the Hall
11 Mar 1742
Send a letter like the following to the Navy Office:
We thought it wrong to charge the Company with anything dropt in conversation,
so we did not mention the private communication between Mr Dickins and Mr
Gordon; but Mr Dickins answers by the inclosed.
Docketed in secretary hands
7. Wade, Ed My Lord
20 Apr 1745, Abchurch Lane
Hope to get you a buyer for the Baldwin Street Estate.
8. Legge, Henry Brilson 1708-1764 Henry earl of Lincoln
Chancellor of the exchequer
31 Jan 1755, Treasury Chambers, Whitehall
Document: Pay James West (jt. sec. of treasury?) £10,000 for his Majesty's
Secret Service without Account.
entry in sale catalog pasted on dorse
9. Preston, Robert (Maj. 24th Foot) My Lord
21 Feb 1760, Chelmsford
I shall take the Reg't out of Chelmsford during the Assizes.

10. Wogan [?], John My Dear Sir
12 Oct 1762, Neider Klein
I prefer a Majority to a Troop "they don't rise very quick in the heavy Dragoons" ...it wouldn't be approved of by our friend the Noble Marquis, who is very tenacious of his own recommendations taking place, and makes it a rule, never to recommend out of the Corps"....Love to your brother. Havanna has just been taken. My Love & Duty to the Earl of Cornwallis who I hope you have received safe.

11. Reynolds, Capt. Law Dear Sir
3 Jan 1763, Guanavacoa
I never received any arrears since Mr Bansford has been paymaster (June 1760); please pay to George Reynolds. Col. Phylipps unhappy Fate.

12. Beauclerck, G [pencil note: Gen. George] Sir [Adair?]
July 1766, [?]ckingham
Please forward Lady George Lennox's snuff-box and my parcel of franks to me "Put in a deal box and Send it by the Ockingham Fly which sets out every day about Noon from the New White horse Cellar."

Folder XXV: Misc 1767-1777

1. Cecil, T To Doctor Hoofft & son Chateau
6 Spt 1768, Guesage
Bring over greyhounds.
[Sealed]
2. S. S. (of Bath?) Miss Grant, Nottingham
Aug 1769, Whitemoor
Alas we were detained in Weymouth by business, their Graces, and weather, so our joint foreign expedition must be postponed till next year: Paris, etc, for 6 weeks or 2:mes. Miss Chapman; Susey at the Ball. Come to Whitemoor; tho' Mrs Mason is no more, you have other friends to accompany you.
3. Higginson, William Mr Doherty Gormton?
12 Feb 177[0?], Lisburn
I resign the place of Usher in Court of Exchequer in Ireland to you.
4. Ritchie, Capt. John [copy]
[undated; after 1771]
Recommend wateringplace in Bengal Bay for E. Indiamen; enclose XXV:5.
5. Ritchie, Capt John [copy]
Extract from Log dated 4 Jan 1771.
Description of Preparis Island [N of Andamans, S. Of Burma]
6. Richmond, William [a servant] Hon'd Sir...duty to Yourself, My Lady, and Master Wright. At Paris.
10 June 1773, London
Trouble with getting to see Lord Northington, who dislikes house [at Wray?] and will probably leave at midsummer; you had better settle the rent with him personally. Molly the laundry Maid.
7. Rochfort, George Arnold Nesbit
18 Sept 1774, Rochefort near Mullengar
I am appealing to the House of Lords in the suit between me and Lord Ely; I need £200 bond; will you put it up again? Mr Hamersley will call.

8. Garrow, David (Rev.) Sir...Comp'ts to Mrs Southouse
 28 Sept 1775, Hadley
 My son has been applying pretty closely to Engrossing; under your tuition he may turn out useful.
9. Cowper, John Henry Doughty, Esq.
 21 Apr 1777, Grevile St, Hatton Gardens
 Letter about lease of 2 houses in Holbourne near Warwick Court: Miss Morris, an Apothecary, Joseph Ragland.

Folder XXVI: Misc: 1778-1800

1. Gordon, Cosmo Dear Sir
 30 May 1778, Cluny by Aberdeen
 Please renew the protections of the enclosed fishers; I am not liable for treasury dues.
2. ~~Admiral Lord Boscawen~~ Sir
 Grove, G. H.
 2 Mar 1780, Whitchurch
 Family troubles have kept me here not attending to your business. "As to the Innkeepers Petition, I know they are burthened much more than the neighboring Towns. but I have lately been a little in discredit with our Innkeepers on acc't of my Billetting some Soldiers." I didn't sign King's Petition because I found a misrepresentation of Lord Barrington's letter to you in it: that Barrington "had removed some soldiers & gave the Innkeepers assurance they should have no more"...."he said Mr Smith had promised him he would get his son in law Mr Charles Townshend to present it."
3. Templetown Sir
 21 Feb 1781, Castle Upton
 I have told Mr Upton the conditions on which his son Henry Upton can leave Gibraltar; dishonorable for us to apply while Gibraltar under blockade; only answer that he raise a Company (if he can as an Irishman); ask his uncle (Sec to Privy Council). If any hopes, I will ask the Ld Lt.
4. A Friend to Truth Sir
 23 Feb 1781, [Plymouth]
 At Plymouth, the price paid for lands purchased for Fortifications was not settled by a jury.
5. Proposals of Earl Stanhope about the Militia 1786
 cdocketed: L'd Mahon's Ideas upon ye new Militia Bill St Alban's Terrace June 6 1786
6. Christie, John Sir [Ross??]
 21 Dec 1786, Baberton
 Please write ~~in favor~~ to Lord Cornwallis in favor of my nephew Peter Ewart, who wishes to return to Bengal where he is an assistant surgeon to that establishment.
7. Stenhouse, A Chalmers, George, Whitehall
 4 Feb 1788
 Sketches of David Hume; George Urquhart can tell you about Lord Kaims and the Laws of Lawriston; Hume had 140 a year as Librarian; his gift to Blacklock; shall give Mr Scott a copy.
8. Musgrave, Thomas
 Extract from a Letter dated 15 Sept 1791, Madras
 News of Indian war: Tippoo...Cornwallis...peace and plenty reign

9. Strachey, John Madam Curzon St
 1 Feb 1796, Crown St Westminster
 Here are 2 drafts of an epitaph on Christopher D'Oyly, 1716-1795.
10. Greville, C F Dear Sir
 5 Apr 1796, Kings Mews
 Returned plans to Lord Cornwallis; recommend Mr Stokes as an expert on the Indian Sea for Capt Hunt; congratulations on unknown female's betrothal.
11. Admiralty memo
 10 April 1797
 "The Date of the last Returns from the Fame & whether Andrew Hunter a Seaman belonging to that Ship was then living or dead?"
 G. King answers: Le Puissant late Fame Andrew Hunter living 31 Jan 1797.
12. Grant, Charles The Vicomte de Vaux, Little Charles St,
Fitzroy Sq.
 26 Sept 1798, India House
 Sorry, but the Company declined your proposal on raising foreign soldiers.
 Your work on Mauritius.
13. Lines on the Death of Capt Bassan, buried 1799.
 "Say why this needless Pomp! Oh can his Ear...."

Folder XXVII: Misc 1801-1807

1. Martyr, J. T.G. Knapp
 23 Oct 1801, Greenwich
 Legal matters: Mr Kirke (d. 1760) survived co-trustee Dr Strahan (d. 1748)
 Verso: draft reply from Knapp with Mortgage details; Horner; Thompson.
2. Shee, George My dear Sir [Govt depts]
 3 Feb 1802, Whitehall
 Enclosed a letter on Roads between Military Ports in Ireland. Lord Pelham wants you to know it won't be at Dept's expense.
 [Dirt-marks on back resemble those on Ross's letters.]
3. Myers Wilkinson
 8 July 1802, Norwich
 Mr Robinson and myself were elected yesterday as MPs
4. Perceval, E Sir
 23 Dec 1802, Stroxtton Hall, near Grantham [Lincolnshire]
 My property in Lancashire: asked £500 a year for the mill in the gloomy market of July last and almost got it, except for a question whether enough water for Calico Printing. Now market prosperous: fired my agent and advertised in Manchester paper for "a Man who has a knowledge of springs and the proper method of conducting them by Soughs where they may be useful for Bleaching, Printing & Dying--also how to... [find] Coal from the bearings of other Mines...[and] how to allot Farms." Will you represent me in the sale of my Estates?
5. Copland, J Sir
 31 Dec 1803, Westminster
 Compliments of the season; verses on his poverty.
6. Amyatt, James (an MP) Sir
 12 Jan 1804, Southampton
 Would you give the enclosed Memorial from Smith to Lord Chatham? I do not know the Master General of the Ordnance; there is friendship between you & my son in law Sir John Kinnaway.

Folder XXVIII: misc 1808-1813

1. Selby, William Dear Sir (Baker St.)
24 Jan 1809, London
Welcome back from Jamaica! what happened since I left concerning Truxton's sentence and the wrecked schooner--I'm worrying about our profit. I'm about to take command of a new frigate: Owen Glendour.
2. De Lacy, Thomas, archdeacon of Meath Sir
12 April [docketed 1810], Archdeaconry, Rolls
Enclose a draft for £58 for the carpeting.
3. Tilson, C. (Maj. Gen.) Major Dickson
4 Aug 1811, Dover
Middlesex & Miners fetching Canteens & Haversacks from Canterbury; will deliver 53 unserviceable canteens to you.
[docketed 10]
4. Tilson, C. Lt. Col. Dickson
18 Aug 1811, Dover
Requesting routes: one for baggage of Lancashire from Heights to Castle; other for Nonvolunteers of West Middlesex to Uxbridge Depot.
[docketed 14]
5. Tilson, C. Dear Col.
20 Aug 1811, Dover
Enclose return of W. Middlesex left here at the departure of the Regt. One Waggon load of Baggage.
[docketed 15]
6. Tilson, C A. A. General
6 Sept 1811, Dover
What are wishes of Lt Gen Nicolls on a) leave for Lt. of 2nd Somerset Militia; b) imprisoned man of 11th Veteran Battalion & sick man of Carnarvon, both left behind after regiments sailed?
[docketed 21]
7. Tilson, C. Lt Col Dickson
6 Sept 1811, Dover
Request route for relieving Bucks Militia at St Margarets Bay by a detachment of the 3rd Lancashire.
[docketed 22]
8. Vincent, Ann Sir...best regards to Mrs Ashwell
25 Sept 1810, London (10 Thornhaugh St Bedford Sq)
Money affairs of semi-literate widow
9. Arshwell?, Thomas? Dear Madam
17 (?) Dec 1812, Newark
Happy to advise you; recommending no change till he's investigated; thanks for Christmas oysters.
[Draft]
10. Vincent, Ann Thomas Ashwell, Newark, Nottinghamshire
10 Mar 1813, London
Asking opinion about re-marriage: "is Person I Surpose you haue a knowlige on but that as nothing to doo with amans goodness..." [scaled; maid learning...]
[Draft reply on same letters]
Ashwell, Thomas Dear Madam
14 Mar 1813, Newark.
Give it up

Folder XXIX: Misc 1814-1849

1. Addison, Sarah Mr Collins
20 Feb 1819, Chilton Hall
Documents relating to sale of Bluntisham have been mislaid; not among Mr Addison's father's papers at Sudbury.
2. Dysart ?? My dear Sir
1 Nov 1820, Westhumble ?
I relinquish my privileges to Mr Leg; thanks for help.
3. unsigned 1st sheet of letters Dear Mrs Peacopp
undated; 1820?
"Gossipy old maid's letters..." "Mrs Fowler drank tea with me yesterday I entertained her with giving her the Queens trial to read for I join at a penny week with Mr Crosbys & Brothertons..."
4. Macleod, John (of ?Colbean?) Viscount Sidmouth
24 Feb 1821, 10 Bury St, St James
Recommending Samuel Peake (a Quaker) to be an officer in the Bow St. Magistracy Office.
5. Best, R Rev. Mr Cotton
31 Dec 1824, Bank of England
No.
6. Harris, John Thomas Metcalfe
9 July 1827, Elotham near Hartford Bridges Hants.
Can't include Carriage Road for Timber through Mr Jones' premises in Lord Howe's plan for letting lands to Building Tenants.
7. Stutney, Sara Samuel Simpson, Lancaster
16 July (pencil note 1830), Ridgmont
Dear friend--opinion of your poetry--Wordsworth--
sealed in black wax: rectangle Che sera sera
8. Gulston, W. E. M. [??] W. Harrington, Commoners, Winchester
[watermark may read 1828 or 1838]
Sporty letter (from schoolboy?)
9. Macleod, A Sir John Ross
10 May 1836, Belfast.
Introducing Mr Henry Gardner "scientific, learned and professional."
"I recollected the pleasure you took in the conversation of Mr Ramadge of Aberdeen after I had the satisfaction of travelling from London to Aberdeen by Steam in 1826 in your company." "Congratulations on returning from perils."
10. Siddons, Capt H F My dear Mr Thompson
[docketed Sept 1849], 66 Upper Berkeley St, Portman Sq
Plate silver from Madras--customs regulations make it adviseable to have pieces "battered and given up"; please get them from Customs.

Folder XXX: Misc: undated

1. almer [Not Roger Palmer's hand] Bear Sir
Dec [torn], Fairfield
Thanks: Mr Millners death, Mrs Luttrell. Robt Mansell and Mr Lane candidates at Minehead "my Neighbourns that have Votes they at present fill my house, and my Ears"
Added in another hand: "to Shine in velvet & to Eat on Plate
_____ forsakes his freind & Sells y^e State"
2. Reasons for inserting clause in Militia Bill that an Officer may be promoted without t the presently required Estate.
3. Ba g (Lord? has faint resemblance to Barrington, Brougham, Bangor) Dear Sir
27 [sep?], Tuesday, Castle Hill Southwath
Glad that Mr Irvine accepts North Molton: if he would come over some day to Latham(?) "& dine & take a bed" we could talk it over; recommends Mr Blackmore as a curate for Mr Irvine. Lady B(?)'s compliments to Mrs (Ross?).
[dirt-marks on verso resemble Ross dirt-marks].
4. Henley, Lady Elizabeth (Henley) Eden, m. 1783, d. 1821
and
Henley, Morton Eden, baron Henley, created 1799, d. 1830
To: Wentworth, Lady Mary (Henley) Noel, m. 1788;
(Thomas Noel, visc Wentworth, d. 1815)
1 Nov [1807-1815]
Bread-and-butter letter to sister: Sandwiches, trip Kirkby-Newport Pagnell-town; town news. Henley adds: "...We admired your House and Place and still more that Philanthropy & Benevolence which everything around you evinces"; food at Newport Pagnell; Woburn; unwelcome visit of French King; flaw in Lord Townsend's Will: "His Widow is deprived of an Estate purchased near L(eans?)worth" and Weymouth St furniture--her jointure--may retain situation with Princess of Wales.
5. Wemyss, James S. H. [Cocker ?]
22 Aug, Wemyss Castle
I don't think Mr Coghlan should receive poor Bewick's prize money; I send this to my father at Cheltenham so you need not pay postage; Lord Exmouth.
[since it mentioned Lord Exmouth, after 1796 and probably before 1833;
therefore could be James Erskine Wemyss of Wemyss Castle (1789-1854) before 1822,
or James Hay Erskine Wemyss (1829-1864) before 1854; if not for Exmouth could be James Wemyss , d. 1786--see Burke sub Wemyss)
6. Buller, J John Edward Buller, Jr
Aug , Customs 4 Little Abingdon St, Westminster
Enclosure from your father; vacancy will be open until we have all had time to consider whether it is worth your acceptance or not.
[Seal: The commissioners of the customs of England. Fine condition.]
7. P t, Charles Dear Sanderson
19 July at sea
General dissatisfaction with prize money for Star, Magdalen
8. Keddle, Samuel Shering Hon'd. Madam [Nottingham?]
undated
I shall be a lawyer
[Child's careful writings]
9. Grose, Onslow, d. 1799 (son of the antiquary Francis Grose)
Anecdote about Capt Grose who fell at Seringapatam.
10. General Dilkes on the Subject of the Mattrass
Account of the Court-Martial of a mattrass. [see VI:1]

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11. Bentinck, Willem (Graaf, Heer von Rhonenz), 1704-1774
Biographical account in Dutch.
 12. Ducis Buckinghamensis epitaphium.
Pro Rege saepe, pro republica semper...
[draft?]
[May be John Sheffield, Duke of Buckingham, 1648-1721.]
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