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This

For S^r John Talbot at his house in Chappel street near Westminster

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Leitchfield the 25th of Septemb. [16]71

Dear son, 10 days since, I writt to my brother Gill, to know, what he had done with my Pition, for dead me becaus I forgott to ask him, when he was at Salwarp becaus he writt to me when he went into the North That he had left it with my Lord Arlington, And that my Lord had promised to do me all favour. Thus much, I writt to you the 18 of this Month That I did fear, my brother was not gone up. That I should be at Amnington, the last week as I have been And desir'd you, in his absence to get my Lord Arlington to lett my Lord Ashlie know, That the King had granted more trees out of the Forrest of Sherrwood, Therefore, do procure my Lords Order. To Tom Corbyn the Surveyor Generall, to mark and deliver the trees to me, Or if it could not be done soon to lett me heur upon satterday last or this morning by the Postheather, what was like to be done in my business and [torn] And in expectation of your answer I have been here both dayes but not mett with a word from you Although upon satterday, I saw one letter from you my daughter R.....and another to my brother: This is therefore to lett you know, I take not with your slighting of me in this; And calling to mynd, That I have not had soo much as thanks for my trouble of removing from here (expecting your companie at Laycock by promis) Nor for all the monies which I have layd out at Laycock, And considering, That you resolve to continue at Court And (I fear) to breed your son to goe the same way, I shall not long live a Baylyff. But will pay my Rent for Michelmas, and Ladie day, And then remove, to some place, when I may have more comfort and less truble So praying God to bless you and your rest

Your affec^t. Father.

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The 20 of Novemb [16]71

Deare sonne, after I had sent away my last by the post, Georg Fry came to me, who had been over y^r grounds, and tells me There will be near 14 acres to be sowed in Miltons leas, and the two litle grounds And that he will provide seed for them but adviseth that the hedg that parts the two grounds be stuck upp becaus it covers over half and acre of ground, and is still cutt by the Cottagers: And what Fry sayth y^u may have way to the brook through Miltons leas for what you will give him, Then may Halbort who rents Cosham feild, having water perhapps buy your [raek] and fother his oxen (who hath eight) either in Cosham feild, or Miltons lease to help both grounds, as the wynd shall sitt; when I was at Cotheridg, S^r Rowland towld me he bought his fyne trees in London for 5^d a tree when they were near a yard high and sent them down in boxes with earth about them And now my frames are sett by each syde the Cawsie, if you will get Ned, look into the Nurseries (becaus he will buy cheaper than any servant you have) And if he choos out twentie seven to fitt my frames And will send them carefully by the first waggon, if you will pay for them, see them carefully sett and the frames made so [are] to present them: But they must be verie young, And the frost being gone, it is a myld season for setting them; so praying for you all I rest

Your Affect, father

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When you have sewed [unreadable] grounds wth French [unreadable] I believe son of Sefton[?] will take Cosham Feild and Miltons lease, and some about G[?]astard may take Eldridge and Week grounds, when they [unreadable] proof of it, w^{cr} [torn] nor thought of before:

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The 27 of Novemb. 71

Dear son, I have receiv'd yours of the 25 and return by this post, that (if it could be) the trees might come by satterday next waggon, because the the weather is verie calme, and fitt for planting. Thirtie and fower of the pynes are dead, but if you send any, lett them be veries yonge, and sent wth mould about them: There are not above six firrs dead, my sypros trees must be twentie and seven I long to see them in the ground; my Cousin Montague who was with me yesterday, approves of sowing Miltons lease and the two litle grounds, but would would have them fallowed as soon as may be Therefore you had need write to Fry about it for he will not obey my order; I am glad to hear soe well of my Grandson, And that you are carefull in having him well grounded, for now he must write mee I pray God bless him, with the rest of yours; Powlett hath been at home three weeks but hath not been here yet; although invited with Will Eyres and his wyfe: I beelieve his sister will keep him from marrying (that shee may govern) if she can; so with my blessing to you and your Ladie, I rest

Your affec^t Father

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My daughter Margett was yesterday at Church, and after at Lackham and this day goes to Cosham. by report, I have been dead in Worcestershire, but am yet alive.