

Accounts not transcribed

Had I thought dear sister any Letters would have bin acceptable to you I would have writ to you as well as to the rest of my friends in Ross, but y^r Long silence gave me occation to think they were not, however ~~my~~ my concern was so great for you that I writ to Mrs Leigh to send me word how you did, but did not tell now heare you had gotten a sore breast, w^{ch} I am hartily sorry for, I hope all y^r Little ones are well, mine are now so thank god, and I am oblinded to you for y^r kind wishes for them.

Tis a great misfortune I think to goe to law with any body, but especially with those one desires to continue a friendship with, as I should be glad to doe with you, but I see it is impossible to be done one y^r past, since you continue reflecting on me. And my father, by saying hee advises me to be unjust to you; it is natureall I believe for every body to think there own Cause is Just, and since it is y^r own choice to depend upon the Law for Justice, let that deside the difference, without hard Languadg

I cannot think any friends I have there abouts can be surprised at my being advised by my father, if they have bin informed that my childrens dependence is wholly upon him; that by misfortune they have noe provition made for them, and must have these bread from me, w^{ch} is what I never made my business to speak of, believing these, would be noe occasion to let the world know how unhappy they were left, but I feare it must now be made too publick, nor can they be so ignorant as not to know that it is in my fathers nature to be just, when hee has done what few grandfathers would doe, consent that an estate that is not Liable to debts should pay them before any thing should be laid up for his grandchildren I will have done with this subject, and asure you, that my being with my relations heare shall never make me neglect those I have in Ireland, and I shall be glad to hear some times from you, if w^{ch} will give me an opportunity to tell you I will ever be y^r

Affec^{ate} sister & servant

The Manor of Salwarp, Park & Bullierys belongd

1 at the Conquest to Urso d'Abitot

2 to Beauchamps Earls of Warwick | Puruge of England Fit Shrewsbury

NB. Richard of this Family Born in the Manor House his arms still remaining on some of the buildings

3 To Nevills Earls of Warwick

4 To the Crown, by Attainder 15 Hen 7

To S^r John Talbot of Allbrighton Shropshire conveyed the 37th of Hen. 8th NB Licence from the Crown to Wale to sell y^e same who sold it to S^r J Talbot

1550 John Talbot his son married Oliffe 2d daughter of S^r Hen. Sherrington of Lacock Com. Wilts & Coheiress

1573 Sherrington Talbot of Lacock, His son

1630 S^r John Talbot of Lacock, His son

1714 John Ivory Talbot his grandson by his eldest daughter Ann, married to S^r John Ivory of New Ross in Ireland.

1773 John Talbot his only son

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No 4

This for Sr John Talbott
at his house about ,,
Middle of Lou.. A...
London

Deare S^r John

I received y^{urs}, & as to what y^u say of Mr Morgan, I shall give y^u all, my iudgment in So when I come up to London, w^{ch} I desire may be the 4 of May, as for my going into a Colleg, or any other place, y^e you shall all putt me upon, I shall very willingly condesend into it, y^u shall find y^r I will neuer deny my freind's anything y^t they can propose to me for my advantage, I give y^u thanks for the answee y^u made for me, as to my coming up to Towne, I hope I shall ever have y^r sense of honour, never to promise any more to y^u, or any body els, but what I realy intend to performe, y^u brought me the good news of the hopes, of the conuersion of my unfortunat Mother w^{ch} was the best news y^t came to me this years, & non-y^u have prest a second life into me, by sending me word y^t she is going into a Monastery, & I doe asshure her, when she is there, she shall command me, to come & doe my duty to her, & I shall more readily obey y^r command, then any that ever I received yet, from anyone, pray let my Uncle Suchertt know before he comes out of Towne, what day I desire to come up, may endeavour be put forwards a match for My Sister, as fast as y^u can, & y^u will very much oblige

Y^{ur} affectionate kinds-man
& most fathfull servant
Shrewsbury

No 5

Monsieur

I presume wth all respects to troble y^r Hon^r with these lines, praying the acceptance of a small bottle of Curious shinning Inke, wich I may boldly say, is the best that ever was seene, for y^e raretie whereof I was advised to give my selfe the happiness of presenting some, to y^r Hon^r it being most certain that in the City of London, there is no other, but very ordinary and bad Inke, hoping that it may be as pleasing to y^r Hon^r as it was to several of the Chiefest

ranke in court, to whom I had the honor of presenting some, and that my presumption herein will be excused, I rest with all obedience

Monsieur

Y^r most humble & obedient
Servant Bonvallet

Gabriell Bonvallet in Crowne Court on pall mall and agst y^e portugall Embassadors, at and against ye shoemakers

No 6

Deare Unckle

Jan: the 22
Paris 1676

I received, by the last Post, a letter from my Mother, & another from my Grandfather; by both w^{ch} they give me to understand, there is now other obstacle to her admittance at Court, & kissing the Queens h[and] but the promise her Maiesty hath made to the Talbots, no.. to receive her into favour, without their consents: wherefore they urge me to write to my Lord Aslington, in her behalf (who has been a friend, as they tell me, so the dis...osing her affaires, in she favourable condition they now stand in) & to you to concusse with me facilitating this business, by ioyning your request to myne. As [your] age, & experience in the world, dose best inable you to iudge, what if fittest to be done in these circumstances; soe I desire your advice, & resolution: without which I shall be unwilling to act alone, in a business which is the publick concerne of our family: I have writ to my Unckle Gilbert Talbot, not only to the same sense; but almost in the same words; you may advise together, & be pleased to happen yo[ur] answer, with all possible speed, & returne it up so S^r John Talbot.

I am indebted to you this long time for the f[avour] of your last, which had not the application to my studyes, other exercises been a hindrance to, I had before this acknow... given you thanks for, but I know you have kindness enough favourably, & be iust to the affection of him y^t ever was, & ever w...

Deare Unckle

Yr most affcetinate ne[phew]
& humble servant

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No 7

Oxford: Thursday June y^e 29th 82

Honoured Mother,

I received your Ladyship's letter this morning, and according to your commands writ this post, to tell you that my father came through Oxford & stay'd a night and called upon me, from whence he went to Wolford to Capt Keys's, and, as I am informed by a messenger from thence, my fa^r and Mr Keys went together, I suppose, to the Horse-race att Purton-heath, for

Cap^t Keys took £90 with him; I have heard since that my fa^r is very well, but don't know att present where he is; I hope I shall give your Ladyship no more occasion of fears and jealousies, For I am not ignorant of those afflictions which I have created in you, and how much more it will trouble you, if I doe it againe. My lord Bishop & my Tutor gave my father a good character of me when he was here, which I shall endeavour to deserve. My Lord Bp has pass'd a great complement upon me, for he has commanded me to speak Latin verses publickly in our Theater this Act the 7 of July, which is a time when almost all y^e gentry in most shires in England come hither; if your Ladyp pleases I will translate them into English for you; I desire your Ladyp would give me leave to come to Laycock this summer, & if you will send me word when you are to be there, I will not trouble your Ladyp to send horses; the Bp & M^r Sparks present theire humble service to you, pray, Madam, present mine to my Cozen Jones, & sisters; I ask your blessing, and rest

Hon^{le} Mother,
Your most dutifull and
Obedient son
T.T.

No 8

Dublin Oct^{ber} ye 14th 1689

S^r

I have not omitted any opportunity in giving you an account of our healthes although I believe you have received few of them, as I find by a gentleman who came lately from London by way of france, who gave us an account of my sister Babs being to be married which I am glad to heare, your daughter heare is in good health & expects to lye in about X^{mas} we have beene in toun with my little family sinc y^e beginning of may, but I have beene heare my selfe sinc y^e later end of march y^e country at this time not being so safe, as y^e city. as to my condition I have not yet perfectly recover'd my hands, & for my estate I have lost possession of most part of it, & shall loose y^e rest at may & imployments I have none, & for mony I have received little for this yeare past, & what I now live on, is for some timber I .ould to ye ffort & have lately got y^e mony being £127 my successor would not permit me to take my goods from y^e ffort nor receive my arrears of rent, which is considerable, but I hope your cussen will assist me when he comes to toun for I am much oblided to him
What course to take next I know not, but hope I shall not want, my girle is now very good company & is her mothers sole diversion she sends you booth her duty & talks much of nanny of whome she stands much in fease our duty & service where due concluds from y^r obedient servant J

To the Lady Ivory

at S^r John Talbot's
house - Chese
Nr Thisleworth
England

7^{ber} [September] 7th [16]95

I thought D^r sister y^o woud be soe kind to let me hear from y^o among y^e crowd for the acc^t of y^r well fare would not be soe well come to any friend y^o have here I would have writ in answeare to yours from Dublin before I lay down but y^t y^o were soe newly gone y^t I was sure you were not gott to Chisleworth I had a very hard boat out never nearer loozeing my Life and I have ever since Languisht with a sore brest y^t is still in a lamentable condition in so much y^t I fear I shall not be able to stirr this winter and I fear it will be worse with me for being soe much confined to my beedd and Chamber will create ill humors w^{ch} I am all ready too full of I am hartly glad Jack has past y^e small pox and y^t Talbott is soe harty w^{ch} I be seech god continue for it is a comfort to me to think they are well tho' I shall not see them For my part I will never beare y^e name of your enemy but it is a sad thing y^t wee must goe to law my poor Brother little thought y^o would ever suffer it to come to this and I believed it I had no right y^o would not forgete y^r word to him and me and to many others for me and y^t no mans persuasion would pervaild wth y^t to doe me an iniustice in y^e sight of all y^r friends and mine who know all this and are surprised to think it I ever beleved S^r John Talbot would doe nothing for me but what hee would be compelled to and I often told y^o and my Brother soe who was himself sufficiently sensible one and had it not beene for y^e promises y^o made him not to leave it in S^r Johns power hee would have servered me by his personall estate and y^o were soe bent upon performing his will after his death yt y^o often told Mr Colclough and me if other debts were soe pressing y^t y^o could not avoid paying them with y^e yearly money y^t ought to be paid us wee should be allow'd Interest for it as wee were to have for y^e last years three hundred pound soe barrow'd of us and y^o told forty people now liveing in and about Ross yt yo would see us paid as usuall and it is a dreadfull thing that wee must now spend our little substance to wage law with our best friend and tho you have g[o]t among your own relations you will not I hope forget us I pray god direct and prosper you and consider how you hinderd us from speaking to my Brother when wee might have done it and let not your consideration of others occasion a wrong to

Your unfortunate sister
And humble Srt
Mary Colclough

No 10

this
for S^r John Talbot att
his house on Longe= Acre
London

Harusington Marche y^e 26th

S^r

The reason why there hathe binne a Port slipt and y^u have had no intimation from mee of y^e receipt of y^{rs} was, y^t it found mee from home so y^t it was forced to bee transmitted unto mee by a second hand; I am att present in Worcestershir whither I have binne called upon earnest business of my own, so y^t I am not capacitated a^{tt} present to give so full an answer to y^{ou} for some respects, as I wish I could; I intend to bee a^{tt} home y^e beginning of y^e nixt weeke, and shall most willingly serve my Lord, butt if in this business my appearance may not bee so requitito, I doubt not but I may perchance propose a way w^{ch} may bee as effectuall to y^e .ull, w^{ch} as soone as I come home I shall sign... unto y^o in y^e meanetime beg y^r suspention, and am

yr most humble & faithfull
servant
Tho; Talbot

Mine and my wifs humble service to my Lady bee pleased to present

No 11

For the Lady Ivory
at Mr Hugh Henerys
a merchant
in Dublin
Ireland

Ross in the County of Waxford

Isleworth 19 Augst 1712

I have my Dear Daughters of y^e 9 inst from Dublin, & hope you will receive y^e respective acc^{ts}, about y^e 4 children for this last yeare and find some place to settle y^e eldest before you goe towards Ross & Wexford, pray let me hear from you weekly, whilst you are absent. and in y^e postscript of y^r letters how to direct myne to you, in Ld Longu^{lls}. last hee hoped to see mee in a few days it is some weeks since the date of it, & I p^{re}sume hee is gone to Utrecht Yr sister & Daugh^{ts} will give trouble enough in postage of lett^{rs} God preserve y^r healths, & give a happy dispatch to y^r affairs in that Country. I rest

Your ever affec^{te} ffa^r
[Signed] Talbot

I went ffryday morning to
London purposely, to have spoken
about T^s affair, but the Triag^e
was gone to Winsor.

No 12a

For the Lady Ivory
At Ross
In the county of wexford
In Ireland

Sep^r 23 1712 Islewth

I have y^e satisfaction of y^e 11 inst, but noe place mencioned. Yr Bro^r Coakly can inform you to what su... securitie must bee given for a Collectors place. And how long hee may expect for a vacancy I know not I shall doe what I can to hasten it. I should return you & y^r sonne answers to yr letters but as yet I have noe subject matter before mee until you send mee some ac^ts what you have done in y^r affaires there, I have letters to writ this inst to my owne Agents in the Country, I doe presume the same dayes are held of keeping ye Tearms in that Kingdome as in this, Oc^r ye 23 our MichTearm begins & ends 28 of Novembr. I hope y^r business there wilbe dispatched sooner. I pray God send you a safe passage in y^r returne to

Y^e ever affecte ffa^r
Talbot

No 12b

ffor the Lady Ivory
At Ross
In y^e [county] of Limerick
Wexford Dublin bagg
Ireland

Lacock Oc^r 8:1712

I came hither y^e. 4 by noone and went on to Bath that night, by all the Enquirie I made I could only heare M^r Kitily was in Towne, but not find his lodging, on Munday moring I mett wth. him, and fully discoursed y^e. affaire, and find that the superior Officers to that employ of a Collector, doe nominate in theyr Turnes only such persons as have undergone the inferior places, w^{ch}. noe gent^m. of qualitie will undergoe to bee a Collector, and alsoe that y^e. employ of a Collec^r doth not qualifie a man, or recommend him to a higher preferm.^t in y^e. Treasury, or many affairs, hee owned there had bin one or two breaches into this generall Rule, but upon my supposing a lett^r. should bee procured in y^e. favour of this Younge man from the L^d. Tr.... his reply was that it were better to git an Order from him to the Boad, for if only recommendatory, y^e answer might bee returned that it should bee obeyed when there was a Uacancy, or that, there was none at y^e. p^{re}sent. nay farther I put it, if his letter were absolute to doe it hee replyd it would bee obeyed. but not untill a uacancy hap.. after all hee mad^e. great professions of servis & respect to you and mee, that soe soon as hee returned to London hee wont speake wth. y^e. L^d. Treas... about it and give mee an acc^t of it. the day before I left Islewth. w^{ch}. was y^e. 1st. of Oc^r. I went to the L^d. Treas^r. and hee told mee M^r Kitily was not come from Bathe but when hee did come hee would advise wth. him about it, this

caused mee to goe on to Bathe ye. 4 inst: this is all the acc^t I am able to give you as yet in this affaire, w^{ch}. I think is not soe good as to deserue such an application. how ever their shalbe noe neglect in ye application of

Y^e ever affect ffather
Talbot

My blessing to y^r sonns.
Lacock Saturday Oc^r 18

I have bin in expectation of letters fro^m Ihisleworth whereby to have had some from you org sonne and whether Ld Longvill were come up to Winsor, but not one line have they writ.

No 12c

For the Lady Ivory
At M^r Hugh Henerys house
A merchant
In Dublin
Ireland

Oc^r 28: 1712 Isleworth

I think I am not indebted to my Deare D^r a letter, if I am tis but one and I cannot remember y^e contents of it having it not now before mee, I have one from Master John of what hee hath let upon some small improv^t and little bargaines.

I have not yet heard of y^e tearm proceedings makes mee conclude you are not returned to Dublin. I wish you good success in it.

I returned hither on Saturday last, went Munday to London came back this day to dinner & get back to town tomorrow morning. all there are in good health. Bab was on Sunday at Winsor and soe farr past for a Beauty, as to be taken for Mrs Uernons sister Wee wish you a happy returne, accept all services & good wishes from hence soe concludes

Your poor old ffather

No 12d

For the Lady Ivory
At M^r Daniells House
Over against y^e Colledg
In Dublin
Ireland

Novemb^{er} 8 1712 Islwth

My D^{re} D^r

I have y^{rs} of ye 27 of y^e last mth: I am glad you are all well, and are by y^r improuim^{ts} made sensible (rather there by y^r arrears) of y^e ill conduct of y^r Agent who did suffer them to runn into them wthout distroyning & selling of theyr stock for noe doubt Tenn^{ts} might hae bin gott seing it was under litt. I went to London the 6th that I might bee yesterday morning at the Great mens Levie wheri I Mr Kiytly who arrived the night before from Bathe, wee discours't fully the affair about a Collector, hee says whether letter, or order, it wilbe ineffectuall wthout there were a p^{re}sent Uacansie, because there are soe many of those kinds sent w^{ch} are entered and placed in course as entered, that hee may waite longe to bee admitted, y^r Bro^r Colchloe can informe you how to enquire into y^e truth of it: But what appears to mee as a Greate objection to it is y^e Great security to bee given of £2000 for soe small a place: your self & eldest sonne I p^{re}sume must bee the persons to doe it: and if hee is soe, how inconvenient may it bee to him upon a Treatie of Marriage, (by way of objection) that hee is soe: w^{ch} hath not bin considered, I say not this to dissuade him from doing it: but from y^r inconvenience of the employ from y^e. ha.erd of the inferior Agents under him. Soe that if wee understood. what officer in y^e Treasury such as hee might bee thought capable off, the Name, Qualitie & Salary, soe as by time and experience hee might Rise to bee fit for better preferm^t (w^{ch} I find by y^r lett^r you are more inclined to; let mee bee informed and I will speake againe wth Mr Kityly & press for an Order or lett^r: to y^e Tre^r but wthout knowing what to aske would bee fruitless: bee as speed.. in this as you please and I shall not neglect a day to ... it and press for an answer:

Pray let mee heare often from you

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Y^r daughters humble duty and service to theyr Bro^r herein is all to excuse you postage of another lett^r

No 12e

For the Lady Ivory
At M^r Daniells house
Ouer agst y^e Colledg
In Dublin
Ireland

Nou^r ye 30th:1712

I have y^{rs} of y^e 22 inst w^{ch} brings mee the satisfaction of y^r being in health since it doth not mencion the contrarie.

What you propose in relacion to y^r sonne as to his stay in Ireland to bee instructed in y^e customhouse I understand not, for I take the the place of a collector to bee of the Rents of the Crown lands or Rents, and although the Customs bee one Branch of ye Revenew as the excise, and land Taxes are others see they have theyr Peticular Receivers or Collectors for each branch, and his instructions are to bee in y^e office of that Branch of y^e reuenew hee were to collect, for what will auaille him to understand the Rates upon Merch^{ts} goods imported or exported, if the Collectors place w^{ch} should happen upon a Ld Treasurers letter should bee a Collector of another part of y^e Reuenew, our Cheife who you writ was coming ouer is speedily takeing a very contrarie course. In order so w^{ch} hee is soe busie in order to it

that little access can bee obteyned to him I wish y^r sonn John had bin here to have made this jorney wth him although at the expence of some mony for fine cloths, and I fancy L.d.will have a mind to doe it but I guess, his absence will not bee allowed of by reason of his Vote. I was told y^e W party in that Country have made great application to him. upon w^{ch} I took notice of it by letter to him. thus, that I was informed hee had not made soe great application to the fayr ffemales in that Neighbourhood, as the Males had made to him: I have not his answer since

I have soo little hopes of succeeding in the way you propose At present that I cannot approve of y^r leaveing him behind you, but when both are present that the Treas^r may see him: it may bee obteyned the post staves for this God p^{re}serve you and yours
H

No 12f

For the Lady luory
at hir lodging
near the Colledg Gate
In Dublin
Ireland

London De^r 5 1712

My Deare

In my last to y^r sonne I desired the returne of you all, not leaueing Talbot behind as you designed to doe;

This morning I attended at his ... and was the first hee was pleased to speake to. I did congratulate his new Carter hee ask for my commands or to that effect I told him my request was to put him in mind of a request you had made to him for a Collectors place in Ireland that hee would to favour you wth his Lo^p letter to the Commissioners for y^e 1st uacancy, hee replyd that hee would give order to Mr Kiytly effectually to have it done, The next weeke when I come to Towne I will find out Kiytly who hath chainged his former lodging and will give you a ffarther acc^t. tis late & I must conclude for I am wearyed wth busines this euening, My blessing to both.

Yr euer effec^{te} ffa^r

Talbot

No 12g

For the Lady Ivory
At M^r Daniells house
Ouer against y^e Colledg
In Dublin
Ireland

Isleworth De^r: 11 1712

My D^{re}. D^r.

I am just returned from London and mett yours of the 2^d. inst^t. you have writ a greatdeale upon a subject w^{ch} required it not to convince mee, what I mean't as it might bee an inconvenience to y^r sonne being engaged as a securitie for Bro^r for soe greate a sume as 1500 or £2000 was not that I doubted his Bro^{rs}. care or truth, but upon a Treatie of Marriage might bee an obstruction. On Munday y^e & I went to London to enquire out M^r. Keytlys lodging, and to enquire if my Ld Triasu^e. had taken any notice to him of my application to his Lo^p. in Talbots behalf, and hee owned hee did, discoursing farther hee seemed still how inconsiderable it was how many pre-engagem^{ts} himself as well as the rist of the Comissio^{es} were under; in theyr respective turns to present, by w^{ch} I saw theyr privat interests. sway'd them. but hee made great professions of servis, and assured mee of his freindship in this particular, however, I doo intend this next week to press his Lo^{pp} for his lett^r to them for the 1st Uacancy.

The Dukes Charriot & Retinuw went thence this morning & goos away on Munday for Dover. I cannot imagine why you have such diffictie how to dispose of Talbot if you leave him behind you. Now hee a deboish idle youth addicted to Drinck, Gameing or other loos^eness, hee would bee unfit to bee trusted wth any such Trust, you are to bee surity for his faythfull performance, you may find some place in a sober family to lodge & Dyet him in and provide him wth pocket mony, wth a charge not exceed his allowances. To ..ipe the best company hee can: w^{ch} is y^e cheapest and wth the least dainger, until [hee] can bee provided wth a place to assist him

wee are all well. My blessing to you & y^{rs}. there & service & Duty fro y^e... conerlews this fro Talbot

No 12h

For the Lady Ivory
At M^r Daniells house
Ouer agst the Colledg
In Dublin
Ireland

Isleworth De: 19: 1712

My D^{re}. D^r.

I have 2 longe lettrs of yrs upon my hands now to answer, one of ye 2 & 9th inst the subject of w^{ch} are to y^r same purpose, to w^{ch} I have returned you my Thoughts upon them, and the mean=ness of the employ you are soe soli[cito]us to press for, & [the difficulty] of obeyning ... letter if proc... wthout a long attendance for a vacancy to make it effectuall. that it is not a place hee can likely arise by to one more reputable or much more profitable probably from a smale collectors district to one that may bee a larger. as Jack Oueron is likely in a few months or more likely to bee in y^e Excize affaire to have a Gagers place of £30: a yeare and may arise to one of £50, but not a Commissioners of 5 or £600 a yeare. I say not this to induce you to decline y^r proceeding farther after it, or my declining to press for it in compliance to y^r desires I have done it & shall doo it. But at the distance you are you doo not

judg rightly of the difficulties of access, or y^e trouble it gives men in power & great places to
bee dunnd, and told of promises they have not performed. for these 2 Weeks last past there
hath bin his daughter marryed to the Duke of Leeds sonne, and y^e feasting out of towne at
Wimbleton. if I can have an Opertunitie before y^e end of this month to bee admitted to see
him, I will press again for his lett^r., L^d Longuivill came up to have seene the D. of Sh. before
hee went, but came too late, on Saturday & he went Sunday morning. and on Sunday at
Court where he had y^e hono^e. to carry y^e sword before his Ma^{tie}. the Treasu^e was greatly civill
to him claimed double kind wth him, and would wait on him, but y^e Wedding affair
prevented theyr seeing each other for my Lord took h.. Sunday evening came hither
Munday wee went to London to have waited as wee did Tuesday Wednesday y^e Thursday to
noe purpose this morning hee went for Easton & I returned hither & mett y^r last lett^r Adieu for
this time

I hear you designe Talbots hain shalbe cutt of, the place is not worth it
My blessing to yr sonne
Ye affect ff T

No 13

For y^e Lady Ivory
att Ilesworth near
London
Middlesex

Ross y^e 20th [1713]

Dear Madam

I came last night to Ross from Rorgarland [?] where I took my leave, Tom Ivory is to come
here tomorrow to make up his accounts wth me not having time to stay to do it there. I send
you here two bills for £500 each by next post I hope to get more from Jo: White w^t I can't
return that way I shall carry wth me to Dublin Monday next. I believe my Brother writes
constantly to you so that, I hope you will excuse my silence since I came into y^e country last,
being always in motion since I have been here gathering up y^e residue of y^e purchase mony.

It is very troublesome to have a considerable sum by me w^{ch} I am making w^t hast to get rid
off. I have kept it longer here than I needed in hopes to get London bills for y^e whole y^e
exchange being lower here than att Dublin. I hope you will pardon this hasty scribble fro y:

most dutifull son

J Ivory

My duty to S^r John and service to sisters

No 14a

For y^e Lady Ivory
att Sr John Talbots house
in Ilesworth
near London
Middlesex

Dublin 9^{ber} y^e 7th 1713

Dear Madam

I send you enclosed a bill for eighteen hundred pound it is w^t I have received from some of y^e purchasers beforehand who trust to me, tho' I give them nothing for it as yet: now y^e Exchange is reasonable I shall endeavour to return w^t more I can get I desire Madam you will take advice how to place this mony in y^e Bank, since it will be more secure there than in any bankers hands, & will always be in a readiness to Draw out, besides we shall receive some small interest; indeed it will be very hard upon us to subsist on that for this ensuing half year wth we receive no Lady Day Rents: we must depend on our arrears w^{ch} I am afraid will fail us mightily. I this day had an opportunity to be wth y^e Duke in private, w^{ch} I have waited for this whole week, he sent to know w^t I wanted wth him, for he had heard I had often desired admittance he has been so much indisposed & taken up wth business that he has had little leisure, he assured me that when anything offered he would remember my Brother, he heard he was bred up to Business & accounts, & therefore I suppose waits for a suitable post for him; he did not give me opportunity to talk about my own concerns, he was in haste to go to y^e court that waited for him, he is so reserved that I don't hear he ever sees company in private except on Business. He is always wth y^e Dutchess when y^e publick does not want him. Yesterday y^e Election began for this City S^r Wm Fownds & Mr Tucker y^e Tory candidates mett all their party on Colledge green & from thence proceeded to y^e Tholsell where y^e through was so great between y^e two contending partys who strived to get as near as they could to y^e place of election that it occasioned some disturbance. The Sherifs sent for y^e Guard who came & fired amongst y^e people by their order two shop keepers were killed & many wounded: the whole matter is laid before ye counsel so we are not certain who are to blame y^e officer who had orders from y^e General not to ... powder or ball or y^e Sheriffs who sent for y^e gaurd & commanded them to fire. I shall be very busy next week to endeavour to make some end to Edgworths business, having nothing else now to do in town but that & w^t Archdeacon Neal may force me to. Tho' I hope to hear out of y^e Country of some likelihood to dispose of Ross; I forgot I believe to tell you that Mrs Edgworth is to come to town She is seeking out it seems an apartment that may be creditable & fit for her to live in; she had y^e impudence to'ther day to come alone to y^e Ball att y^e castle & to send out for Lady Newburgh to present her to her Grace I don't know whether she did or no but I am sure she came on to y^e apartments, & that I was ashamed to take notice of her. Her Brother is in as fair a way to be ruined as she is, he is extravagant game always idling att y^e coffee house & wth all has y^e vanity to keep a livery servant. I have & his Tutor & Colledge have threatened him that he will be expelled: but I find fair words & bad ones are thrown away on him.

My Humble Duty to my Grandfather whom I would write to, did I not think he would be glad to be excused y^e trouble of a letter of mine, especially wⁿ I have no business or anything new to inform him w^{ch} I believe D^r Madam you wonder I can fill my letter so full now, wⁿ I formerly used to make you pay postage for half a dozen lines I can as easily twice as much paper now wth y^e news & politicks of y^e town did I think you would be pleased to be troubled wth such . If not I must be forced to write on y^e old way & conclude a short letter wth assuring you w^{ch} I hope you have always found that I am y^r most Dutifull & obedient son

J Ivory

Talbot gives his Duty to you & Grandfather. My service to my sisters.

For y^e Lady Ivory
att Ilesworth
near London
Middlesex

Ross Sept y^e 28th [1713]

Dear Madam

Y^r letter of y^e 17th that brought me y^e good news of y^e Dukes coming over was a great satisfaction to me especially since his grace has promised to do for my Brother, I shall observe all y^e directions you mentioned, & endeavour to fashion my Brother as much as I am able: we will go for Dublin as soon as ever we hear he is on y^e road in England, that we may be the first to meet him att his landing. I shall go y^e week after this into y^e English Barony to settle all y^e arrears and either to get in y^e mony or have their respective crops or stocks made over to me. For security. Mr Cliff went the other day to Birtenwood to endeavour to bring him to reason, he finds him not to an accommodation he complains of our usage, he still insists on y^e £18 rent, of y^e deficiency of acres, & that he never was abated for y^e troublesome times & that my Unckle Colclough rapareed him as he calls it. These and a great many more are his grievances, I think it best to have done wth such a troublesome fellow by any means & better to forgive him a years rent if he will pay y^e rest. We agreed att a meeting of y^e purchasers on y^e draught of y^e deeds & y^e appointing a person to go for England wth them who is M^r Welman, I believe he will be going in less than a fortnight. I have not yet sold Temonine butt suppose M^r Ogle and I shall not disagree about it when we meet in Dublin. As to y^e disposing of y^e lease for my two years that will never be worth my while since I have such arrears due on that farm, & must expect not to get it att one distress because that would ruin y^e tenants & leave me liable to pay M^r Ogle rent, w^{ch} I find is all ways paid thus & we not putt to any trouble on that score. The tenant has always paid Mr Cliff y^e collector the moiety of their rent w^{ch} always makes up ours to him. I have troubled you sufficiently so will conclude begging my duty & service where due & y^e blessing M^r Napper gives his service to you

J Ivory

For y^e Lady Ivory
att y^e Honble S^r John Talbots
in Ilesworth near
London
Middlesex

Dublin Nov: y^e 21st 1713

Dear Madam

I have not failed to write constantly every post since I came to Dublin I writ so fully y^e last time in answer to y^r last letters that I have nothing more to add. My Brother received y^{rs} of y^e 14th w^{ch} contains nothing relating to our business: That pacquet brought me one from Will Welman. Tho' I desire nothing so much as his speedy re[turn?], yet I was concerned that

he should be so hasty as to come away before Nappers & Jacobs deeds were sent, y^e memoribls that are necessary to be perfected to all y^e purchasers I hope some of my letters will stop him that I have writ lately: All that I desire is, that he may come time enough that I may return y^e £1200 by Christmas to answer my Grandfathers ends. I have sent £3000 of it already I find you enclosed a bill for £450 more [John]? Jones is so ill of y^e Stone that I can't have opportunity to talk to him of business or else I might hope to return £2000 more. I have putt Edgworths business into M^r Cluffs hands I found y^e Prime Serjeant too negligent in it, besides he has done one a wrong footing there not being proper party to y^e bill: we had a motion in court this day to amend our bill and answer w^{ch} will be done wth all speed imaginable. I can answer for nothing in respect to y^e crediting of Gill Talbot there being no possibility to bring their demand into our decree. They seem very willing to allow of it but I believe y^e guardians will not venture to pay them wthout an order of court. M Birtenwood has preferred a billing against us so that I suppose a de[torn] will be sent over to you soon for that purpose. The Parliament here is prorogue'd to Wensday next it begins to be feared much that y^e Queens ... Dukes recommendation will lose it as to y^e speaker a great many of our party being engaged to Broderick unaware, it will certainly be a very difficult struggle. I have so many letters to writ so y^e country to summon y^e Gentlemen up, since M^r Welman comes so soon that I hope you will excuse this

From y^r most obedient serv

J Ivory

I put last post a letter to M^r Welman wth a rough draught of a memorial etc

No 15b

For The Lady Ivory
att Ilesworth
near London
Middlesex

Dublin Dec: 9th [1713]

Dear Madam

Last pacquet brought me two letters from y^r Ladyship & Mr Welman who brought me all ye deeds safe we shall dispatch the business as soon as possible; but Mr Pigotts illness may retard y^r signing & sealing a little I send inclosed a bill for £2300 every post now will bring you more mony but unluckily for us y^r exchange rises, however it is better to return tho' att high discount & get interest for ones mony in England, than let it lye dead here waiting for y^e fall of y^e exchange w^{ch} is alway highest at this time. I believe tho' my being in England att this time would be very necessary you will hardly think it proper for me to leave the receiving and returning of y^r mony to any body else & it could not be reasonably expected that any one should pay me before they were secure of their deeds, indeed some were so generous as to run y^e risk of casualness & give me theirs before hand. In my last if you of some difficulty that would be raised against my fine & recovery, but they are all cleared now, & nothing remains but y^e security I am to give each purchasers to indemnify them against my brothers

annuity, w^{ch} I think is also resolved on. I have att last concluded wth M^r Meredith the chancellor of y^e Exchequers nephew for my estate att Ross, & M^r Clements who has been my adviser all along & every body else says I have sold it well. It is not three hundred acres & a great deal of y^e rent is of cabins & mills w^{ch} are not valued att above ten years purchase; it being y^e last of my concerns & knowing I must be forced to take up 15 or 16 hundred pounds to pay Edgworth If I did not dispose of y^e estate I chose rather to lose two hundred pounds w^{ch} I thought I might have expected more than I got, than run under interest in Ireland I have got for it three thousand nine hundred pds I have had a great deal of slavery in this affair & was forced to give some mony & have been a great while a bringing it about. I have now thank God not an acre left here mony for my purchase in England & above £1500 in my pocket. I am reckined in this kingdom to be y^e luckiest person that ever undertook so great a task that I have done & succeeded so well, having got by two years purchase more than ever was given before: I can't help observing that Cov^t Lambert has been glad to get 16 y^{rs} purchase for lands Joyning to mine the same way sett. Now I am telling you of my good fortune I must beg leave to mix some crosees wth it . that is y^r kindrances we meet in Edgworths business: a decree can not pass for my security without y^e gaurdians take out letters of administration they have done that, but there wants Mr Henry Williamson who is y^e surviving executor to Cap^t Charles Talbot consent to his being made a plantif in y^e suit & his surrender of y^e Executorship if that part of y^e assets that is in Ireland in our hands. It will be no cost nor trouble to him, a letter under his hand signifying so much & his transferring y^e Executorship to one of y^r gaurdians here by signing an Instrument (w^{ch} will be sent this or y^e next post) testified by a notary Publick is all that is desired I have little more business to trouble you wth. Than to know w^t you design to do with M^{rs} Grosvenors annuity, & whether you are willing I should pay her y^e fifty pounds as you designed & I told her. The whole talk of this town is on my Lady Althams coming over here to her Lord, the Duke of Bucks has reconciled them by a new position of a thousand pounds some say more. He is contented to live wth her again & own her publickily after her being so notoriously common in London & bringing a Bastard. Mrs [Y?]ouchett has got ye smallpox & this week ye Duke removes to Chapell- Issod, for y^e air. I dined att Court y^e other day he was very civill to me, y^e only health he drunk att table (except y^e Queens) was y^e family att llesworth: y^e Duchess always asks after you. My paper will permit me to say no more than that I am most dutifully y^{rs}. My duty & service where due

J Ivory

No 15c

For The Lady Ivory
att llesworth
near London
Middlesex

Dublin Dec: y^e 15th [1713]

Dear Madam

I have been all this day signing & sealing & receiving mony, w^{ch} is troublesome enough I have but just time to send you these three bills one for £1600 another for £80 both on Cairns & another of 560 on Mr Alexander Mitchell a Merchant in Cannon Street, I never let mony lie a moment in my hands after I receive for exchange is rising every post & I take

y^e greatest care in y^e world to make y^e best bargains I can: I hope you get my bills accepted as soon as ever you receive them that there may be no delay: I wish dear Madam you would inform me more particularly when you receive my bills for it putts me to some uneasiness sometimes for fear of miscarriage I never fail in every letter to acquaint you wth those I sent y^e week before. Last week I sent on y^e 8th a bill of £2300 on y^e 10th £400: and y^e 21st of November last one of £450 that is all y^e mony that I have returned besides y^e £3000 w^{ch} I find you have received: & w^t I do this post. Mr Pigott is so ill that he has not been in bed this fortnight it is a complication of Distempers, it is y^e greatest hindrance to me imaginable att this time, he not being in a condition to perfect y^e deeds w^{ch} he is party to, w^{ch} keep me out of y^e mony so long I visit him every day to get an opportunity, but he can't be disturbed they tell me.

Another inconvenience there is w^{ch} will keep part of my mony of this side y^e water longer than I wished and that is a great deal of y^e gentlemans mony be in y^e country & not having an opportunity of returning it hither them selves they oblige me to receive it there, I am afraid I shall have above three thousand to return from thence. These are all unlucky disappointments w^{ch} will retard y^e £12000 being ready by Christmas I hope it will be of no ill consequence since it can't be helped: as I take it I am obliged to pay y^e trustees all y^e £17000, so that no part of my mony can be disposed off till they are first satisfied. I am as sensible as you are how much it would be for my advantage to do my own business my self in England but I can't be here and there too, & y^e receiving & returning of mony is w^t I don't care to leave to any body. I am sure I can be very easy here since I have so good & just a mother to manage for me in England. I am D^r Madam

Yr most obedient

J Ivory

My duty to my Grandfather
& Service to sisters

I believe Madam you had best defer paying your small debts yet a little while, if you want mony for other occasions you must make up part of y^e 380 bill, for I don't think it convenient to draw on our agents since y^e land is out of our power.

No 15d

For y^e Lady Ivory
att Ilesworth near
London
Middlesex

Dublin Dec: y^e 19th [1713]

Dear Madam

My Brother writ last post and enclosed a bill for £200, I expected to have returned over wt remains of yr £12000 this post, had not yr Scruples & doubts of Mr Pigot hindered his perfecting ye deeds of conveyances: I wish he had never been concerned in any of our

business, he is one so little conversant in Business himself that when he has any before him, he makes more of it, than really there is. His sickness has putt me off for one fortnight, now he is recovering he forces me before he will perfect any writing, to give him such a deed or bond that may indemnify him from any warranty that he gives in my deeds of sale. He says this trust was all putt on him wthout his knowledge or consent, that he will not subject his estate to y^e incumbrance of mine. I have advised wth two of y^e most eminent Lawyers in this affaire & I hope I shall by Monday get such a deed from them that may be safe for me to sign & sufficient to secure him. I think all my letters of late have been full disappointments w^{ch} I fore... all along tho' never imagined any should be occasioned by M^r Pigott. The only difficulty that I thought would arise might be about my title but I find my Patent is sufficient in that case there will nothing now remain after Pigott is satisfied but to find an expedient to secure y^e purchasers against my Brothers annuity. The ways that have been proposed were these, either to leave such a part of my estate unfold till he came of age that might be sufficient to pay his annuity, or else to lodge such a sume of mony in this kingdom that might be a security to y^e purchasers till my Brother is of age to relinquish his pretensions himself, or else to get some gentleman of estate in this Kingdom to Joyn wth me in a bond to save them harmless from any demand of my Brother. The two first I disapprove off because I can't spare any mony, & as for y^e last I don't care to be oblidged to anyone in this kingdom, or if I had any such thoughts do I know who to ask such a favour from. I hope by next post to send you better news of all my affairs & that all my fears are over. The expence I am att in town you must be great & yet I must keep M^r Welman here till all these things are settled. The affairs of this kingdom are not likely to continue so yesterday y^e Whigs fairly discovered what they would be att after an attempt to pass a vote against Ld Anglesy in w^{ch} they failed, they succeeded too well in their resolutions against y^e Lord Chancellour: the debate held from twelve yesterday morning to three this morning, and att last concluded (after a resolution that Ld Chancel: was an enemy to y^e Queen & Protestant interest of this kingdom a betrayer of his trust and other hard expression) in an address to y^e Queen that she would be pleased to remove him from his employments. They carried this by a majority of twenty six. You will find by y^e resolution and address of y^e house of Lords w^t a different opinion they have of him. It will be left to y^e Queen whether she will have more regard to y^e representation of an House of Lords & y^e wishes & opinion of y^e honest party of this kingdom, or y^e rash resolves of y^e Commons. I may thank my stars that i shall have nothing more to do in this unsettled & divided kingdom, partys run so high now that I believe it will end in y^e loss of those sma[ll] priviledges & advantages that yet belong to this nation. I dined yesterday wth y^e Duke who is not yet recovered of his cold, y^e Dutchess is not well either, But Mr Touchett is quite recovered & they say not much marked. Pray give my humble duty to my Grandfather & Service to my sisters. I shall not have time now to transcribe y^e address & resolutions of the L^{ds} if I don't conclude now wth assuring you that I am most dutifully y^r John Ivory

Resolved That words spoken by R^d Nuttall Attorney in or about August last that y^e Ld Chanc: of this Kingdom was a Canary Bird and a Villain & has sett y^e kingdom together by the ears and deserved to be hanged, are, ?ase scandalous & tending to stir up sedition & highly reflecting on y^e Government of this kingdom.

Resolved that S: Const: Phips Kn. L^d Chancellor of Ireland has in y^e several stations wherein he has served her Majesty in this kingdom acquitted himself wth honour & integrity.

The Address

We y^r Majestys most dutifull & loyall subjects y^e L^{ds} Spirituall & Temporal in Parliment assembled having taken into our consideration y^e calumnies & Reproaches w^{ch} have been cast upon S: Const: Phip. y^r Majestys L^d High Chan of Ireland & Speaker of this house and having this day had under our Examination several groundless aspersions trown upon him by one R^d Nuttal whereby he was traduced even whilst one of y: Majesty L^d Justices, as having been a promoter of all y^e dissentions w^{ch} have lately happened in this kingdom do think our selves oblidged in Justice to that Excellent Minister in all humility to represent unto y: majesty, that we do not find but that in all y^e severall eminent stations in w^{ch} he has served y^r Majesty since his coming into this Country, he has acquitted himself wth honour & Integrity as becomes a discerning & vigilant governour an equall administrator of Justice a true lover of y^e Church as by Lawes established and a zealous assserter of y^e Prerogative in opposition to a factious Spirit w^{ch} has too much prevailed of late in this nation.

We therefore most humbly beseech y^r Majesty that you will not suffer any evill report against him (If any such should reach y^r Majesty) to make any impression on y^e Royall heart to his disfavour.

No 15e

For The Lady Ivory
att Ilesworth near
London
Middlesex

Dec: y^e 22d 1713

Dear Madam

Since my last I have received four pacquets from England w^{ch} brought me y^e pleasure of one from my Grandfather w^{ch} I shall answer as soon as I have spoken to Mr Broderick and my L^d Duke. I am sorry y^e letters I writ y^e beginning of this month have given you so much uneasiness, indeed they did not give less to me, till all those doubts were cleared w^{ch} in my last letters I informed you off; M^r Pigott I told you scrupled to perfect his past of y^e conveyances till I had indemnified him from any demand of or from any of my sisters or brother, from any covenant that he makes in any of y^e deeds, and from any costs or damages he might sustain by reason of his being made a party to any deeds of sale; y^e security I gave him is by way of a bond w^{ch} I got drawn by y^e Sollicitor General. It will be too tedious to write an abstract of all y^e recitals. I perfected that bond last night when he att y^e same time executed all my deeds. This morning I made all y^e dispatch I could in this town y^e rest I shall finish in y^e country some of y^e party being the[unreadable] being able to stay longer in town where I am to receive considerable sumes of mony w^{ch} I shall return to my Brother who I leave behind me in town, he is to return it to you as fast as he receives it. Exchange rises every day, this bill of £1760 is att 6½ per cent. w^{ch} I send enclosed last post I sent a small one of £200. You may assure y^rself I shall not stay longer in y^e country than

while I can receive y^e mony due there as well from y^e purchasers as from y^e tenants, and till I have settled accounts wth all of them as well as wth Tom Ivory & Will Napper, I am obliged to ye latter in being bound wth me to all those gentlemen whose purchases are subject to Talbots annuity to secure them from any such incumbrance I told you in my last that was y^e method proposed by councell, he offered it himself to me, so I accepted of it, that I might not retard my business by any further delay of Councel: indeed y^e parliament have taken up so much of y^e time of y^e Long robe that they had none for their Clients. I have found y^e originall deed of y^e Surrender w^{ch} is registered as must all y^e rest, the fines & recoverys & deeds of settlement &c. I writ so long a letter last post w^t wth business & politics that you must excuse my being so short this time & concluding so abruptly I am D^r Madam y^r most dutifull son

J Ivory

No 15f

For y^e Lady Ivory
att Ilesworth
near London
Middlesex

Dec: y^e 31st [1713]

Dear Madam

I have been kept from going into y^e Country so soon as I intended, by Mr Merediths not being ready to go till Monday next: we can't send over y^e draught of his deed till we have settled y^e Denominations of y^e land att Ross, y^e Patent names & those in y^e leases differing. I shall stay little there wⁿ that is settled & y^e mony paid w^{ch} is to be received there. I am in hopes to finish Edgeworths business before I go over, it is now in readiness to be heard when ever L^d Chancellour appoints a day, w^{ch} in our petition w^{ch} is preferred to him is desired to be soon because of my leaving y^e kingdom .re..anly. Mr Ogle refuses to pay any of y^e expenses we were att on his account he says it was without his consent & he thought he had satisfied your Ladyship in that matter when you were here last. The Parliament has broke up for so long a time that there is no news stirring here so that I must be forced to conclude this wth desiring you to accept y^e sincere profession of my being D^r Madam y^r most Dutifull son
My duty & service where due

J Ivory

Last post I sent you a bill for £250

No 16

For y^e Lady Ivory
att y^e Hon^{ble} S^r John Talbots
att Isleworth
near London

Middlesex

Dublin Nove y^e 10th 1713

I send by this post Will Nappers dec'd directed
to S^r John att Mr Parsons

Dear Madam,

Within these two days we have received three pacquets from England w^{ch} brought me as many letters from y^r Ladyship w^{ch} I assure you was very acceptable after silence of ten days. The news it brought me of Mr Welmans being come to town was very welcome since y^e receipt of my money will in a great measure depend on his dispatch of my business: I spoke to Mr Serjeant Cliff about y^e mistakes you tell me off in four of y^e deeds; he seems confident there can be no such thing for he compared them all; however he has writ to Mr Wellmore this post to leave out S^r John Mr Pigot & my sisters in those deed I sent you by last post a bill for £1400, you have enclosed another for £1900 on S^r Alex: Cairns I am endeavouring w^t I am able to get y^r mony out of y^r purchasers hands [unreadable] y^e exchange is so moderate w^{ch} will make a [unreadable] for w^t I must be forced to allow an extravagant exchange for about Christmas about w^{ch} time I hope if Mr Wellman makes haste overall my mony will be remitted. I have not yet proceeded in Edgworths affair Mr Darby nor y^e other guardian being out of town they tell me that there is nothing more to be done than to come to a hearing before my L^d Chancellor, who will immediately give a decree. I believe there can be no mention or order in the decree about paying Cap^t Talbots debts since it neither concerns them nor us for y^e substance of their bill is to call us to account for y^e £1200 & y^e interest that is due; our answer is that we are ready to pay all that shall be found due provided y^e court will secure us a legall discharge. However, I shall put this case to y^r Lawyers & hope either from y^e court or Gaurdians to get an order to pay the creditors in England. I beg you'l give my Duty to my Grandfather & let him know that my L^d Chancellor Phips has sent to me to come tomorrow particularly to drink his health. That report you have in England is very groundless, y^e Chancellor has greater assurances than ever from y^e Queen & L^d Treasurer & this last pacquet brought his son a patent place of £360 per ann in this kingdome is to his being impeached I believe nothing would be more sure provided y^e whigs had a majority in this new parliament w^{ch} they begin to despair off y^r elections running so much in favour of their enemys. I believe I told you in some of my letters that y^r Duke has carried himself so fair & respectfull to y^e Whigs that they began to entertain hopes of his being in their interest & thereupon extolled him highly; but I believe they will soon change their note, for he tother day recommended Sr R^d Levin to be Speaker & assured him of his interest Broderick is resolved to oppose him, w^{ch} I believe will occasion an open rupture between them since they oppose him in his first request. Besides he declared himself so much in favour of y^e city business that they are still more incensed. The privy councill have not yet determined on y^e riot that was at y^e Tholsel. Cap^t Car desired me that I would write in favour of Mrs Grosvenor to you to recommend her to S^r John: He designs to petition that L^d Lieutenant for a pension I must own not wthout good pretensions since she had a husband & three sons officers killed in y^e Service. I leave it to you to judge whether or no, it may be a means to lessen our Interest Ile' assure you I don't trouble myself wth what any one says to me on that score, I shall think it sufficient If when anything offers I can do my brother a service I have got a copy of my unckle Colcloughs discharge & shall take care to have y^e Judgments taken up on all y^e Bonds. I employed one before I left y^e country to take copies of

all y^e deeds w^{ch} will be done time enough. I think my paper will scarce permit to say more than that I am Dear madam yr most odedient John Ivory

Couzen Talbot & Archdeacon Matthew Hall this family give their service to you & every body that knows you desire y^e same of me always but I forget.

No 17

For y^e Lady Ivory
att llesworth near
London
Middlesex

Wexford y^e 27th [Oct 1713]

Dear Madam

I was obliged to leave Ross so suddenly on Monday to come to y^e Elections at Wexford that I had not time to write: Mr Swiny was one of y^e candidates for this town but M^r Saunders & Meredith carried it by a great Majority. Y^e latter is Mr Savages nephew whom he designes his estate for in this town; I hope I shall agree wth him for w^t remains about Ross. The Knights of y^e shire are M^r Savage & M^r Stopwood. Mr Paul & Col: Jones carried their Election att Ross against Mr Annesly. I stay in town this day to settle wth y^e tenants, & design being in Dublin by y^e latter end of y^e week; we have not heard of y^e Dukes landing yet so that perhaps I may be soon enough to pay my compliments to y^e Duke. Mr Ram of Gory who you know is a great Whig has done so already by chusing S^r John Stanley in his town. If I had thought of it It was in my power to have obliged y^e Duke by electing his Secretary att Ross. It is a great uneasiness to me to wait for so long for a pacquet from England as we have done for these three posts last, I long to hear you have received y^e last hundred pounds I returned over w^{ch} I hope will make you easy I am sure to me it will be an equall satisfaction & pleasure that you are so, I am Dear Madam

Yr most obedient som
J Ivory

My humble duty to my
Grandfather & service where due

No 18a

For the Lady Ivory
att llesworth

near London
Middlesex

Dublin Jan: y^e 2^d [1714]

Dear Madam

I have waited wth impatience y^e pacquets coming att last itt has brought me three from y^r Ladyship & one from my Grandfather. I believe you wonder that I still am in this town indeed I am forced to stay here longer than I Intended or wished, Mr Meredith & I begin our journey on Monday, we shall settle y^e rough draughts att Ross & send it over by post to you to be immediately engrossed w^{ch} I suppose may be done & signed in three or four days you may expect it to leave this place Saturday next & to be wth you by y^e fifteenth & so I hope to have it transmitted hither back again before y^e end of this month, that I may not be delay'd longer of this side of y^e water, I believe you have y^e draught of Jacobs deed wth you I desire that may be engrossed & perfected att y^e same time as also Mr Ogles w^{ch} shall be sent soon I hope you will take care y^r self to inquire out y^e properest & speediest way to send y^e three deeds over, for nothing now stays me here, after I have settled in y^e country, but y^e receiving y^e mony of y^e three last purchasers. I hope I shall finish Edgworths business att y^e same time, y^e Gaurdians are very willing that y^e Creditors in England shall be paid & tell me they will give order for it, they have administered to Cap^t Talbot as well as Edgworth there will be little to do but to state y^e accounts before a Master in Chancery. As to w^t relates to our affairs in England I desire you will advise w^{ch} y^e best Lawyers, whether y^e assignments of y^e mortgages to me will be a sufficient security for y^e mony that is to be paid before [illegible] or w^{ch} other instrument may be thought more secure may be drawn between us. As it is not safe to pay any mony for fear of common accidents, so I desire that you will spare no cost to have this executed wth all speed that my Grandfathers affairs may not receive any detriments. My brother has not been wanting in making all y^e necessary application to every Commissioner to secure their interest, but we find it in vain tho' my S^r Duke has spoken to them to expect that they will break their rules: they have represented to his Grace the inconvenience to them by doing so, that is my Brother insists upon his recommendation they must be forced to state y^e whole matter to my L^d Treasurer & leave it to him. That if he will accept of a meaner employment first, it will be a sure means to obtain a Collection soon & their favour, & that they do not intend to lay aside y^e recommendation. I think it is best to take there advice rather than be idle & have nothing to do, besides I don't expect any thing from my L^d Duke, for indeed he has nothing in his gift. I am D^r Madam y^r most Dutifull

J Ivory

I send you enclosed a bill for fourteen hundred pounds w^{ch} is a 15 days fight, so that all y^e £12000 will be ready to be paid before y^e end of this month.

No 18b

Ross Jan: y^e 9th [1714]

Dear Madam

I left Dublin Monday last & have been so taken up wth Meredith in recuring y^e concerns here that I have not had time to write sooner, not had I before any thing to say. I have received

here already above three thousand pound p^t w^{ch} I hope to transmit from hence by Jo White or some of ... for next post y^e rest I shall remit to my Brother. Mr Ogle has sent over y^e draught of his deed to be engrossed in England to one Mr Trench who is to give you notice wⁿ they are ready to be perfected. We shall settle Mr Merediths next post & send it immediately away. My brother will write more const.... to you from Dublin so I will give you no more trouble now since I have no more business than to assure you that I am most obedient son

J Ivory

My duty to my [illegible]

No 18c

For y^e Lady Ivory
att Ilesworth
near London
Middlesex

Villa Jarge Jan: y^e 18th [1714]

Dear Madam

I received yesterday a pacquet from my brother wth a great many letters from y^r Ladyship but not one to me, by those I find you were under some apprehension of my being att sea in y^e stormy weather I thought I had in some former letters told you that I was obliged to go down into y^e country as well to receive a great deal of mony that was to be paid there as to gather up w^t rents I could & clear wth y^e tenants as well as our receivers. I am here now taking up Tom Ivorys accounts & shall leave this place tomorrow or next day, I have a great sum of mony lying at Ross w^{ch} I hope to return by Jo White or some Waterford merchant; of all y^e post I have had to deal wth Dr Elliot has been y^e most troublesome, he finds that he has but an ill bargain & has tried all manner of ways to break off, by raining scruples & being dilatory in his payment. We shall leave as great an arrear behind us as is ever tho' I believe all y^e tenants by y^e new leases will I believe clear Michs rent. The old arrears indeed I despair off, I shall leave directions to Mr Hatton to prosecute those where there is any likelihood of success. I shall leave Ross on Monday for Dublin where I hope my stars may be short. If I can prevail on Mr Meredith to pay me there I shall not wait for his deeds. I sent Mr Merediths draught over last week there is a mistake in y^e q^t Rent it must be made seven pound fourteen shill. and sixpence. In that of Mr Ogles I had like to have committed another & that is sold Mr Welmans farm to him by y^e name of 85^{acr} in p^t of Scart, & 102^{acr} in Temonine, you may remember we were always pussel'd about that, we thought both denominations belonged to Temonine: we find y^e contrary now y^e q^t rent of Temonine is but fourteen shil: & two pence w^{ch} I desire may be so altered in y^e deeds & y^e denomination of p^t of Scart left out, and only my p^t of Temonine be mentioned to be conveyed. Y^e pen and Ink is so bad here that I am asshamed to scribble any more that that I am Dear Madam

A most dutiful son

J Ivory

No 19

These for
Mr Gilbert Talbott

Ja:... 20th

Deare Unckle

I received by y^e last Post, a letter from my Mother, & another from my Grandfather, by both which they give me to understand, there is now noe other obstacle to her admittance at Court, & kissing the Queens hands, but the promise her Maiesty hath made to the Talbots, not to receive her into favour, without their consents: wherefore, they urge me to write to my Lord Islington in her behalf (who has been a frind as they tell me, to the disposing her affaires in the favourable condition they now stand in), & to you, to concurre with me, in facilitating this business by ioyning your request to myne. As your age & experience in the world dose best inable you to iudge, what is fittest to be done in these circumstances, we desire your advice, & resolution: without who I shall be unwilling to act alone, in a business, which is the publick concerne of our family. I have writ to my Unckle Thomas Talbott, not only to the same sense, but almost in the same words, you may advise together, & be pleased to hasten your answer, with all possible speed, & returne it up to S^r John Talbott, to be sent to

Dear Unckle

Your affectionate nephew

& humble servant

Shrewsbury

No 20

For

Y Lady Ivory

att Ilesworth near

London

Middlesex

Dublin Jan: y^e 30th [1714]

Desar Madam

I came to town yesterday, where I had y^e satisfaction of meeting a large pacquets of letters from y^r Ladyship wth two very kind ones from my Grandfather. I find by a letter of M^r Pigot you came to hear of y^e accident of my finger, it was as troublesome as so small a thing could be, & if you remember was y^e occasion of my staying so long in town, & a hindrance to my writing to Ilesworth for several posts. When I came to Dublin I found my brother a perfect man of Business wedded to his new employment, every body commends his diligence, as well as his readiness of dispatch. Last week I sent you two bills from Ross for £500 each. w^{ch}. I hope you have rec.^d you have here enclosed some of Henrys for £1100, of Fagans of Waterford on Madam Lonquet she is to be heard off or change for £500, of Whites on Jenkins for y^e like sums and one of Cap^t. Suttons on M^r Henry Cairnes for £100. M Clo. was wth me this day he tells me that we and Edgworth had a hearing before L^d. Chancellor Thursday last, who says I ought to be indemnified since I am so Just to pay such a debt, y^e account is to be referred to a master in Chancery on Wensday or Thursday next to be stated; & upon that settlement a final decree is to be given. I am very glad that I shall see this affair finished before I go: w^{ch} will not be long after I receive Mr Merediths deed at Mr

Jacobs. There is a mistake in Ogles w^{ch} if not rectified in England (I think I writ you word w^t it was/will perhaps make me brake off wth him, but if I should I have a nother chapman for it. His Lady is brought to bed of a son. I am Dear Madam y^{rs} most dutifully

J Ivory

My humble duty to S^r John
& service where due

No 21

For Mrs Barbara
Ivory att S^r John Talbots
in Ilesworth near
London
Middlesex

Febr: y^e 4th 1713 [1714]

Dear Sister

I have so many excuses to make for my being so negligent in omitting to thank you for your entertaining letters, that I am quite ashamed now to attempt att any, the y^e longer I deffer doing so, y^e more I must depend on y^r goodness to pardon me. I wait impatiently y^e pacquets coming in wth M^r Meredith & Jacobs deeds, as for M^r Ogles my mother may be assured It shall not be y^e occasion of one moments hindrance to my Journey. I shall take care however to settle it wth him before I go. I have been this night wth Mr Edgworth & Darby in order to settle the accounts w^{ch} are to be reported by a Master in Chancery to y^e court to have them confirmed, we find little difficulty in it except w^t arises from ye payme^t of interest on Milton Lassels & Brightmans bonds w^{ch} is not so clear. Y^e gaurdians are to give me an order to pay them in England. I send my Mother a bill enclosed for £430 as to w^t she writes me word of y^e demand that y^e person makes of y^e interest to Lady day next I can't but think it very unreasonable, I am sure it is very Just and according to y^e articles that I should be allowed interest from y^e time of payment of mony, it is all we have to live on. But I am of opinion wth her that we should not differ for so small a matter but that I leave intirely to her. L^d Anglesy left Dublin this day in Cap^t Shorters ship for England, I was sorry I was not ready to go wth him, he was so civill as to offer to stay a day or two for me. We are to have great doing, next Saturday w^{ch} I shall send you an account off

I am yr Sister

Most affect yrs
J Ivory

For the Hon^{ble} S^r John
Talbot att Ilesworth
Near London
Middlesex

Dublin Feby 11th [1714]

Dear S^r

It was not for want of respect or duty to you, that made me neglect so long returning you thanks for y^r two kind letters but y^e winds have continued so contrary for these ten days past, that we neither have pacquets from England or boats of this side to carry any from hence, but tomorrow a Merchant Ship is to carry off those that are due. I expect wth impatience y^e change of y^e wind to bring over y^e deeds, that I may no longer be kept on this side; I have I thank God finished all my business wth success beyond my expectation, on Monday next y^e decree in Chancery to indemnifie me for payment of y^e mony to Edgworths children will be confirmed. My Brother is well pleased wth his new employment and I y^e more so since it will keep him from idliness. I can't pretend to entertain you wth any news from this place, or make a suitable return for those kind expresssions you were pleased to use in y^r last letter to me, I shall only beg leave to assure you this, that my actions shall ever deserve the same good esteem from you, who am

Dear S^r
Y^r most dutifull
Most obedient son
J Ivory

My Brother desires me to give his humble duty to you
I beg ye same to my Mother

Tree drawn on document 10

1573

Sherrington Talbot
of Lacock Salwarpe

