

Torrington 28th Sept 1832

My dear Sir

I took the liberty of addressing you a letter in July regarding a Curator to replace my late brother - but I have reason to believe that you did not interfere in the appointment of his Successor. About the time of this appointment an agent arrived from England with full powers from Major & Mrs Plenderhath to settle finally all their affairs in this country by sale or otherwise. For this purpose I accompanied the agent (Mr. Bally Egan) to Monmouth about the 10th or 12th inst. - and I wished greatly for an opportunity to introduce him to you - but you happened to be so much engaged that I did not like to intrude.

The Successory of Torrington of late years has not been productive - and scarcely any remittances have been made since it went out of my hands in 1824 - the

Receipts and disbursements of it - having
generally balanced only one another - con-
sequently the arrears of Annually due
at present amounts to an immense sum.
The Disbursement made by me in 1718
are still due with the Interest ^{which}
The Disbursements made by Mr
Lloyd for improvements in New Glasgow
may altogether form a Debt of nearly
£20,000 due by the Supremacy.

This property notwithstanding its
great name has kept all those connected
with it in hot water ever since the
purchase of it by Mr. M^r T^hurish in
1802. From the change of the times
and of Circumstances it will require
now a days great talents and
no small Capital to make it
produce an adequate Revenue. There-
fore in my humble opinion the

Sooner it will be disposed of the better for
all parties.

The Interest of the said is desirous and
it is the wish of the Mayor & his Lady
to arrange all matters amicably in
order to avoid further litigation.

For this purpose they could not
have chosen a fitter person than
Mr. Bulley who appears to be
a gentleman of business and of general
information.

I hope you will be inclined to
excuse this brief address when you
will reflect on the days of old and
consider that you are the only connection
of the family now alive in this Country
that I could address on the subject
who was so interested in it. Besides
I am sensible that matters from your
connection with them can not well
come before you in your official
Capacity

From the sudden and unexpected death
of H. M. K. the accounts of the Treasury
were not completely made up at
his decease but those who have his
affairs in charge are now occupied
in preparing and presenting them
for delivery and I make no doubt
but they will be found correct -
The discrepancy could not be
owing to him but to other causes
beyond his control -

I have the honor to be
my dear Sir

Your faithful serv^t
Robt. M. Kerr

Robert M. Kerr
American
Insurance Co
Boston

Dublin 30th Nov. 1832

My dear Sir

The last ship for England this season is to sail tomorrow and this letter is meant to go by it. I left Tercebone on the 12th to attend my duties here. The Lisbon opened on the 15th - it promises to be a long one - but my intention should circumstances permit, is to be in Montreal on the 17th Dec^r for the sale of the Supremacy of Tercebone. My last letter to you was on the death of my brother - and was to write you again on the appointment of a successor to him - which only took place on the eve of Mr. Bullen's arrival and as Mr. Bullen had access to all the information I possessed regarding your affairs I entrusted to him for conveying it to you - for I did not wish to trouble you with a repetition of unpleasant occurrences. The sale which Mr. S. Sewell had offered you in his letter of Dec^r last year could be effected at a moment's warning at any period has taken as you see nearly a twelve month in consequence of the opposition which he thought advisable to make and which he and his friends thought advisable to continue as long as they could. I am assure you the delay was entirely my doings - To convince you of the contrary I have procured an authentic copy of the last judgment - which being too bulky to forward I shall only take an Extract from it which is as follows. "It is ordered on the notice of Mr. Griffin of Counsel for the said William Smith Ploverleath and Margaret Chabouley his wife Plaintiffs and opposants in the said Cause N^o 1297 & in the said Cause N^o 1797 that they be and they are hereby permitted to discontinue their opposition in these causes filed without costs. and there upon that a writ venditioni

Exponas do issue on the said cause n^o 1737 wherein they
are plaintiffs commanding the Sheriff of this District, after
three advertisements &c. — to proceed de novo to the
sale and adjudication of the several lands and tenements
by him heretofore seized" &c. &c.

By this Extract you will perceive that I had no hand
in the opposition to the Sale of the Supremacy which was
to take place in January last. And Mr Bulley
no doubt has informed you from his own experience
during two months vexatious procrastinations that no
blame for your disappointments in the present instance
can attach to me in any shape. The opposition
was both irregular and illegal therefore the Court
could never sanction it. So that the Sale in
question should never take place if left to the
discretion of your Law agents.

I had the pleasure of addressing my
affectionate fair friend Mrs. P. on these affairs last
month. which I hope she will duly receive &
have been favored with the following letters from
2^d & 29th Jan^y 29th March 7th & 20th April. 6th & 28th May
5th June. 4th & 13th Aug^t. I need not assure you
that I feel under many obligations to you for the

parcels of news papers I received
from you at different times, and I would
willingly have returned the compliments
were I not aware that the News papers
from here are filed in your Reading
Rooms.

The Surveyor General Mr. Bouchell
is here - his bed room next to mine - He
complains of Government and of all heath
yet he looks pretty well - My family en-
joy health. I don't see your contributions here
very day. but they never speak of
your concerns to me. Please assure Mrs
Plenderhath of my affectionate wishes
and believe me ever dear Sir to be most
sincerely yours - Robt W. Lowrie

Mayer W. J. Plenderhath Govr
Genl of the Palmyra & Queen
London.

Dev. of the foregoing letter is a copy. The men of the
last ships that sailed from here. could not prevent
some an excited and others remain in the River
I cannot discover if there will be many bedders
for the Regency. I dined last Evening at the
Castle with the Gr. at men of the Land -
Then a friend informed me that there were
two present who desired to become Bedders
but he could not give me their names - his
communication having been ^{obtained} on confidence
A. M. H.

To Mr. M. M. M. M. M.
30th Nov 1832

Yours Desjardins

London 20th Dec^r 1832

My dear Mrs. Underbark

My last address to you was from Turbome on the 30th Oct. I had Mr. Major from him on the 30th Nov. - which letter I hope will duly be received. My present object is to inform you that on the 17th instant the sale of the Turbome Sugnory as a used took place. of which Alexander speaks as follows "the Sugnory has this moment been adjudged to Mr. Mason for no less than £25150 which all consider over its real value - the Curator has put opposition to the Sale of the property in the country." Mr. Monro of the same date says "the Sugnory has been adjudged to Mr. Joseph Mason of the Firm of Robinson Mason & Roper Esq of this City for £25150. I am told Mr. Bulley by Alexander Colonel Douglass by Mr. Simpson and Mr. Mason were the contending Bidders. and I hear much is due to Alexander's coolness and judicious bids. It is looked upon here as an excellent sale." It is reported from other quarters that Colonel Douglass extended his offers to £24500 Mr. Bulley to £25100. The amount paid for it by the late Mr. M. Savish nearly years since. which Mr. Mason having exceeded £500 carried the day - and this is all I knew a few weeks ago at present. No doubt your good friend Mr. Bulley has by this time sent the Major the whole history of it. If the Sugnory had fallen to you according to ^{my recommendation} our wishes would be should the Major decline to Superintend it personally, to dispose of it as soon as possible for a higher sum which might be obtained by making the terms of payment more convenient

than in the present instance which is understood to be cash down.

I entertained some hopes that in the event of possessing that fine property - the finest in Canada - it would encourage you and the Major to come and reside upon it in order to enjoy comforts and ease for the rest of your days - But I have reason to fear that less of such suggestions & invitations ^{from me} on that score would please you more - Yet I find it next to impossible to remain silent on so engaging a subject. This letter like your own - is rather short - for which my next will make amends - But I depend upon our friend Mr. Bulley who resides in the Spot for particulars - I hear often from Lovelace & all well there - as well as here - with the offers of my best wishes for you the Major & yourself believe me my dear sister ever affectionately yours - R. M. C. W. C.

P.S. My said intention was to be present at the Sale of the Lottery - but the weather, bad roads, indolence, and an obligation to return to this Port prevented me - It may be that matters would better or without my presence - I was full anxious about the proceeds which are to remain on the possession of the Sheriff until the Tally Term - and the opinion of legal advisers - Qui a Toro a querra - is a true saying - R. M. C. W. C.

Dec 22. This moment I received a letter of the 20th from Alex^r
on which he says - "My last bid at Mr. Bulley's request was -
£25,140. And under existing circumstances we did not think it
prudent to exceed that sum. Knowing a further amount of at
least £5000 would be indispensable so long for repairs, I may
say rebuilding the Dams, mills &c. Then taking in consideration
the purchase of Isle crops - which may perhaps be run
up to nearly £1500. The Debt to be paid on one part
of the Estate equal at least to £1000 &c. all which
will come to a large sum - and above all our liability
in becoming security for the difference between our joint
claims and the amount for which the Estate was sold -
Mr. Griffin advised to Mr. Bulley was not exceed
£23000. Mr. Walker's objections to this both were to bid as
high as £25000 - which I did - and £140 over our mark.

For my own part I feel perfectly satisfied with the transaction
and desirous to congratulate you and the Major on your narrow
escape from so heavy an encumbrance as the Estate of Torrington
at so high a value as above stated - particularly in such
disadvantageous times as the present - Again the Major & I
we shall attend to your interest and of my best wishes for you
both. - R. M. C.

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Mrs Plunderleather
22^d Decr 1832
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Sale of Seignory
17 Dec 1832 to my
father for £25,150/9
Mr Bentley for Mr Drayton
woud cost £24,450/9
Mr Bulley for Plunder-
leath. to 25,140. the
only bidder.
£25,100/9 was the an-
nouncement by Mr Ga-
vish in 1802

London 16th Jan 1833

My dear Sir

It is full time that I should acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed letter of the 24th Dec. which I would have done sooner had circumstances required it. I feel sorry to learn from friends that there is an appearance of opposition against the regular application of the money from the late sale. It was my wish always to have it so that our claims were absolutely preserved without being for the expense of the annuities and for improvements. and I hope they will turn out so when the question shall be tried. The annuities of the money in the quarter past at least a disclaim from me that I have not ventured on consulting them - abating Mr. C. and he would give me no opinion on the subject. It appears to me that the Supreme Court considering all circumstances has been well sold - perhaps through better than if I had been present. Now it was through mere accident - on the part of the merchant that Mr. Stophen became the purchaser. which I do not say in reflection he regrets - I am glad it did not fall into the hands of the Mayor or of Col. St. V. Doubtless because if they could not reside personally upon it they would undoubtedly find it a costly concern - which I mentioned in my late letter both to Messrs. Mr. P. and Mr. B. - The general impression was before the sale that the Supreme would be under £20th so that if it has exceeded that boundary we may thank good management for it.

I have addressed several letters since my arrival here to Messrs. P. & B. on the subject and I have reason to expect that they will be satisfied with our endeavours to secure them at any

rule it is certain from previous my management
at the post office in 1829 that we could not do better
after the following business is concluded from
England. I hope that Mr. Trotter has been paid
in ~~the~~ a way to do justice to his charge. I
was displeas'd of the numerous documents in the
post exchange it was owing to our expulsi'on of
the deepness falling in the receipt to your manage-
ment. At present I think it best to stop
for an all to write - in order to get through
the business with as little delay as possible. My earnest
wish is to be with you as soon as I can - which
please say to Alexander I remain very dear
Yours most sincerely
R. M. S.

To Bully Bay

Nov 14th Henry's

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Bulley

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