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Preface

Creation of catalogue

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Introduction

Collection title: Wharton papers

Reference code: GB-0033-WHA

Dates of creation: 1702-1858

Extent: 10 boxes (c. 900 items)

Repository: Durham University Library, Archives and Special Collections

Creator: papers (Diaries, Correspondence, etc.) of the Revd. Robert Wharton 1751-1808, his children and other relatives.

Language of material: English

Contents

Papers belonging to the Revd. Robert Wharton (1751-1808) and his children. It consists of the personal correspondence of the Revd. Robert with family and friends from 1762 to his death in 1808, the correspondence of his children - mainly between themselves, some diaries and account books, and miscellaneous items of family interest relating to the Whartons of Old Park near Whitworth, and the Middletons of Offerton, both in the county of Durham, in the eighteenth century. In subject matter the collection is wide ranging, but it is most notable for the substantial quantity of correspondence describing the continental travels of Robert Wharton and his friend Thomas Brand.

Among the more interesting items in the early part of the collection are George Wharton's letters to his father in Durham (Nos. 8-33), written while he was studying medicine in Cambridge and London between 1706 and 1712. They contain detailed accounts from his tutor and the costs of taking his bachelor's degree, as well as information about his studies and activities. Another significant item of the same period is a letter (No. 24A) from Richard Bentley, Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, to William Lloyd, Bishop of Worcester, concerning chronological problems arising from his edition of Horace; this letter has been printed with notes by A.I. Doyle, *Durham Philobiblon* vol. 1, pp 56-57.

The correspondence between Wharton and Brand, which consists of approximately 570 letters written between 1773 and 1808, is a rich source of information on a wide range of topics. Brand's experiences abroad naturally attract the most attention, but the letters also reflect the cultural and intellectual life of the times with comments on Cambridge friends and acquaintances, ecclesiastical politics, public affairs, the French revolution and the wars which followed, as well as containing personal and domestic news of the Wharton and Brand families.

The final parts of this collection consist of approximately 120 items concerning the Revd. Robert Wharton's five children. The three boys, William Lloyd (1789-1867), John Thomas (1795-1871), and Robert (1801-49), all attained positions of distinction in Yorkshire and Durham. In contrast the two girls, Anne Elizabeth (1788-1851) and Catherine (1791-1862) were compelled to live quietly after their early years as Catherine was a chronic invalid, suffering from headaches, nausea and possibly agoraphobia. Most of the letters were written to William by his mother, brothers and sisters from 1824 onwards. By this time, sixteen years after their father's death, the family had settled in Aberford near Leeds, but William was married and living in Durham. In 1828 the women moved to Oakley, near Bromley in Kent, so that Catherine could receive treatment from a Dr. Scott. The letters contain family news, reports on the state of Catherine's health, references to the professional and business interests of the three brothers, William's purchase of Dryburn Lodge and the construction of an ice pit and lake in the grounds. In addition to these items of family interest there are some letters from William's brother-in-law, J.H. Jacob (Harry), which include a

description of preparations for an election in Morpeth in July 1828, and others concerning the adoption of Lord Adolphus Vane as Conservative candidate for Durham 1852-53. The last major item in the collection is a journal kept by John's wife Mary Jacob, sister to William's wife Fanny. This is a very personal document. As well as keeping an intermittent record of her activities and family events she used it to express her feelings and moods, reflecting on her conduct towards her children, her loneliness during John's frequent absences, and her reactions to war in the Crimea and India.

The Wharton family and their associates

The Whartons were related to the Middletons of Offerton through the marriage of George's younger brother Robert to Mary Middleton, sister of Francis Middleton, in 1715. The most interesting parts of the Middleton papers however, are the letters to Miss Raine, a grand-daughter of Mary Middleton's sister, written by the Revd. Robert Wharton and his mother, which contain comments on Durham gossip, information about his life in Cambridge and, much later, in Siggleshorpe. Pedigrees of both families can be found in Robert Surtees *History of Durham*, I, 195 (Middletons) and III, 300 (Whartons). An amalgamated pedigree based on the foregoing and supplemented by information from family and other documents follows:

It is the papers of the Revd. Robert Wharton, however, which form the bulk of this collection. He was the only child of Richard Wharton, one of the younger sons of the above mentioned Robert. Richard took over his father's business as a woollen draper in Durham City while his elder brother Thomas, a doctor who practised in both Durham and London, inherited Old Park. Richard's wife was Ann Lloyd, a grand-daughter of the Bishop of Worcester mentioned above. Robert Wharton was still at Eton when his father died in 1764 and he was placed under the guardianship of his two uncles, Doctor Thomas Wharton and his mother's brother Thomas Lloyd a London lawyer. After some hesitation he decided on the church rather than the law as a career and went to Pembroke College in Cambridge. He took his B.A. in 1773, winning one of the Chancellor's medals for languages, and returned to Cambridge for another three or four terms to complete the studies prescribed for the M.A. The earliest he could take his M.A. was 1776 and so he decided to use the intervening period by going abroad to perfect his French. He left England in February 1775, travelling alone, with the intention of spending some time in Paris and Dijon and then making a tour of the south of France, partly in order to transact some business for his uncle Lloyd. In the event, however, he met the young Lord Powis, travelling with his tutor, who persuaded him to seek the permission of his guardians to extend his tour to Rome, where he spent the winter of 1775-76 and returned home through Venice, Innsbruck and the German cities, arriving back just in time to receive his M.A. at the Commencement in Cambridge in July 1776.

While he was abroad Robert wrote once a week to his mother and only slightly less frequently to his uncles as well as to his cousins Miss Raine and Miss Mary Lloyd (a daughter of another of his mother's brothers), other relatives and friends. Most of these letters are preserved here either as originals or copies. He wrote mainly about the people he met, their way of life, manners, fashions, transport, entertainments and amusements, religious and civic ceremonies. He comments on differences between the French and English and records conversations with casual acquaintances. His letters convey a vivid picture of the impression made by France on a rather naive young man on his first, and only, trip abroad.

In Italy he had little opportunity for meeting Italians and concentrated on seeing the sights with other English tourists. As the post was less reliable than it had been in France, fewer

letters have survived and we have an incomplete but still interesting picture of his life there. He kept careful accounts throughout his trip as well as notes of all his correspondence and a rudimentary journal (Nos. 89-90) which he used as an aide memoire for his letters.

Immediately after his return to England Wharton turned his mind to his career. Within a year he had been ordained deacon and was serving as curate in Bishop Wearmouth. His first rectory was at Thornton Steward in Bedale in 1780, but he had to wait until his appointment to the more valuable rectory of Sigglesthorpe (alias Silston), in Holderness, north of the Humber, in 1786 before his income was deemed adequate to support a wife and family. On 19 December 1786 he married Sarah Whaley, daughter of the Revd. John Whaley, Rector of Huggate in Yorkshire, whom he had courted unsuccessfully some five years earlier.

In 1787 his Cambridge tutor and friend George Pretyman was appointed Bishop of Lincoln through the influence of his much more famous pupil William Pitt. It was Pretyman's patronage which now enabled Wharton to advance further up the ecclesiastical ladder. He was appointed one of the chaplains to the Bishop and became a prebendary of Lincoln Cathedral in 1788, Archdeacon of Stowe one of the divisions of the Lincoln diocese in 1790, and finally Chancellor of Lincoln Cathedral in 1801, a position he held until his death in 1808.

From the time he left Cambridge until his death Wharton wrote regularly to his friend Thomas Brand whose career took a very different course from his own. Much of both sides of this correspondence has survived and is preserved in this collection. Their friendship grew out of a mutual love for music and their early letters contain many references to concerts and operas, comments on the quality of the performances and their own attempts at music making.

Thomas Brand (1750-1814) was the only son of a merchant in Newmarket. He was ranked 5th Wrangler in his year (1771) and, at the time the correspondence with Wharton begins, he held a number of appointments at Christ's College together with a fellowship. He was ordained priest in 1775. The following year he gave some University lectures and demonstrations for Anthony Shepherd, the Plumian Professor in Astronomy and Experimental Philosophy, and may well have anticipated an academic career. He had no private means however and as he was unable to secure a benefice he was compelled to augment his income by taking private pupils from both in and outside the University. Among the first of these pupils was the young Cornelia Knight, then aged about 16 years, whose family he had known from boyhood.

For some years he coached students from Christ's and other colleges until his first major appointment, about Easter 1778, as tutor to Sir James Hall, heir to the baronetcy of Dunglass in Scotland and ward of Sir John Pringle, President of the Royal Society. Sir James had been admitted to Christ's College the previous Michaelmas and Brand stayed with him for nearly four and a half years until the autumn of 1782. During this time they studied first at Cambridge, then for nearly two years in Geneva and finally for a year at Edinburgh University. Each summer they made extensive tours and excursions visiting Cornwall and the Cornish mines, Holland and Belgium, Switzerland and the Scottish highlands.

This was probably the most satisfying period of Brand's career. He had ample opportunity to develop his own interests in Botany and Chemistry, and he had an apt pupil and enjoyable companion. Sir James was intelligent and energetic with a robust, lavatorial sense of humour, demonstrated in some of the letters he wrote to Robert Wharton which have also survived among this correspondence. He made further tours of the continent and the

Mediterranean, established a reputation as a chemist and geologist, and was eventually appointed President of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

Brand's next two appointments, 1782-84 and 1786-87, were more as travelling companion than as tutor. He toured France, Switzerland and Italy with Sir James Graham of Netherby, and France, Switzerland, Turin, Vienna, central European and German cities with a Mr. Duncombe. Although Sir James Graham was amiable enough he had been poorly educated and preferred to go to bed early rather than accompany Brand to the theatre; while Mr. Duncombe was moody and unpredictable to such an extent that Brand wrote to Wharton in alarm enquiring whether there was any history of insanity in the family and was on the point of leaving his employment.

Brand had spent four terms between these two appointments at Cambridge, which he was coming to find less and less agreeable. His prolonged absences had not enhanced his prospects of advancement either in the University or in the Church. Like Wharton he was to benefit from George Pretyman's patronage, but at a much slower pace. At the time of his return from the tour with Mr. Duncombe at the end of 1787, the only benefice he had received was as Vicar of Croxton, valued at £25 a year, £5 a year less than Wharton had received as curate of Bishop Wearmouth ten years earlier. He therefore decided to accept another long term position as tutor.

His new pupil was Lord Bruce, heir to the Earl of Ailesbury, chancellor to Queen Charlotte. He was about 15 years old, spoilt and pampered. Privately Brand thought he should be at school rather than with a tutor and he was dismayed to discover that he was expected to supervise the boy's leisure activities as well as his studies. When the time came for them to travel abroad, however, he found the experience much more pleasurable than he had anticipated. As tutor to a son of the English aristocracy he moved in a much higher social circle than on previous visits and was presented at foreign courts. Moreover, by this time, he had a considerable number of friends and acquaintances among the English living abroad, notably the two Miss Berrys, Lady Knight and her daughter Cornelia. He encouraged Cornelia to publish her first novel *Dinarbas* in 1790 and it was probably because of his influence with Lord Ailesbury that she dared request and was granted permission to dedicate it to the Queen.

Another of his occupations during this period was as adviser and proof reader for the printer Gianbattista Bodoni of Parma, over the publication of James Thomson's poems "The Seasons" (1794). Photocopies of his letters to Bodoni, supplied by Dr. Fausto Razzetti of the Biblioteca di Parma, have been included as an appendix to this collection (Facs. 2-16).

After Lord Bruce's marriage in May 1793 Brand's rôle changed from that of tutor to one of friend and adviser. He divided his time between Florence and Naples and enjoyed the expatriate life so much that he postponed returning to England on one pretext or another for a further two years.

He eventually returned in 1795 and succeeded in obtaining his first substantial benefice as Rector of Maulden on the Duke of Bedford's estates. His career now followed a more conventional pattern. He was able to discharge his duties as chaplain to George Pretyman and as a prebendary of Lincoln. At last he could give serious consideration to the question of marriage, although it was more than two years before he could summon the courage to ask Wharton's cousin Deborah, one of the daughters of Dr. Thomas Wharton of Old Park, to marry him. In 1799 he exchanged Maulden for the Rectory of Wath near Ripon in Yorkshire, and eventually he succeeded Wharton as Chancellor of Lincoln Cathedral after Wharton's death in 1808.

Based on pedigrees and epitaph of John Lloyd in Robert Surtees *History of Durham*, I 195, II 264 and III 300; supplemented by information from Venn, the wills of George Wharton, Jonathan Wharton and Deborah Brand, and the International Genealogical Index for Durham, London and Worcestershire.

Compiled from information contained in Revd. Robert Wharton's letters, Mary Wharton's journal (No.866), Burke, Kelly, Walford, Venn and *Who was who*.

Accession details

Deposited in the University Library by his great-grand-daughter, Mrs. M. Darwin of the South Bailey in Durham.

It is a matter for speculation as to how the different elements of this collection came together. In the summer of 1801 Brand asked Wharton to return his letters so that he could arrange and revise them, possibly with a view to publication. After his death in 1814 his widow Deborah returned to Durham and took a house in the Bailey near her unmarried sisters who had moved there from Old Park after the death of their father. The old ladies continued living there until well into the 1830's or 40's, with William and his wife keeping an eye on them from the house at Dryburn. William is named as one of the executors of Deborah's will and it is probable that, as their nearest surviving male relative, he performed the same function for her sisters. Thus he could have come into the possession of letters written by his father and the earlier Wharton and Middleton material. William had no children and the papers probably passed to his brother John at Aberford, whose daughter lived there until 1921. It was her niece, Mrs. Darwin, who gave the collection to the University Library at Durham.

Arrangement

The papers have been arranged by family member, and then in chronological order.

Form of citation

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Who was who, 1897-1990.

D.A. Winstanley *Unreformed Cambridge*, 1935.

Related material (internal)

Durham Diocesan Records

Robert Wharton's Ordination Papers, 1777.

Related material (elsewhere)

Public Record Office, London

Probate Records:

Will of George Wharton proved 2 March 1738/39

Will of Jonathan Wharton proved 23 February 1768

Will of Deborah Brand proved 2 April 1841

Cambridge University Library

Add. Mss. 8670: Brand's letters from the continent to his sister Susan

National Library of Scotland

Acc. 10061: more of Brand's letters from the continent to his sister Susan

Earl of Ailesbury's MSS

Brand's comments on Sir James Graham are contained in letters dated 19 January and 12 February 1783, and extracts from his reports to the Earl of Ailesbury have been printed by the Historical Manuscripts Commission (*15th Report* pt. VII).

British Library, London

Add. MS. 35377 ff. 256, 271, 303, 306, 308, 312: Philip Yorke's letters to his uncle Lord Hardwick describing Thomas Brand's lectures and demonstrations, 1776 ; (Parts of ff. 303, and 312 are quoted by D.A. Winstanley, *Unreformed Cambridge* 1935, pp. 150-152).

Add. MS. 22976 ff. 13-116: a considerable number of letters from Wharton to the satirist T.J. Mathias.

Gloucestershire County Record Office

Lloyd Baker Archive (D3549, 22/2/17 and 23/1/33): copies of Wharton's will, and correspondence after his death between his wife, Brand and his other trustees.

The Whartons of Old Park: family papers

WHA.1-54 1702-59, 1802-20

WHA.1-6 27 May 1702 - 30 December 1704

Six receipts in respect of an annuity payable to Dorothy Simpson by her nephew Thomas Wharton according to the will of Dr. Thomas Wharton deceased.

6 items, 1 piece each

WHA.7 3 July 1705

Letter from John Forster in Eppleby to Thomas Wharton at his house in the Low Baly in Durham concerning a dispute over the amount of rent owed by John Atkinson.

On the back:

Account of expenses on a journey through Westmorland, 14-24 July 1705.

Paper 1f.

WHA.8 and 9 20 May - 15 December 1706

Two accounts of expenses incurred by George Wharton (at Cambridge ?).

1 piece each

WHA.10 Postmarked 14 July [1707]

Letter from George Wharton to his father Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, containing news of the arrival of Mrs. Atherton, his health and the curacy near Oxford obtained by his uncle (his mother's youngest brother Jonathan Hall, 1679-1743, Prebend of Durham 1723-43); giving an account of his studies and requesting some books to be sent; with his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 30 June 1707 and a note of method of payment by Thomas Wharton dated 29 August 1707.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.11 26 December 1707

Letter from Thomas Atherton at Christ's College, Cambridge, to Dr. Thomas Wharton at his house in the Old Bailey, Durham, telling of his visit to the West Country with his mother and of matters concerning the sale of part of their estate; with proposal that he should pay 5 guineas towards (George) Wharton's Christmas quarter tutor's bill if Thomas Wharton will pay the same sum to his sister in Durham.

On the back:

Account of annuity payments made to Thomas Wharton's aunt Dorothy Simpson between 1700 and 1707.

Paper 1f.

WHA.12 10 January 1707/08

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to his father concerning his tutor's bill for the quarter ended 19 December 1707.

1 piece.

WHA.13 10 April 1708

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to his father Thomas Wharton in the Low Bailey, Durham, sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 19 March 1708, explaining why it is higher than usual, and announcing his intention of starting a course in Anatomy in May.

Paper 1f.

WHA.14 16 October 1708

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to his father sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 17 September 1708, and complaining that he has received no letter from home for eight weeks.

Paper 1f.

WHA.15 9 November 1708

Letter from Richard Crossing, George Wharton's tutor at Pembroke Hall College, Cambridge, to Thomas Wharton in Durham giving a detailed account of the last quarter's bill, and asking whether the 5 guineas he has received from George is intended as a donation to the organ fund.

Paper 1f.

WHA.16 8 January 1708/09

Letter from George Wharton, at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to his father Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 17 December 1708, commenting on his health and his need for some new clothing; with request that he should be allowed to go to London in the spring or in the vacation believing it to be more advantageous than staying in Cambridge.

Paper 1f.

WHA.17 9 April 1709

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Thomas Wharton sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 18 March 1708/09, commenting on individual items and proposing an arrangement for paying his bills through Mr. Selby, a local coal merchant whose factor is Mr. Rudd of Newcastle.

Paper 1f.

WHA.18 4 July 1709

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 17 June 1709 ; saying that he has bought a suit and needs a new studying gown which he can obtain ready made in Cambridge, and telling of an accident to his leg.

1f

WHA.19 8 October 1709

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 17 September 1709, apologising for the amount which he says is due to the cost of medical treatment for his leg and the need to entertain his countrymen and school acquaintances; assuring him that his only extravagance was the purchase of a periwig.

Paper 1f.

WHA.20 4 January 1709/10

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 16 December 1709 ; informing him that he will be seeing his Professor about the future direction of his studies, pointing out the advantages of taking lodgings with a good apothecary, and detailing arrangements for transferring money to Cambridge through Robert Eden, son of Sir Robert Eden, and Mr. Selby.

Paper 1f.

WHA.21 6 July 1710

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 17 June 1710 ; advising against his (step)mother's project for setting up his younger brother (Robert) in the malt as well as the cloth trade, and proposing another arrangement for the transfer of money to Mr. Selby as Mr. Eden is refusing to assist.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.22 8 October 1710

Letter from George Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, sending his tutor's bill for the quarter ending 16 September 1710, and giving advice on the recovery of money owed by Mr. Wycliffe from his heir or from Mrs. Wycliffe (relatives of Thomas Wharton's second wife Mary?).

Paper 1f.

WHA.23 26 December 1710

Letter from Thomas Wharton to George Wharton expressing concern at the news of his illness, advising him to put aside fashion and wear warm clothing to preserve his health and prevent another attack of rheumatism; with recipes for several medicines.

Paper 1f.

WHA.24 A-C 24 July 1711

Letter from Richard Bentley, Master of Trinity College Cambridge, to William Lloyd, bishop of Worcester (grandfather of Revd. Robert Wharton's mother, Ann Lloyd) discussing problems of chronology arising in the former's edition of Horace. With photocopy and transcript.

Paper 1f. each

Durham Philobiblon vol. 1, pp. 56-57

WHA.25 8 April 1712

Letter from Richard Crossing at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to George Wharton in Well-yard near the Cloysters in Smithfield, London, assuring him that his father has arranged for Mr. Selby to give him his money when he comes to Cambridge, sending his tutor's account and itemising the expenses that will be incurred when he takes his degree, pointing out the amount he will save by paying a set sum to the College instead of giving an entertainment.

Paper 1f.

WHA.26 12 May 1712

Receipt by Richard Crossing to George Wharton for the sum of £7.10s.6d. paid to the College on his behalf instead of an entertainment for his Bachelor of Physic's degree.

Paper 1f.

WHA.27 [20 or 22] May 1712

Letter from George Wharton (in London) to Thomas Wharton in the Low Baily, Durham, describing his graduation as a Bachelor in Physic with an account of his expenses, discussing the arrangements he has made for apprenticing his brother (Thomas) with a Master of the Apoth(ecary's?) Hall in London, and assuring him that he will try to see his uncle.

1f

WHA.28 No date

Richard Crossing's account with George Wharton for the quarter ending 13 June 1712.
1 piece.

WHA.29 16 September [1712]

Letter from George Wharton in London to Thomas Wharton informing him of his attempts to procure the money owed by his uncle, the terms on which his brother (Thomas) has been apprenticed, and that a peace (with France?) is imminent; with an account of his expenses.

Paper 1f.

WHA.30 [7 November 1712]

George Wharton's account, dated by his father Thomas Wharton.

1 piece.

WHA.31 11 November 1712

Letter from George Wharton in London to Thomas Wharton concerning arrangements for paying his allowance, his attempts to contact his uncle P. and the hostility of north country people in London towards the episcopacy; and giving an account of his expenditure on clothes.

Paper 1f.

WHA.32 8 January 1712/13

Letter from George Wharton in London to his father sending his account, discussing the medical treatment given to his brother for an ailment in his legs, giving news of acquaintances, mentioning lectures he has attended which, he says, were cheaper and better performed than in Cambridge, and describing in detail an autopsy he witnessed on a 4 year old boy; with requests for some small items.

Paper 1f.

WHA.33

Medical notes.

Language: Latin

Paper 2ff.

WHA.34 21 February 1714/15

Receipt by Robert Wharton in respect of a bond given to him for safe keeping by his brother George Wharton; the said bond, dated 14 February 1714/15, being conditioned for the payment of £150 by John Teasdaile of the city of Durham, butcher, to George Wharton on 2 May next.

Paper 1f.

WHA.35 [January/February 1715?]

Account of George Wharton's expenditure, including items relating to the settlement of his father's estate.

(Thomas Wharton died December 1714).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.36 17 November 1721

General release and quitclaim by Stephen Ashton of Fathwell, Lincolnshire, clerk (married to George Wharton's sister Mary) to George Wharton of London, doctor of Phisick.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.37 23 May 1722

General release and quitclaim by Thomas Wharton, son of Thomas Wharton late of Durham, doctor in Phisick, deceased, to his brother Doctor George Wharton of London. Paper 2ff.

WHA.38 20 August 1723

Account of the sale of stock in George Wharton's name and belonging to his father-in-law William Petty, settled and agreed by William Petty. Paper 1f.

WHA.39 10 October 1727

Account of Daniel Hunt with the late Dr. Joseph Hunt. Paper 2ff.

WHA.40 21 June 1729

General release and quitclaim by John Carter of Woodward (sic), Essex, gent. (married to George Wharton's sister Jane) to George Wharton of London, doctor of Physick. Endorsed: Mr. Carter's release for my sister Jenny's fortune. Paper 2ff.

WHA.41 12 August 1740

Inventory and weights of the plate belonging to Dr. George Wharton deceased and now in the hands of his widow Mrs. Anna Maria Wharton. Paper 2ff.

WHA.42 No date

"Mr. Etterick's Advertisement": mock advertisement for the sale of "three strapping nymphs, to be sold to the highest bidder at public vendue". (William Ettrick married Catherine Wharton in 1752). 1 piece.

WHA.43 [1752]

Inventory and weights of plate belonging to Robert Wharton, taken soon after his death by (his son Thomas Wharton), Mr. Ettrick and Mr. Leighton. Paper 1f.

WHA.44 17 April 1756

Inventory and weights of plate (belonging to Robert Wharton's widow Mary Wharton) showing which items she intends to give away and which to keep; with notes (added by her son Thomas Wharton?). Paper 1f.

WHA.45 20 May 1756

List of weights of plate given by Robert Wharton's widow Mary to her son Richard Wharton. 1 piece.

WHA.46 [4 June 1756]

List and weights of plate given by Robert Wharton's widow Mary to her daughters (Catherine) Ettrick and (Elizabeth) Lighton, 4 June and 20 May 1756 respectively. 1 piece.

WHA.47 27 June 1756

Letter from Mary Wharton in Gillegat (Gilesgate) to her son the Dr. (Thomas Wharton) concerning the distribution of plate and containing family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.48 16 [September] 1759

Letter from Edward Thompson of Helmsly to Richard Wharton at Durham concerning rents and rights of common in Ripon, with mention of other business matters and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.49 20 September 1759

Letter from Edward Thompson to Richard Wharton telling him the procedure for inclosing fields and commons followed in York, with some family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.50 28 January 1802

Letter from Richard Wharton at Old Park, to Charles Spearman in Thornley concerning Wharton's intentions of standing for Parliament and his chances against different opponents, expressing the hope that the election will make no difference to their private friendship.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.51 24 December 1817

Letter from R[ichard] Wharton, M.P. for the City of Durham, in London to George Andrews, stationers, in Durham, concerning the ownership of the *Durham County Advertiser*, rumours of a contest at the next election, the complaints of his constituents at his long absence, the improvement in his health and his intention of standing again.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.52 27 January 1818

Letter from Richard Wharton in London to George Andrews in Sadler Street, Durham, discussing the forthcoming election, the creation of new freemen, his supporters and likely opponents and the pressures brought to bear on him by freemen wanting military pensions or work; with instruction that the letter should be burnt.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.53 6 March 1818

Letter from Richard Wharton in London to George Andrews in Durham concerning the canvassing of supporters for the forthcoming election.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.54 1 May 1820

Letter from Richard Wharton in London to George Andrews in Sadler Street concerning the decline in his support and his intention to go abroad for the sake of his health.

Paper 2ff.

The Middletons of Offerton and Miss Raine: family papers (excluding Revd. Robert Wharton's letters to Miss Raine from France and Italy)

WHA.55-87 1719-89

WHA.55 1719

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Paper 2ff.

WHA.56 [1731]

Inventory of furniture "which Brother Middle (Francis Middleton) has for his life and remov'd from the house in the Market Place to Offerton, and at his death to be divided betwixt Mrs. Heron, Mr. Lambton and Mr. Wharton" (Francis Middleton's sisters Catherine, Joan and Mary were married to Cuthbert Heron, Nicholas Lambton and Robert Wharton respectively).

Compiled on the death of their mother Catherine, widow of Richard Middleton, in 1731?

Paper 2ff.

WHA.57 30 September 1735

Letter from M. [Margaret] Baker of Elemore to her kinswoman (Mrs. Middleton?) apologising for being prevented by illness from calling on her with cousin Wharton.

Paper 1f.

WHA.58 31 May 1741

Letter from Miss or Mrs. A. Nicholson, Rainton, to Mrs. Middleton concerning the pattern of a quilt, thanking her for some presents and asking whether blue and white china is still in fashion; with mention of Miss Heron (afterwards wife of Bend Raine and mother of Miss Raine).

Paper 1f.

WHA.59 14 August 1749

Letter from Francis Myddleton in Scarbrough to his wife "Bett" at Offerton containing information for Dr. (Thomas) Wharton's friend about the likely success of suitors of the elder Miss Clennell; with mention of "poor" Jonathan's illness.

2ff., damaged

WHA.60 Saturday, 15 August

Letter from Francis Myddleton at Staithes to his wife Mrs. Myddleton at Offerton saying he has arrived safely and is uncertain whether he will be going on to Scarborough.

Possible years: 1730, 1741, 1752, 1761.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.61 17 June 1769

Letter from B. Hodgkin, Grey's Inn (to Thomas Gyll) concerning damage to the cliff face (at Hendon?) alleged to have been caused by one of his tenants, and claiming that on the contrary his land has suffered damage and buildings have been washed away by the sea because Mr. Middleton permitted the rocks to be cut and carried away.

Paper 1f.

WHA.62 22 June 1769

Letter from Thomas Gyll to Mrs. Myddleton forwarding the above letter from B. Hodgkin.

Paper 1f.

WHA.63 8 March 1773

Letter from Robert Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's in Claypath, Durham, chiding her for addressing him as "Sir" in her last letter and commenting on the entertainments in Durham made more lively by the arrival of the officers of the army.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.64 2 June 1773

Letter from Robert Wharton, Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Miss Raine at Mrs Myddleton's, at Offerton near Sunderland, saying that he will be returning to Durham via Oxford in the company of Bob Hopper.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.65 7 December 1773

Letter from Robert Wharton, Pembroke Hall, to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's in Claypath, Durham, commenting on the news of friends and entertainments in Durham contained in her last letter, telling her of his weekly music parties and mentioning George Pretyman.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.66 31 December 1773

Letter from Robert Wharton in York to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham, commenting on her news of Durham, Pretyman's amusement at Spearman's misfortunes and his journey from Cambridge to York where he is keeping Christmas.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.67 9 February 1774

Letter from Robert Wharton, Pembroke Hall, to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham, describing the assemblies, theatre and concerts in York during his stay there.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.68 9 March [1774] (endorsed incorrectly 1775)

Letter from Robert Wharton at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham, reflecting on his idleness as a correspondent, giving news of forthcoming marriages, expressing pleasure that the playhouse in Durham is well attended and enquiring about concerts in Durham; with mention of his own music making twice a week, in a group of seven or eight players, and George Pretyman.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.69 2 April 1774

Letter from Robert Wharton, Pembroke Hall to Miss Raine, at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham, commenting on the news of friends in Durham and the death of the Dean (Spencer Cowper D.D. died 25 March 1774); with mention of Mr. Pretyman.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.70 22 April 1774

Letter from Robert Wharton, Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Miss Raine, at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham, containing news of friends including Shipperdson, Hopper and Mr. Boots; with comments on the ingratitude of the people of Durham who have apparently already stopped mourning the late Dean of Durham (Spencer Cowper).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.71 31 May 1774

Letter from Robert Wharton, Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, to Miss Raine, at Mrs. Myddleton's, Offerton, telling her of trips to Bury and Ely and his plans for sightseeing on the return journey to Durham; with a description of a "battle" between gownsmen and the militia in the market place at Cambridge.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.72 14 September 1774

Letter from Robert Wharton (in Monmouth) to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's at Offerton apologising for not having written on his Welsh tour and giving an account of the ascent of Snowdon.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.73 4 January 1775

Letter from Robert Wharton at Boswell Court (London) to Miss Raine, at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham, describing his journey from York, discussing plans for his forthcoming travels, giving news of friends and asking many questions about people and events in Durham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.74 9 February 1775

Letter from Robert Wharton at Boswell Court (London) to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's in Claypath, Durham, discussing news about several friends and relatives, with mention of a performance at the opera by Bastardini and an earthquake scare in London.

Paper 2ff.

[For 5 later letters from Robert Wharton to Miss Raine, written from France or Italy, see 111, 127, 146, 156 and 158]

WHA.75 24 August 1783

Letter from Ann Wharton in Thornton Steward to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's at Offerton informing her of her safe arrival; with news of friends and family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.76 27 June 1785

Letter from Ann Wharton in Durham to Miss Raine containing news of friends and family including the impending marriage between Catherine Wharton and Anthony Salvin and the death of her sister Baker.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.77 17 July 1785

Letter from Jane Hartley to her friend Miss Raine in Offerton concerning Mrs. Myddleton's business affairs; with news of recent social engagements and preparations for a wedding.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.78 19 August 1785

Part of letter (from Ann Wharton) in Thornton Steward to Miss Raine containing news of family and friends, including a reference to "the Bride, Mrs Salvin" (Catherine daughter of Thomas Wharton of Old Park) in Manchester and the conclusion of the trial between Lady Strathmore and Mr. Bowes.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.79 28 May 1786

Letter from Jane Hartley (of Middleton?) to Miss Raine in Offerton containing news of family and friends including Miss Whaley, and urging her to visit them at Middleton.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.80 11 June [1786]

Letter from Ann Wharton at Siggleshorne to Miss Raine in Offerton mainly concerned with the move of the household to Siggleshorne; with news of family and friends.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.81 9 July [1786]

Letter from Ann Wharton in Siggleshorne to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's at Offerton praising their new home where they have received visits from Richard Wharton and Mr. and Mrs. Whaley, mentioning that Robert will be preaching in front of the Archbishop (of York) and containing news of family and friends.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.82 18 November 1787

Letter from L. Kennedy, staying at Workington with her sister, wife of Sir Greg (?) to her cousin (Mrs. Middleton?) describing her summer at Windsor, her sister's health and alterations being made to her sister's house; commenting on the health of Lord North now completely blind with copy of some lines composed at Tunbridge in admiration of the devotion of his daughters.
Paper 3ff.

WHA.83 27 January 1789

Letter from Ann Wharton, York, to Miss Raine at Offerton containing family news with particular mention of Robert Wharton's baby daughter (Ann Elizabeth), commenting on the King's illness, and local gossip concerning Mrs. Maria Bowes and her husband, the conduct and profligacy of Hall Wharton of Skelton Castle, and her neighbour Mrs. Peg. Wharton's move to Thirsk.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.84 3 April 1789

Letter from Robert Wharton in York to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's in Offerton sending condolences on the death of her mother, and commenting on his own recent loss. (His mother, Ann Wharton, died February 1789).
Paper 2ff.

WHA.85 [October 1789]

Letter from (Ralph) Shipperdson, Hall Garth (Durham), to Mr. Kirton in the Market Place, Durham, asking him to convey his regrets to Miss Raine, Dr. Wharton and Mr. Mowbray that he cannot attend the funeral of his "late worthy relation" (Miss Raine's great aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Middleton, daughter of George Shipperdson) on account of his health.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.86 24 October 1789

Letter from Robert Hopper Williamson in Newcastle, to Alderman Kirton and Mr. Patrick in Durham asking them to convey his apologies to Dr. Wharton, Mr. Mowbray and Miss Raine that a business engagement in Newcastle prevents him attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Myddleton.
Paper 2ff.

The Middletons of Offerton and Miss Raine: family papers (excluding Revd. Robert Wharton's letters to Miss Raine from France and Italy)

WHA.87 25 October 1789

Letter from Farrer Wren in Binchester to Dr. Wharton at Offerton saying that his health will not permit him to make the journey from Binchester to Offerton to attend Mrs. Middleton's funeral.

Paper 2ff.

Mrs. Ann Wharton, Revd. and Mrs. Robert Wharton: notebooks, diaries and account books

WHA.88-97

WHA.88

Notebook containing information about properties in Redhall and Furthmoor, Morton, Darlington, Cockerton and North Pastures in the mid-eighteenth century; followed by recipes for wines, cakes and ailments in people and animals.

Note on the flyleaf that the book was found at Aberford House in Yorkshire by Mrs. M. D. Darwin on the death of her aunt Miss M. S. Wharton 11 August 1921.

Small, leather bound notebook 115 p.

WHA.88/1-5

Enclosed with 88.

Notebook containing information on the families of Carr of Cocken and Guy Carleton, Bishop of Bristol 1672-8, and of Chichester 1678-85.

Enclosed: 3 medicinal recipes. Survey of an estate in Darlington belonging to Carleton Carr.

Compiled from deeds and letters probably by Carleton Carr (1700-47) son of Robert Carr of North Biddick by his wife Jane daughter of Bishop Guy Carleton. Carleton Carr's wife Elizabeth was a great aunt of Robert Wharton's wife and left them an inheritance. (see letter from Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand, WHA. 287 dated 3 February 1790. See also pedigree of Carr in Surtees, *History of Durham* I p. 208, and the collection of South Durham Deeds in Durham University Library, Nos. 16-18)

Unbound paper notebook 15p. + 4 pieces

WHA.89 1775

Diary and account book of Robert Wharton on his journey to France, including table comparing English and French money, 15 February - 3 April 1775.

Paper bound notebook (cover damaged) 21 pp.

WHA.90 1775

Diary and account book of Robert Wharton during his tour of France and Italy.

Enclosures: Receipt, 17 February 1775, from J. Emmott for 7 weeks hairdressing; note of books purchased; 2 receipts, 20 April 1775, from M. Desper for one month and three weeks lodging and hairdressing; Bottom of letter from Benjamin Keene, 10 June 1775, giving his address in Paris; 2 lists of items contained in portmanteau and hand luggage from Dijon [August 1775]; Robert Wharton's account with the tailor Boniver, 13 September 1775; Letter from Col. Horace St. Paul, 16 September 1775, in Paris to Robert Wharton in Marseilles thanking him for his offer of service in the places he intends to visit, asking to be remembered to M. Patoun and commenting on Mrs. St. Paul's health; with postscript that he is enclosing Wharton's passport but has received no payments for him; Letter of introduction for Robert Wharton, 11 October 1775, from Philippe Revelli in Marseilles to Signora Madelena Donigaglia Vedova Oietti in Rome.

Small, leather bound notebook 192 pp. +10 pieces

WHA.91 1787

Diary and account book of Revd. Robert Wharton's mother Mrs. Ann Wharton containing some recipes for the treatment of the dropsy and ague and receipts by servants for their wages.

Small, leather bound notebook 154 pp.

WHA.92 1789

Diary and account book of Revd. Robert Wharton's wife Mrs. Sarah Wharton.
Small, leather bound notebook 196 pp.

WHA.93 1794

Diary and account book of Revd. Robert Wharton. Enclosed: Memorandum of expenses.
Small, leather bound notebook 182 p. + 1 piece

WHA.94 1800

Diary and account book of Revd. Robert Wharton.
With enclosures: Letter from J. Willam to Revd. Robert Wharton requesting payment for a set of ivory desert forks purchased by Revd. Mr. Whaley 4 September 1799; Receipt by Joseph Pindar, 29 December 1800, in respect of a bill for £7.16s.6d. paid by Revd. Robert Wharton; Memorandum of Catfoss tithe rents, 1800.
Small, leather bound notebook 182 p. + 3 pieces

WHA.95 1802

Diary and account book of Revd. Robert Wharton. With enclosures: List of fruit trees in the garden at Lincoln; Receipt, 27 September 1802, from William Gazard, smith, for work done; Receipt for taxes due Michaelmas 1802; Receipt, 29 September 1802, from William Ostler in respect of a pair of boots; Receipt, 6 October 1802, from the tailor James Barr for waistcoats; 2 receipts, 10 April and 16 October 1802, in respect of the farm rent for Sigglesthorpe, alias Sigglesthorne, Church due to John Tempest esq. and others; 3 receipts, 2 November 1802, in respect of tithe rents and procurations for Sigglesthorne rectory; Account of Revd. Robert Wharton with Robert Arnot for work done 19 June - 22 December 1802.
Small, leather bound notebook 182 p. + 11 pieces

WHA.96 1804

Diary and account book of Revd. Robert Wharton, including the names and addresses of some London dentists.
Small, leather bound notebook 182 pp.

WHA.97 1804

Wills's Complete Clerical Almanack, containing a few notes and addresses.
Small, leather bound book 88 pp.

Revd. Robert Wharton: letters to his mother from Eton

WHA.98-107 20 March 1762-13 March 1768

10 letters written by Robert Wharton, while at Eton, to his mother: containing news of friends and relatives, his studies, an eclipse, problems with his Dame who has told lies about him and his companion (W. Baker?) to his tutor, an incident involving a mad woman in the chapel and his decision to follow a career in the church as his father wished in preference to the law recommended by his uncle Lloyd.

10 items, some damaged.

Revd. Robert Wharton: letters from France, Italy and Germany (including letters to Miss Raine and Revd. Thomas Brand)

WHA.108-169 1775-76

WHA.108 18 February 1775

Robert Wharton at Calais to his mother at Dr. Bishoprick's, Coney Street, York: giving an account of his journey from Canterbury to Calais and his arrangements for travelling on to Paris; with observations concerning his accommodation and the dress of the people in Calais.

2ff. damaged

WHA.109 26 February 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother at Dr. Bishoprick's in York: describing his journey from Calais including a visit to St. Bertins, his rooms in Paris, meals and way of life, the French attitude to religion and politeness to strangers.

2ff. damaged

WHA.110 26 February 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his uncle Thomas Wharton at Old Park: giving an account of his journey to Paris; with a detailed description of the diligence, his travelling companions and the plays he has attended in Lille and Paris.

2ff. damaged

WHA.111 26 February 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham: giving an account of his journey from London and his impressions of Calais, Lille, Cambray and Paris; commenting on French beds, meals and dress; and giving detailed descriptions of the treasury of the abbey of St. Bertins at St. Omers and the theatre at Lille.

Paper 2ff.

27 February 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.1

WHA.(Copy; see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.2v) 29 February 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his cousin Miss M. Lloyd: describing his new French suit for the theatre; commenting on the streets of Paris, the three theatres, French opera, the buildings and gardens of Paris, the courtesy of the French towards strangers, a performance of *Adelaide de Gueselin* by Voltaire which is almost identical to the English play *Matilda*, and the presence of soldiers to keep order at the theatre.

WHA.112 5 March 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother at Dr. Bishoprick's in York: commenting on the convenience of his new rooms, the cost of living including the amounts he has paid for new clothes and for washing, the popularity of umbrellas, a visit to Gluck's opera *Iphigenie en Aulide* and the absence of any observance of Lent; praising the practice of bathing with a description of the bathing rooms housed in a large boat each having a tub with hot and cold running water.

2ff. damaged

WHA.113 12 March 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother at Dr. Bishoprick's in York: telling her of visits to Colonel St. Paul who has promised to introduce him to a musical family; giving a detailed description of dinner with the ambassador; mentioning an English horse race attended also by the Queen, Monsieur, and the Comte d'Artois; and commenting on some of the churches in Paris.

Paper 2ff.

12 March 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, front flyleaf

WHA.114 17 March [1775]

Robert Wharton in Paris to Thomas Brand at Christ's College Cambridge: commenting on the churches, paintings of the Duc D'Orleans and at the Luxembourg, French opera, the works of Gluck, the comic operas at the Comedie Italienne, the plays at the Comedie Française, and the use of seven serpents to accompany mass at Notre Dame; with an account of his daily routine and progress in the French language.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.115 19 March 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother at Dr. Bishoprick's in York: commenting on news contained in her last letter to him, his growing friendship with Colonel St. Paul and his wife, and the safety of the drinking water; with descriptions of the dress of different professions and ecclesiastics, a sermon at Notre Dame the manner of which "put me in mind of our Methodists", the national costume of Normandy, and visits to picture galleries.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.116 21 March 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to Thomas Wharton and his cousins Peggy, Debby, and Betty at Old Park: commenting on his new rooms, the French preoccupation with eating and the lack of conversation at meal times, his problems in understanding spoken French, the dress of French ladies in particular the way they paint their faces and dress their hair with ostrich feathers, the dancing and music at the opera; with mention of the opera *Julie*, Gluck's adaptation of his own music to French words, and pieces in which Harlequin is the chief character.

Paper 2ff.

24 March 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.4

WHA.117 25 March [1775]

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother at Dr. Bishoprick's in York: commenting on his business dealings with Sir John Eden while in London, his visits to churches and convents with fine pictures, being particularly impressed by the story and picture of Madame de la Valiere a mistress of Louis XIV and the practices of the Carthusians; mentioning his intention of visiting Versailles in the company of a Chevalier de St. Louis and the kindness of the French towards strangers; with descriptions of the Concert Spirituel, grand mass for the Assumption (*sic*), and the organ in the church of St. Roch which was demonstrated to him by M. Balbâtre.

2ff. damaged

WHA.118 31 March 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother in Durham: commenting on news from home and on rumours she has heard about him, describing French fireplaces and bedroom furniture, a dinner at the house of M. Poissonier a physician and councillor of state, the French attitude to small economies such as a device for using candle ends, and his distaste for a manner of greeting in which the lady's hand, neck, chin and cheek were kissed.

2ff. damaged

4 April 1775: see WHA. 167, Letter book I, f.6

WHA.119 9 April 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother in Durham: commenting on matters raised in her last letter, particularly her request for the new fashion in diamond earrings; describing his visit to Versailles including the grounds, buildings, the appearance of the King, Queen and other members of the royal family, their dinner and the carriage in which he travelled between Paris and Versailles; with a postscript praising a concert of music in the Italian style, the quality of the instruments and the attention of the audience.

2ff. damaged

WHA.120 16 April 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his mother in Durham: telling of his intention to move to Dijon in the coming week and of his expectations from living with a genteel French family; describing the spectacles at Vauxhall, the Foire St. Germain with its two theatres and the Passion week parade at Longchamp in the Bois de Boulogne; and expressing his preference for the quiet and silent company of a French audience at a concert.

2ff. damaged

17 April 1775: see WHA. 167, Letter book I, f.8

WHA.121 19 April 1775

Robert Wharton in Paris to his uncle Thomas Wharton and his cousins at Old Park: concerning his future plans, the pictures he has seen, books requested by his uncle, trees and plants which are in leaf, the popular belief that the climate of Paris has changed for the worse over the last seven or eight years and the countryside between Calais and Paris; with mention of his visit to a lady when they both played the harpsichord.

Paper 2ff.

29 April 1775: inserted in WHA. 167, Letter book I, at f.10

WHA.122 1 May 1775

Robert Wharton at Dijon to his mother in Durham: giving an account of his lodgings in Dijon, including mention of a meal of fricasséd frogs, his landlord, fellow lodgers and new acquaintances; with a description of Dijon and the surrounding countryside.

Paper 2ff.

2 May 1775: see WHA. 167, Letter book I, f.10

WHA.123 10 May 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother in Durham describing celebrations and ceremonies surrounding the meeting of the States of Burgundy attended by the Prince Condé.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.124 10 May 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to Thomas Wharton at Old Park: describing the countryside between Paris and Dijon, a fête at the house of M. De Montigny three quarters of a mile outside Dijon, and the French reaction to a treatise by the academician M. De Buffon in which he claimed the world was in existence two or three thousand years before Adam. Paper 2ff.

WHA.125 18 May 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother at Escrick: commenting on news from home, a recent conversation with a lady on the education of girls and the reasons why people change their religion, and the French lack of delicacy in referring to bodily functions in which connection he relates an incident involving a child at the theatre. Paper 2ff.

WHA.126 19 May 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to Thomas Wharton at Old Park: concerning the management of his estates; seeking support for his plans to extend his tour into Italy after the summer; mentioning his studies including lessons in deportment and commenting on the mixture of architectural styles in the churches in Dijon; with a note to his cousin Betty dated 20 May 1775 mentioning a poetry reading at the Academic prize giving. Paper 2ff.

20 May 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.11v

20 May 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.13v

WHA.127 27 May 1775

Robert Wharton at Dijon to Miss Raine in Durham: discussing the nature of French "politesse" and describing a regimental funeral. Paper 2ff.

WHA.128 29 May [1775]

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother at Escrick: assuring her that there will be no difficulties about his ordination, commenting on news from home, the differences between English and French manners in society, his friendship with Lord Powis and his tutor, comparing Dijon with Oxford and complaining of a lack of entertainment except for a concert on Fridays. Paper 2ff.

12 June 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.15

WHA.129 13 June 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to Thomas Wharton at Old Park: thanking him for a copy of a poem on the Chartreuse, commenting on the ignorance of the French about England, describing an exceptionally severe storm, and the rebuilding of the church and buildings of a Carthusian house near Dijon. Paper 2ff.

WHA.130 16 June 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother in Escrick: commenting on the improvement of her fortunes on the death of his aunt at Escrick and discussing the disposal of her estate; informing her that his uncles Lloyd and Wharton both approve his plans for going on to Italy and asking her to advance him £150 or £200 to facilitate these plans and avoid the necessity of waiting until his rents come in at Michaelmas. Paper 2ff.

WHA.131 13 (*sic* 16?) June 1775

Robert Wharton at Dijon to Thomas Wharton at Old Park: informing him of his proposed route to Italy; expressing the opinion that the study of *Esprit des Lois* (by Montesquieu) will be of greater lasting value to him than reading the history of France or the Dukes of Burgundy; assuring him of his intention to continue his studies in Italy and associate with Italian men of letters if possible, but that he does not consider Italian society worth cultivating; with note to his cousins describing the procession for the Feast of the Holy Sacrament.

Paper 2ff.

18 June 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.16v

WHA.132 19 June 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother at Escrick: describing and commenting upon the procession for the feast of the Sacred Host; giving another example of French "cleanliness"; and telling her of his lessons in deportment.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.133 19 June 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to Thomas Brand in Cambridge: saying that he intends spending the winter in Rome and describing the procession and celebrations for the feast of the Sacred Host.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.134 22 June 1775

Ann Wharton at Escrick to her son Robert Wharton: consenting on the advice of his uncles to his proposals to extend his tour, her objections being due to her desire to see him ordained lest he should miss the opportunity of succeeding the rector [of Escrick] "in case he should go off soon as is expected"; discussing her financial affairs including her intention of maintaining a chaise and horses, the disposal of her aunt's possessions; and containing news of family and friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.135 27 June 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother at Escrick: commenting on news from home, informing her that he has transferred the management of his affairs from Barber to Oliver; describing the celebrations in Dijon for the coronation (of Louis XVI), a card party and the way in which the French hold their partners while dancing, with the gentleman's arm round the lady's waist.

Paper 2ff.

29 June 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.19

30 June 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.21

WHA.136 3 July 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother at Escrick: commenting on news from home, describing another card party and dinner with a French family; with news of some friends.

Paper 2ff.

3 July 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.24

WHA.137 10 July 1775

Robert Wharton in Tonnere to his mother at Mrs. Thompson's at Helperby near Boroughbridge: telling of his stay with the Chevalier's relations at Tonnere and his intention of returning to Dijon.

Paper 2ff.

14 July 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.22v

WHA.138 18 July 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother in Durham: telling her about his friends, a French officer with whom he plays violin sonatas, the furnishings and food at Tonnere, children's clothes and the amusements of the lower classes.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.139 18 July 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to Thomas Wharton at Old Park: on matters concerning the management of his affairs at home; thanking him for advice on his literary style and reading; expressing pleasure at the poems he sends; describing some enjoyable evenings flirting with the ladies in Tonnere; with mention of a dispute over rents between the townspeople and the Signeur of Tonnerre and the appearance of the countryside.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.140 24 July 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother in Durham: commenting on news from home with mention of his uncle Lloyd's "narrow escape" from danger; giving news of his friends in Dijon; describing a visit to a convent to see a nun acquainted with Madame O'Gorman, the entertainment at Vauxhall, a card party, another example of French economy, and comparing Dijon and Durham in their fondness for gossip and mustard.

Paper 2ff.

24 July 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.27

28 July 1775: see WHA.167, Letter book I, f.25v

WHA.141 1 August 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother in Durham: concerning the misunderstanding between his mother and uncle regarding the extension of his tour to Italy; and describing a visit to Cîteaux.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.142 7 August 1775

Robert Wharton in Dijon to his mother at Offerton: telling her that he will be happy to leave Dijon as he has been disappointed by a lack of attention and reluctance to introduce him into company; mentioning his hopes of meeting Lord Powis and his tutor M. Patoun at Lyons as well as the son of Madame O'Gorman who is a page in the royal household, and his plans for inviting Pretymann and Brand to Durham the next summer; with a description of the French equivalent of afternoon tea.

Paper 2ff.

14 August 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.1

WHA.143 15 August 1775

Robert Wharton in Geneva to Thomas Wharton at Old Park: describing his journey and travelling companions from Dijon to Chalons, down the Saône to Mâcon, to Bourg en Bresse, and through "wonderfully picturesque valleys" to Geneva; with an account of a sightseeing trip to a bridge over the Rhône.

Paper 2ff.

26 August 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.2

WHA.144 27 August 1775.

Robert Wharton in Lyons to his mother in Durham: giving an account of some enjoyable evenings spent with Lord Powis and M. Patoun at the house of M. Pernon where he played the piano; commenting unfavourably on a performance of *Orfee et Euridice* by Gluck; describing the antics of children playing in the river and preparations for a visit to Lyons by the Princess (Louis XVI's sister Madame Clotilde on her marriage to the Prince of Piedmont eldest son of the King of Sardinia).

Paper 2ff.

27 August 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.4

WHA.145 30 August 1775

Robert Wharton in Lyons to Thomas Brand at Newmarket: describing his journey from Dijon, the romantic appearance of the Swiss valleys and Geneva, his friends and the theatre at Lyons.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.146 31 August 1775

Robert Wharton in Lyons to Miss Raine at Offerton: describing evenings spent with his French friends, his clothes and two French practices he would like to see adopted in England (viz.): frequent bathing and giving each person a separate glass at dinner instead of all drinking from the same cup.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.147 3 September 1775

Robert Wharton in Lyons to his mother in Durham: describing the celebrations for the visit of the Princess (Louis XVI's sister Madame Clotilde).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.148 10 September 1775

Robert Wharton in Lyons to his mother at Offerton: explaining that his departure from Lyons has been delayed because the tailor has not completed his winter clothes; describing the arrival of more royal visitors, an evening with his French friends; and referring her to "Mr. Gray's description of Lyons" for a better account of the town than he could give.

(His uncle Thomas Wharton's friend, the poet Thomas Gray).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.149 15 September 1775

Robert Wharton in Lyons to his uncle Thomas Wharton at Old Park: giving an account of the hospitality he has received in Lyons; reporting in detail some criticisms made on the works of Mr. Gray (viz.: the "Alcaic Ode" and stanza, the "Essay on subjects for painting" and the "Letter to Mr. Palgrave"); and outlining his proposed route to Rome.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.150 18 September 1775

Robert Wharton in Lyons to his mother at Durham: telling her that he has delayed his departure from Lyons in order to be of some assistance to Lord Powys and Mr. Patoun during the latter's illness.

Paper 2ff.

21 September 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.3v

WHA.151 24 September 1775

Robert Wharton in Lyons to his mother at Durham: telling her that Mr. Patoun is at last recovering from his illness, that he will leave Lyons on Friday and that all post (to Italy) must now be franked in advance as it comes via Germany; complaining of the noise of the bells, the insects, and the heat; describing the Alps when seen from a walk down the Rhône recommended by Mr. Gray; and mentioning the lives of the galley slaves at Marseilles.

Paper 2ff.

1 October 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.5

WHA.152 2 October 1775

Robert Wharton in Avignon to his mother in Durham: giving an account of his journey down the Rhône from Lyons, his dislike of Avignon and intention of going on to Marseilles as soon as he can find a suitable merchant ship.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.153 4 October 1775

Robert Wharton at Organ to his uncle Thomas Wharton at Old Park: describing his journey from Avignon "by coach and 4 mules" with comments on the postillions; sending condolences on the loss of Margaret; commenting on the education of Dicky (his cousin Richard) and the proposal that he should learn to play the spinnet; and giving an account of visits to the tomb of Petrarch's Laura and to the home of a French count on business for his uncle Lloyd; continued 7 September (sic) with descriptions of the town of Aix, a concert in Marseilles, a tour round Marseilles including the port, the Bourse, the slaves in the galleys, comments on the weather, the quality of fruit and complaints against the insects.

Paper 2ff.

4 October 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.6v

WHA.154 7 October 1775

Robert Wharton in Marseilles to Miss Raine at Offerton: assuring her that the more he sees of other nations the more he appreciates England, that he has not acquired any foreign mannerisms and that he will procure some rouge for her; with descriptions of the music, dancing and dress of the peasants and "the better kind of people" at a "feast" in one of the quarters of Marseilles; commenting also on the practice of "the nasty Edinburgh custom" which makes "the streets smell horribly in the mornings".

Paper 2ff.

23 October 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.7v

27 October 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.8

8 November 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.9

WHA.155 15 November 1775

Robert Wharton in Rome to Thomas Brand, Christ's College, Cambridge: telling of the opera *Perseo* in Florence, the Medici Venus and other paintings; listing all the places he has visited in Rome, the music he has heard, and the books he is reading.
Paper 2ff.

18 November 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.9v

WHA.156 29 November 1775

Robert Wharton in Rome to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's, Claypath, Durham: complaining that he has received no letters since his arrival in Rome; describing the ceremony at St. Peter's for making a new saint; and praising the magnificence and grandure of Rome.
Paper 2ff.

6 December 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.11v

20 December 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.12v

23 December 1775: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.13v

WHA.157 6 January 1776

Robert Wharton in Rome to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: giving an account of the theatres, operas, music and singers in Rome.
Paper 2ff.

24 January 1776: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.14v

6 February 1776: see WHA.168, Letter book II, f.16

22 February 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.3

26 February 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.5

7 March 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.7

WHA.158 20 March 1776

Letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's in Durham: commenting on the talent of his friends and relatives in Durham for gossip and invention; expressing regret at having to leave Rome; and describing the dress of its inhabitants.
Paper 2ff.

26 March 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.8v

3 April 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.11

5 April 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.9v

10 April 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.13v

18 April 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.12

WHA.159 [18 April 1776]

Part of letter (WHA.169, f.12) from Robert Wharton at Rome to Thomas Lloyd at 15 St. James Street, Bedford Row, London.
Paper 1f.

WHA.160

Notes on architectural styles.

Notebook 11 pp.

WHA.161

Notes on Italian painters.

1f. folded.

WHA.162

Notes on the forum in Rome.

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WHA.163

Notes on places visited by Robert Wharton in Bologna (4-6 May 1776).

Paper 2ff.

4 May 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f. 14v

10 May 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f. 15v

17 May 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.16

WHA.164 3 June 1776

Robert Wharton in Ulm, Suabia, to Thomas Lloyd at 15 St. James Street, Bedford Row, London: giving an account of his journey from Venice via Verona, the Adige Valley, Innsbruck and Augsburg.

See also copy in WHA.169, Letter book III, f.17.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.165 10 June 1776

Robert Wharton at Strasbourg to Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton at Boswell Court, Carey Street, London: commenting on the projects of the Prince of Würtemberg; describing the palaces of the Prince of Durlach-Baden at Durlach, Carlsruh and Rastadt, and the church tower at Strasbourg; with some disparaging remarks on the musical farce seen at the Comedie the previous night.

See also copy of a few lines of the letter in WHA.169, Letter book III, f.18v.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.166 15 June 1776

Robert Wharton in Paris to Miss Raine at Mrs. Myddleton's, Offerton: giving an account of his journey and travelling companions in the diligence from Strasbourg; with description of Nancy, the capital of Lorraine.

Paper 2ff.

15 June 1776: see WHA.169, Letter book III, f.17v

WHA.167-9 February 1775 - June 1776

Three notebooks containing copies of 47 letters from Robert Wharton while abroad to his relatives in London:

his aunt Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton in Boswell Court, Carey Street;
 his uncle Thomas Lloyd at 15 St. James Street, Bedford Row;
 his cousin Miss Mary Lloyd (in Marlborough Street?);
 and his friend and cousin William Lloyd Baker.

WHA.167

Letter book I

Paper bound notebook 30 ff.

Front flyleaf 12 March 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Paris to his cousin W.L. Baker: describing his journey from Calais to Paris; commenting on the exchange rates, his way of life in Paris, the plays and opera, the discomforts of the parterre and an English horse race.

f.1 27 February 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Paris to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: giving an account of his journey from Calais, his travelling companions, his impressions of the Tuilleries and the Palais Royal gardens, encounters with an avocat and a Chevalier of St. Louis; with comments on the French theatre.

f.2v. 29 February 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton to Miss M. Lloyd from Paris

f.4 24 March 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Paris to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: commenting on his new lodgings, the dress and appearance of ladies and the behaviour of the crowd in the parterre (pit) at the theatre, the difficulties of understanding spoken French, the manner in which French tragedy is performed, performances of *Tartuffe* by Moliere and *Gageuse Imprevue* by Sedaine, French fondness for eating, table manners, and the use of snuff; mentioning the presence of the Duchess of Kingston and saying that he will not attempt to see the coronation (of Louis XVI) at Rheims "as the sight will not answer the Expense, Trouble and fatigue"; with postscript concerning a Bible with manuscript notes which could be sent from Durham for Dr. Hurd, and assuring him that he treats all new acquaintances with caution.

f.6 4 April 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Paris to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: telling of his visit to Versailles with comments on the buildings, rooms, gardens, the royal family and a comparison with Windsor; describing his appearance when dressed in the French manner and correcting the belief that the French fast in Lent.

f.8 17 April 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Paris to his cousin Miss M. Lloyd: relating how the actor Carlin had offended the Queen by mocking the fashion of wearing high feathers; describing the entertainments of the Foire St. Germain; praising the Concerts Spirituels and a performance of Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater*, and mentioning the Passion week parades at Longchamp in the Bois de Boulogne.

Insert at f.10 29 April 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to W.L. Baker: recommending travelling alone as the best way to acquire the language and meet the people; describing his new French clothes and the cost of living in Paris; giving an account of the journey from Paris to Dijon and his travelling companions with a description of the Forest of Fontainebleau.

Paper 2ff.

f.10 2 May 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: giving an account of his journey from Paris to Dijon and his visit to Madame O'Gorman and the family D'Eon at Tonnerre; with description of the countryside and the Forest of Fontainebleau.

f.11v 20 May 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: requesting approval for extending his tour into Italy, asking him to arrange for letters of credit to be sent to Lyons or Marseilles, and saying that he can get letters of recommendation to "men of science and fashion" from Mr. Patoun, the travelling companion of Lord Powis; with description of a fête at the house of M. De Montigny, the Tresorier General.

f.13v 20 May 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his cousin W.L. Baker: describing the opening ceremony for the meeting of the States of Burgundy, the prize giving at the Academy which included poetry readings, Priestly's experiments on fixed air and a concert, and a fête in the garden of the Intendant; with mention of his English acquaintances Sir D'Carnege and Lord Powis and his hopes of extending his tour to Switzerland and Italy.

WHA.167/1

Enclosure at f.14: Two printed pages containing words and music of a French air *Air du Devin du village*, with manuscript note that it was composed by J.J. Rousseau.

Paper 2ff.

f.15 12 June 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: describing the University and Academy of Sciences in Dijon, a service for the ordination of priests in the bishop's palace, the restoration of the church and buildings of a Carthusian house near Dijon, an exceptionally severe storm which has destroyed the vines and corn, and the entertainments at the newly opened Vauxhall.

f.16v 18 June 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: commenting on the news that his letters are being copied; describing the procession for the feast of the Sacred Host a relic belonging to the Saint Chapelle; outlining his plans for continuing his travels, arrangements for transferring money to France and the varying rates of exchange; with mention of his aunt's illness.

f.19 29 June 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his cousin Miss M. Lloyd: commenting on family news; describing the celebrations in Dijon for the coronation (of Louis XVI) and the dancing at Vauxhaal on the ramparts.

f.21 30 June 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: informing him about the university at Geneva and the intellectual and religious life there, his proposed route to Rome and plans for the return journey.

f.22v 14 July 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to W.L. Baker: giving an account of his visit to the O'Gorman family and the relatives of the Chevalier (d'Eon) at Tonnere and his travelling companions on the return journey.

f.24 3 July 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Tonnere (to his uncle Thomas Lloyd): describing his visit to the O'Gorman family and Madame d'Eon at Tonnere.

f.25v

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: requesting that his money bills should be drawn on banks in Marseilles or Genoa rather than Leghorn which will be out of his way; commenting on a misunderstanding between his uncle and his mother; approving the proposal that his cousin Soley should study in Glasgow rather than Geneva; with references to his uncle's narrow escape from the Laudanum, the Chevalier and Madame D'Eon, Madame O'Gorman and the frequent thunderstorms caused by the heat.

f.27 24 July 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Dijon to his cousin Miss Mary Lloyd: commenting on news in her letter including the accident to his uncle; complaining that Dijon has become dull and intolerably hot; describing his visit to a Jacobine nun of Madame O'Gorman's acquaintance, his friendship with a French officer who plays the violin and some French families with whom he plays cards.

WHA.168

Letter book II

Paper bound notebook 18 ff.

f.1 14 August 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Geneva to his uncle Thomas Lloyd: giving an account of his journey from Dijon and travelling companions; and mentioning his unsuccessful attempt to see Voltaire.

f.2 26 August 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Lyons to W.L. Baker: commenting on the numbers of English living in Geneva and the need for a passport when travelling from Geneva to France; describing the town of Lyons, an evening at the house of M. Pernon and his pleasure in the renewal of his friendship with Lord Powis and M. Patoun.

f.3v 21 September 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Lyons to Thomas Lloyd: informing him that his departure from Lyons has been delayed by Mr. Patoun's illness and that he intends to travel to Rome via Leghorn and Florence in order to be there at the same time as Lord Powys and Mr. Patoun; and describing the informal hospitality he receives at the home of the merchant M. Pernon.

f.4 27 August 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Lyons to his aunt Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton: containing descriptions of Lyons and Geneva and accounts of his visits to the Pernon family, the theatre and opera at Lyons.

f.5 1 October 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Avignon to Thomas Lloyd: concerning the business and family affairs of the Comte Duroure whose son (? grandson of Robert Knight, Earl of Catherlough, died 1772) is in Thomas Lloyd's care; with a description of the Rhône and the town of Avignon.

f.6v 4 October 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Organ to Miss M. Lloyd: giving an account of his journey from Avignon and the appearance of the two postillions; commenting on the produce of the region which has a harvest every season of the year. Continuation (7 October 1775) from Marseilles enlarging on the discomforts of the journey; with descriptions of the town of Aix and a tour round Marseilles which included the port, the Bourse, the galleys and the new town.

f.7v 23 October 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Leghorn to Thomas Lloyd: giving an account of his journey by sea from Marseilles; describing the town of Leghorn; mentioning his financial arrangements, his intention of travelling to Rome via Pisa and Florence and of learning Italian; and containing a request that Lloyd should obtain some tickets in the lottery on his behalf.

f.8 27 October 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Florence to Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton: describing the Italian countryside, sightseeing in Pisa and Florence and the theatres in Florence; commenting on the behaviour of the actors and audience, the quality of the performances and the "shocking shapes and capering" of a new dance.

f.9 8 November 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Thomas Lloyd: enthusing over the picturesque and romantic scenery through which he passed on his five day journey from Florence; describing his sightseeing tours of Rome with Lord Powis under the guidance of Mr. Byers, daily routine, lessons in drawing and on the violoncello; and sending condolences on the death of a family friend.

f.9v 18 November 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to W. L. Baker: urging him to follow his example and come to Rome before settling down with a wife and a good living; listing all the sights he has visited; and praising the singing of the daughters of the painter Pompeo Battoni.

f.11v 6 December 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Miss M. Lloyd: commenting on the death of their friend; describing the procession for the enthronement of the Pope (Pius VI) and a papal blessing given to the multitude from the balcony of the church of St. John Lateran; with mention of his audience with the Pope, his music making, concerts at the house of Pompeo Battoni and the singing of the eldest daughter.

f.12v 20 December 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton: commenting on the music he has heard in Rome, his acquaintance with Santarelli the Pope's chapel master, the sights of Rome and his studies of drawing, Italian and on the violencello; identifying the buildings in a picture of the forum belonging to Mrs. Wharton; and containing a short description of St. Peter's.

f.13v 23 December 1775

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Thomas Lloyd: marvelling at the splendour of St. Peter's; and mentioning that he has been received among the Arcadi "the first literary society in Rome".

f.14v 24 January 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Naples to W. L. Baker: discussing the merits of different guide books, the characters of the Roman nobility and people, and their talent for satire; describing some sightseeing trips including a visit to Vesuvius, and the opera house at Naples.

f.16 6 February 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Naples to Thomas Lloyd: saying that he has reached the limit of his travels; describing sightseeing trips round the bay of Naples, two excursions up Vesuvius and the museum at Portici; with mention of his proposed visit to Pompeii.

WHA.169

Letter book III

Paper bound notebook 20 ff.

f.3 22 February 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Thomas Lloyd: giving an account of the last three days of the Carnival and outlining his plans for the remainder of his tour; with mention of the weather and the sight of Vesuvius "at one time covered with snow, and at the same time a river of liquid fire was running down its side".

f.5 26 February 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton: expressing relief that the Carnival is over and that he can resume his studies; describing the structure of Roman society with comments on the superficial education of the nobility and his preference for the middle class or gentry.

f.7 7 March 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Miss Mary Lloyd: describing a ceremony which he had witnessed in Naples when two sisters entered their novitiates to become nuns; telling of his opportunities for making and listening to good music, particularly church music, with special mention of "the three Great Wonders of the Art" (viz.): Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater*, Jomelli's *Passione*, and the *Miserere* by Allegri.

f.8v 26 March 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Miss Mary Lloyd: giving an account of the concerts he has attended, speaking disparagingly of a ceremony conducted by the Pope and commenting on the news of his friends Baker, Hopper and Bedford.

f.9v 5 April 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Thomas Lloyd: commenting on the various small commissions he has been asked to perform while in Rome, the decline of Rome from its glorious past and his intention of returning through Paris to brush up his French; with a description of the Maundy Thursday ceremonies in the Sistine Chapel and a performance there of the *Miserere* (by Allegri).

f.11 3 April 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Revd. W.L. Baker: commenting on performances of *Alexander's Feast* by Handel, the *Stabat Mater* by Pergolesi and Jomelli's *Passione*; describing the Blessing of Palms in the Sistine Chapel; expressing his preference for the Italian language over the French; and mentioning a dinner at the Duke of Gloucester's.

f.12 18 April 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Thomas Lloyd: describing an excursion to Tivoli and Maecenas's Villa and expressing regret at leaving Rome; with mention of some financial arrangements.

f.13v 10 April 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Rome to Mrs (Jonathan) Wharton at Boswell Court: describing the elaborate ceremonies for the celebration of High Mass in St. Peter's on Easter Sunday followed by the Grand Benediction from the balcony over the portico of St. Peter's and a firework display the following evening; with mention of a violent thunderstorm and an earthquake.

f.14v 4 May 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Bologna to Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton: giving an account of his ten day journey from Rome, including an excursion to the fall of Velsino; with mention of his travelling companion who is a French physician.

f.15v 10 May 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Venice to Miss Mary Lloyd: giving an account of his journey from Bologna and describing the sights of Venice.

f.16 17 May 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Venice to Thomas Lloyd: describing preparations for the ceremony of the marriage of the Adriatic postponed on account of the weather; expressing gratitude for the encouragement and advice he has received from his uncle and friends in making his tour of Italy.

f.17 3 June 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton to Thomas Lloyd from Ulm in Suabia

f.17v 15 June 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton in Paris to Revd. and Mrs. W. L. Baker (Mary Lloyd): describing his journey from Strasbourg with particular mention of the town of Nancy; and expressing his disappointment that Dr. Gem is not in Paris, his old servant is ill and that the Table d'Hôte he used to frequent has been given up. (The beginning of the letter was not copied, probably because it contained congratulations on their marriage.)

f.18v 10 June 1776

Copy letter from Robert Wharton to Mrs. (Jonathan) Wharton from Strasbourg

Revd. Robert Wharton: letters to Revd. Thomas Brand (excluding those from France and Italy)

WHA.170-516 1773-1808

WHA.170 9 August 1773

Robert Wharton in Durham to Revd. Thomas Brand at Newmarket: giving a detailed description of a celestine; with mention of George Pretyman's visit to Durham and the "famous Chaconne Overture" performed at Durham the previous week.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.171 8 June 1774

Robert Wharton in Durham to Revd. Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: giving an account of his journey back to Durham through Lincoln, Gainsborough and York; with particular mention of visits to Lord Exeter's house (at Burghley) and Lincoln Minster and a social call on Miss A. in York for whom he has bought a copy of *Acis and Galatea*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.172 18 August 1774

Robert Wharton in Worcester to Revd. Thomas Brand at Sir Joshua Knight's, Dorset Court, Westminster, the day before setting out on a tour of Wales: praising the music of Purcell above all other English composers, refuting Lord Chesterfield's criticisms of music and mentioning a bound copy of *Acis and Galatea*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.173 26 September 1774 (postmark)

Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: giving a description of his tour of Wales, and of the music meeting at Hereford where he heard performances of the Dettingen *Te Deum*, *Judas Macchabeus*, *Messiah* and other works, with comments on the performers.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.174 1 February 1775

Robert Wharton at Boswell Court to Revd. Thomas Brand, Christ's College, Cambridge: urging him to come to London, commenting on the performances of Rauzzini and Schiedlerin at the opera, an opera entitled *Armida* by Sacchini, a performance by Bastardini at the Pantheon, the performance of a Haydn quartet in E major and other works and again praising the celestinet.

Paper 2ff.

[For 5 letters from Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand from France and Italy, see above: Nos. 114, 133, 145, 155 and 157]

WHA.175 4 July 1775

Robert Wharton in Durham, to Thomas Brand at Newmarket: commenting on his progress on the violoncello, newly published music by Misliwiceck, an afternoon playing music with Miss Spearman at Old Acres, and an evening playing flute duets on the riverbanks; with mention of preparations for race week and the assizes.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.176 22 October 1776

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: giving an account of visits to Old Park and Newton, and asking him to make enquiries as to how he should proceed if there are to be no ordinations at Trinity College.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.177 18 January 1777

Robert Wharton in London to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: expressing pleasure at hearing of Brand's recovery, telling him that he has passed "the dreaded examination" and will be ordained the next day; commenting on performances of the opera.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.178 6 March 1777

Robert Wharton in Bishop Wearmouth to Thomas Brand at Newmarket: concerning an epidemic of measles in Durham and social events including card games; with reference to Wharton's settling himself in Bishop Wearmouth "in my new business" (i.e. as curate).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.179 2 March 1778

Robert Wharton (in London) to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: enquiring about some books, mentioning works currently being performed and describing a card party; with some mathematical word play.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.180 24 March 1778

Letter from Robert Wharton, in Boswell Court to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: asking if he knows the name of the critic mentioned in Paley's Black Breeches Sermon on which he has to preach to following Sunday, commenting on the music he is trying to learn, performances of oratorios at Drury Lane and operas; with a mock (?) discussion of some Arabic quotations (probably invented).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.181 7 September 1778

Robert Wharton in Durham, to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: expressing his grief at the death of Miss Ord whom he had hoped to marry; with copy of an Elegy composed "in better days" on a visit to the barber.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.182 No date

Poem composed by Robert Wharton describing either himself or Thomas Brand.

Paper 1f.

WHA.183 No date

"*Mathematici Querela Amatoria. Fragmentum*" : poem with notes and references composed by Robert Wharton.

Language: Latin

Paper 2ff.

WHA.184 30 September 1778

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: thanking him for his condolences, mentioning some family matters and quoting some lines "by a poet of your acquaintance" beginning "Oh! could the breath of yon celestial morn, on flowry fields the roaming flocks adorn . . ."

Paper 2ff.

WHA.185 No date (Autumn 1778?)

Robert Wharton [in Durham] to Revd. George Pretyman at Pembroke Hall, Cambridge: commenting on Pretyman's last letter, announcing his intention of returning to Cambridge soon and mentioning that Pitt will still be in college then.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.186 22 March 1779

Robert Wharton in James St. to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: containing news of family and friends, concerts and performers; and asking whether he has seen any of Schudi's new invented swell harpsichords.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.187 31 July 1779

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in the Hague: containing news of family and friends including Pitt's candidature, a stay in Whitby, and the charms of Miss Harrop; mentioning that "Robin W. the Squire" (his cousin Robert Wharton eldest son of Dr. Thomas Wharton of Old Park) is going to the East Indies next year; with some lines possibly composed by Chaucer concerning the Jews in Babylon.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.188 16 August 1779

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in S. Haage, Holland: commenting on the contents of Brand's latest letter from Holland, family news and local gossip including Liddel's marital problems and quarrels between G. Baker, Baker and Swinburne; with mention of Wharton's support for Pitt's candidature.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.189 27 September 1779

Robert Wharton in Offerton to Thomas Brand in Geneva, Switzerland: berating Brand's companion Sir James (Hall) for his idleness, expressing his dislike of "popish" churches despite his pleasure in the music and in individual pictures, with mention of his musical activities.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.190 10 December 1779

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Geneva: complaining that he has received no letters from either him or Sir James, explaining why he has abandoned the "siege" mentioned in his last letter (concerning his suit of a possible bride?); and including some lines he has written in the style of Milton to mark the "new dignity" of a mutual friend.

(Edward Walsby, nicknamed the *Kaimacham*, was appointed proctor in October 1779).
Paper 2ff.

WHA.191 3 January 1780

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Geneva: complaining of Brand's excuses for not having written for two months, commenting on the reaction in the University to his lines on the "Proctorial *Kaimacham*" and urging him to write more frequently; with mention of the peace with America and some Durham news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.192 7 February 1780

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Geneva: telling him of his appointment to a small living in Bedale with copy of his lines on the "Proctorial *Kaimacham*".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.193 27 March 1780

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Geneva: describing his situation in Bedale, with some family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.194 26 April 1780

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Geneva: answering Brand's questions concerning Welsh genealogy and recommending an excursion from Geneva to the Perte du Rhône provided the weather is suitable; with news of Durham society.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.195 19 June 1780

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Geneva: giving an account of the Visitation (by the Archdeacons) which he recently attended at Richmond; describing his efforts to teach his choir to sing psalms; commenting on the Gordon riots in London and his uncle Lloyd's narrow escape; with mention of a ballad he has composed.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.196 24 July [1780]

Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on Brand's last letter and the words and music for some ballads; mentioning a turnpike meeting at Masham where he will be a Commissioner; and containing two sets of verses one of which in Italian is addressed to Brand.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.197 29 October [1780]

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on the posts and Brand's last letter with his account of glaciers and other matters.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.198 4 November 1780

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Geneva: containing a French poem and an epitaph he has written for himself; giving an account of his visit to his relatives at Old Park and their interest in Brand's letters; and other matters.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.199 14 November 1780

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on the damage to Brand's Tenor (viola?); sending messages from Old Park; and recommending him to read the essays of Montaigne, with a transcription of a favourite passage.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.200 5 December 1780

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward, to Thomas Brand in Geneva: containing a copy of "A Fox Hunting Ballad" written by Charles Turner; commenting on his cousin Betty's latest pastime, making imitation Etruscan vases, and other matters.

Paper 4ff.

WHA.201 18 December 1780 (postmark)

Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on the news that Brand might return in the spring, giving news of his cousins Robin and Dick (Robert and Richard Wharton of Old Park); expressing shock and anger at the insult offered to the inhabitants of Chartreuse by some nonsense written in the Chartreuse Album; giving an account of a concert at Wakefield and a visit to Fanny Anderson, now Mrs. Smith; with mention of Pitt's coming into Parliament.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.202 11 January 1781 (*sic* : postmarked 8 January)

Robert Wharton, Thornton Steward, to Thomas Brand in Geneva: discussing their mutual career prospects; describing Dick (Richard Wharton)'s visit; and mentioning a meeting with the steward of the Duke of Bolton who writes poetry.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.203 4 June 1781

Robert Wharton, Thornton Steward, to Thomas Brand in Paris: telling him he has abandoned his recent hopes of marriage; reminiscing about his own stay in Paris; enquiring about the opera; asking him to purchase some music by Boccherini; and giving an account of his return from London with some news of Brand's family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.204 15 October 1781

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Dunglass near Press: concerning news of mutual friends, a visit (to the Danbys?) at Swinton and the music they played there; with mention of a Mrs. Hall's son who is undergoing treatment for a speech impediment at Edinburgh.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.205 4 November 1781

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Edinburgh: commenting on Brand's accusation that he enjoys coarse stories and telling of his latest poems and prose works which he would like to have bound under the title of "Miscellania Ridicula"; with some gossip about a mutual acquaintance, young Nesbit.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.206 25 November 1781

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Edinburgh: commenting on Brand's description of Edinburgh and the lectures he attends; containing news of friends and a copy of his Ballad entitled "Sermon of the Revd. Father Phelin O'Neale of the order of St. Francis to his congregation in London, Transversed".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.207 14 December 1781

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Edinburgh: commenting on Brand's criticisms of the Ballad, his friendship with Danby, and news of friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.208 10 February 1781 (sic actually 1782)

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Edinburgh: expressing some views on democracy and the intentions of the French towards the government of Geneva; commenting on a sermon he preached "in the market place church" (St. Nicholas's, Durham) against the excessive respect paid to squires, prebends etc.; and containing copies of a scurrilous verse attached to (Edward) Gibbon's picture in Reynold Street and part of an Epithalamium "on Bunker and Miss Hannah".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.209 24 February 1782

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Edinburgh: containing news of friends and local events including a dispute between George Baker and Francis Egerton, the Bishop's son; with some lines in verse beginning:

"Nor you, sweet ladies, deem it wrong
If with your name I grace my song . . ."

Paper 2ff.

WHA.210 16 March 1782

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Edinburgh: containing a copy of an advertisement written in "scotch"; expressing the hope that the Whigs will come to power; praising the singing of Meredith who is now in Edinburgh, and commenting on a suicide.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.211 24 April 1782

Robert Wharton in James Street to Thomas Brand in Edinburgh: saying that he has dined with the Bishop of Chester and has been to three operas and a musical evening; with news of friends and a copy of a catch he has composed.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.212 17 and 24 May 1782

Robert Wharton in Boroughbridge and continued from Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Dunglass: telling him of a visit to Brand's sister (Martha) wife of the Rector of Bartlow; mentioning several entertainments in London; insisting that Brand visit Thornton Steward on his way to the south and containing news of friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.213 4 June 1782

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Dunglass: conveying Dr. Thomas Wharton's invitation to Brand to visit Old Park on his way south; commenting on the threat to Geneva from France and Sardinia; and complaining of the weather.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.214 5 July 1782

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Dunglass: saying that his engagements are uncertain during the summer as he expects a visit from his uncle (Thomas) Lloyd and has an invitation from the Rector of Hugget (John Whaley) with a description of the Rector's daughter Sarah; commenting on his reactions on first reading "The Sentimental Mirrors", changes in the government and an outbreak of influenza in Durham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.215 17 September 1782

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: advising that he would be better rewarded if he found a comfortable living in England instead of "leading another cub abroad"; expressing hopes of a successful outcome to his suit (of Sarah Whaley); and mentioning that he has been employed by the Bishop of Chester (Beilby Porteus) in examining for Orders.

(One line referring to Sarah Whaley has been cut out.)

Paper 2ff.

WHA.216 1 October 1782

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: expressing concern at Brand's predicament and saying he hoped George (Pretyman) would use his influence with Pitt to find Brand a living; commenting on his disappointment at the failure of his suit; and mentioning the works of Mason, music making at Danby's, his mother's decision to sell her house in Durham, his own property and problems in getting rents paid.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.217 25 October 1782

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: discussing the music played at Danby's house and his own compositions, a book *Compère Mathieu* lent him by Danby and the sale of his house in Durham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.218 No date (before 24 November 1782)

Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand (at Newmarket) shortly before Brand's departure for France: saying that he is writing an ode for Sir James on the Duchess of G[ordo]n's Antonio and commenting on the discovery of a new planet and a suitable name for it.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.219 24 November 1782

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Graham's, Queen Ann Street, Cavendish Square, London: commenting on Brand's new position (as tutor to Mr. and Mrs. Graham's son), the book *Le Compère Mathieu*, news of Sir James (Hall) and the Ode he has written for him, and his cousin Dick's conduct; telling him to go to see the "She Garrick" Mrs. Siddons.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.220

"Ode: Carmina non prius Audita" : poem written by Robert Wharton for Sir James (Hall) concerning an incident involving the Duchess of G[ordon].

Paper 2ff.

WHA.221 14 February 1783

Robert Wharton in James Street to Thomas Brand (in Paris): containing news of friends and acquaintances; commenting on the popular reaction to the peace (with France and Spain) and the likely overthrow of the government, Jacob's decision to enter the church and changes in the opera house, recalling having seen *Tom Jones* at the Comedie Italienne.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.222 1 April 1783

Robert Wharton in James Street to Thomas Brand in Toulouse: saying that all his hopes (of preferment?) have been disappointed; commenting on performances by Mrs. Siddons, a Boccherini party given by Jacob and his friends and the current state of politics with a description of some cartoons.

2ff. (3 lines of one page cut out)

WHA.223 5 and 9 May 1783

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Thoulouse: describing the latest object of his affection (the daughter of his Aunt J. Wharton's brother); containing news of family and friends including the death of his aunt Mrs. Leighton; commenting on a concert at Danby's, the state of politics and Pitt's suitability for leading the nation. Paper 2ff.

WHA.224 13 June 1783

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Thoulouse telling of some disappointment (in love or prospects?) with a phrase of music to the words: "Se fortuna mi tormenta la speranza mi contenta"; commenting on Brand's letter of 27 May, the death of his aunt Mrs. Leighton, news of Sir James (Hall), the reported reaction of Mrs. Siddons to the part of Lady Macbeth, the music played during his visit to Old Park, the death of Sir Thomas Clavering and the current political chaos.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.225 4 July 1783

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Lyons: telling of his latest disappointment in love; correcting his report of Sir Thomas Clavering's death; commenting on a proposed duel between G. Baker and A.R. Bowes (M.P. for Newcastle), news from Cambridge, the imprisonment of the mathematician Attwood for debt and the current state of politics; and containing news of family and friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.226 1 August 1783

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on Brand's letter of 16 July ; describing his tour through the Craven district with Danby; mentioning social engagements, his Visitation sermon, news of Pitt and the impact of Sir Thomas Clavering's accident on the politics of Durham; and containing some verses written on hearing of the intention of a London hairdresser to be in Richmond during the races.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.227 10 October 1783

Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand in Bologna: containing a copy of an ode he has written for Danby and commenting on the death of a relative (one of Mary Lloyd's sisters?).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.228 10 November 1783

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Rome: commenting on Brand's description of a musical sermon; telling of places to visit in Rome; and containing the outline of a play in Italian.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.229 26 February 1784

Robert Wharton at 15 James Street to Thomas Brand in Rome: containing news of preferments gained by George (Pretymán) and Wilson; commenting on the hypochondria of Brand's pupil, his own musical activities and the Handel Jubilee in April with 400 performers; with mention of Pitt and Mrs. Siddons.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.230 14 May 1784

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on Brand's acquaintances in Venice and Florence; complaining bitterly of a colliery opened by the Dean and Chapter above the Banks in Durham; and mentioning Pitt and George (Pretymán).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.231 8 June 1784

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on Brand's letter from Venice and the poor quality of Italian drama; recommending a book entitled *Antimephitique*; describing the Handel Jubilee in Westminster Abbey; mentioning a hundred years old Cremona fiddle now in his possession; and containing some verses entitled "On the Duchesses of Portland, D-v-nshire and Bedford's Election Glee".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.232 20 July 1784

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: inviting him and Sir James Graham to Thornton Steward the following week, after Wharton has completed his duties (at the assizes) in York.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.233 28 August 1784

Robert Wharton in London to Thomas Brand at Newmarket: telling him the arrangements for his journey back to York so that they may spend some time together.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.234 5 September 1784

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: expressing disappointment at not gaining the living at Catton; asking him to bring down two sermons by Paley; and praising some drawings by Mrs. Harcourt.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.235 12 October 1784

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: inviting him to return to Thornton Steward and stay until Christmas; with reference to law suits to compel Lord Egremont to choose an incumbent for Petworth or Catton, Kirby O. etc.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.236 7 January 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: expressing concern for the health of Brand's father, recounting a faux pas committed by Dr. Antony [Shepherd], the Plumbian professor, while staying at Windsor; and commenting on the rumour about the *Kaimacham's* marriage to Lady Almeria Carpenter.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.237 31 January 1785

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: commenting on Brand's application for a living in Scotland; with news of Old Park, friends and relatives. Paper 2ff.

WHA.238 No date [Spring 1785]

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: upbraiding him for not having written, complaining that he has little prospect of crown preferment as the present incumbents are all too young and healthy, and saying that they were quite comfortable while snowed in at Swinton (Danby's house) for ten days. Paper 2ff.

WHA.239 28 May 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: commenting on Brand's decision to travel again (with Mr. Duncombe); inviting him to Thornton Steward at a time when he can visit Old Park and also meet Danby; asking him to bring some music with him and anticipating music making when the Rector of Bedale "a capital fiddler" arrives; with mention of the marriage pending between his cousin Kitty Wharton and Captain Salvin. Paper 2ff.

WHA.240 5 July 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: praising the string quartets of Haydn's pupil Paradeise and urging him to come as soon as possible; with local news and gossip. Paper 2ff.

WHA.241 17 July 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Newmarket: commenting on news in Brand's last letter including the latter's prospects of obtaining some livings; discussing the merits of various singers; and mentioning musical parties and a speech given by "the divine lion" at the Commencement (in Cambridge). Paper 2ff.

WHA.242 22 July 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: thanking him for the information about a vacant living near to London for which he has written to Pitt and Pretzman; with comments on their latest quartet party, family and local news. Paper 2ff.

WHA.243 10 September 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: commenting pessimistically on his (Wharton's) prospects of obtaining a living despite a favourable response from Pitt; containing news of friends, the birth of Pretzman's daughter and his discovery of the composer Wenceslas Pichl; with request that Brand should procure some music for him. Paper 2ff.

WHA.244 29 September 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: congratulating Brand on his preferment and telling of Pitt's efforts on his own behalf; containing news of the death of Pretzman's daughter; and looking forward to a time when they can visit each other in their rectories and make music with their wives.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.245 25 October 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: concerning the ill feeling developing in Cambridge against them both as a consequence of the election of Harwood; with news of another disappointment in his search for a living and comments on Burton's *Anatomy of Melancholy*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.246 9 December 1785

Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward to Thomas Brand at Christ's College, Cambridge: commenting on the ingratitude of Sir James Graham; containing some lines on Brand's preferment to the vicarage of Croxton and requesting his portrait; with news of friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.247 26 March 1786

Robert Wharton in London to Thomas Brand in Dijon: describing the house, garden and situation at Sigglesborne; telling of the end to his latest hopes of marriage; praising Pretzman for having given his Welsh sinecure of £150 a year to his brother; commenting on a performance of *The Heiress* and mentioning that his mother intends to set up house in York.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.248 9 April 1786

Robert Wharton in Sigglesborne to Thomas Brand in Dijon: sending condolences on the death of Brand's father; complaining of the infrequency of the post at Sigglesborne; describing the house and gardens more fully, expressing hopes of finding some musicians in the neighbourhood; with mention of his mother's plans to move to York.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.249 27 April 1786

Robert Wharton in Durham to Thomas Brand in Dijon: commenting on the death of Brand's father and mentioning a living that might suit Brand on his return; with news of the family at Old Park and his arrangements for moving his mother to York and himself to Sigglesborne alias Sils'ton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.250 7 June 1786

Robert Wharton in Sigglesborne to Thomas Brand in Geneva: praising his new rectory and the neighbourhood; commenting on the quartets and duets he has been playing recently and expressing the fear that he will not have the same opportunities for music as before.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.251 6 August 1786

Robert Wharton in Siggleshorpe to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on Brand's complaints about Mr. Duncombe; lamenting his lack of a wife; explaining why he was in a hurry to be inducted to his new living; giving an account of a visit paid to his church by the Beverley Band of Singers and commenting on the news of Miss Danby and other friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.252 27 September 1786

Robert Wharton in Siggleshorpe to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on Brand's recent affliction, the improvement in Mr. Duncombe's behaviour and the progress made by Sir James Hall since he left England; with complaints of the featureless countryside of the East Riding and news of Danby.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.253 12 November 1786

Robert Wharton in Silston (Siggleshorpe) to Thomas Brand in Geneva: saying he has no information about insanity in the Duncombe family; giving news of Danby, the successful renewal of his courtship of Miss Whaley and the imminent marriage of Sir James Hall.

2ff. (parts of the letter have been cut out).

WHA.254 20 December 1786

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Geneva: telling of his marriage the previous day and containing news of Danby and Sir James Hall; with postscript added by Sarah Wharton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.255 4 January 1787

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Turin: praising the state of matrimony and the conduct of Sir James Hall; commenting unfavourably on the behaviour of Sir James Graham regarding his benefices and on an exchange of letters between himself and Jacob.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.256 11 February 1787

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Turin: expressing his fears for Brand's welfare during the past three months when some of their letters must have miscarried; commenting on Brand's financial affairs, his wife's lack of confidence and his appointment as one of the chaplains to the Bishop of Lincoln (George Pretymann).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.257 4 March 1787

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Turin: discussing the contents of a letter from George Pretymann, Bishop of Lincoln, containing news of the birth of a son and expressing outrage at a letter from Sir James Graham recommending Brand to his patronage; commenting on Brand's taste for Italian comedy and an anonymous essay dedicated to the Lord Chancellor; with expressions of domestic happiness and news of Danby and his wife.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.258 18 March 1787

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Milan: pointing out the compensations to be gained by travelling through Germany instead of going to Rome; commenting on the restrictions on his conduct imposed by the Assizes currently taking place in York; with mention of the singer Shenkin Meredyth from Durham Choir.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.259 8 June 1787

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Vienna: commenting on Brand's dispute with Mr. Duncombe; confirming Brand's appointment as a fellow chaplain to George Pretyman; recollecting his own passage of the Alps to Innsbruck; telling how their house was attacked three times in the previous week and referring to a crisis in relations with Turkey.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.260 11 September 1787

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Berlin: containing news of his wife's pregnancy; conveying a proposition from Sir James Hall concerning an opening for Brand's sister as a governess; and anticipating Brand's return.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.261 21 December 1787

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand at Bartlow: congratulating Brand's sister on her inheritance; advising Brand to accept the College living; commenting on the conduct of the Bishop of London who owed his early education to Wharton's mother's family; and inviting Brand to stay with him on his journeys to and from Edinburgh.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.262 22 January 1788

Robert Wharton in Silston (Sigglescliffe) to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: expressing disappointment that Brand will not be visiting them as expected; commenting on news of George (Pretyman, Bishop of Lincoln), Dick (Richard Wharton) and the *Kaimacham* (Edward Walsby); and mentioning his problems in finding a replacement for his sick curate, so that he may be in York during Easter week.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.263 29 February 1788

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: commenting on Brand's new position as tutor to Lord Bruce and the reprehensible conduct of his successor at Thornton Steward; mentioning Dick and Sir Jemie (Sir James Hall); and anticipating the birth of his child.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.264 27 March 1788

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: expressing pleasure at the improvement in Brand's prospects and in the news of his sister's forthcoming marriage; commenting on the conduct of Richard Wharton; mentioning some ballads and a cartoon, and the choice of names for his child.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.265 30 March 1788

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: announcing the birth of his daughter (Anne Elizabeth).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.266 13 April 1788

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Newmarket: congratulating him on becoming Rector of Brisley in Norfolk; describing his new born child and discussing the date of his return (to Sigglesthorpe); with mention of "shocking work" at Cambridge and enquiring whether any of the gowmsmen are in custody.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.267 16 May 1788

Robert Wharton in Silston (Sigglesthorpe) to Thomas Brand: commenting on Brand's complaints about his new employment; asking questions about Lord Bruce; commenting on the assumption of the name of Wharton by John Hall Stevenson of Skelton Castle in obedience to the wishes of his great great aunt Margaret "Old Peg" (both distant relatives of Robert Wharton) and referring to a dispute with them over Gilling; mentioning friends, musical activities and his dilemma as to whether or not he is to accompany the Bishop of Lincoln (George Pretyman) on his Visitation.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.268 23 June 1788 (completed 3 July 1788)

Robert Wharton at Brigg between Lincoln and Silston to Thomas Brand commenting on his first meeting with George Pretyman since he became a Bishop and the value of his newly acquired stall in Lincoln (for the prebend of Crackpole); with news of his mother and family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.269 26 August 1788

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand: encouraging him to consider the advantages of his employment and mentioning a living and several prebends which may become vacant in the near future; commenting on the character of George Pretyman's brother and enquiring about Miss Knight's book.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.270 18 September 1788

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand: commenting on Brand's letter of 13 September ; with news of the family at Old Park and the marriage of Miss Spearman to Dr. Fenwick.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.271 16 November 1788

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand: expressing distress at news of the King's illness; asking for more details about Lord Ailesbury's "generosity and tenderness"; with comments on his own health and that of his family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.272 27 December 1788

Robert Wharton at Silston to Thomas Brand: sending a copy of his latest song; commenting on Brand's chances of another living and the amusement occasioned by his own appointment as Prebend of Crackpole; with mention of a book *The Voyage to the Pelew Islands* and a song Brand's sister is to send him.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.273 29 January 1789

Robert Wharton at Silston to Thomas Brand: discussing the possibility of Brand's obtaining a living or a good stall at Lincoln; with mention of the Bishop of Llandaff, and news of Dick (Richard Wharton) and Kitty (Catherine Salvin).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.274 February 1789

Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand: informing him of the death of his mother Mrs. Ann Wharton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.275 No date [February 1789]

Robert Wharton to Thomas Brand: thanking Brand for his expressions of sympathy on the death of his mother and commenting on his grief; mentioning several vacancies and "the glorious change in Political affairs" with the improvement in the King's health.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.276 29 March 1789

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand: commenting on Brand's chances of preferment and on music Brand has sent to him; recommending that Brand should read *De l'importance des opinions religieuses* by Necker; with news of Dick Wharton and comments on an accompanying silhouette he has made of his wife.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.277 21 April 1789

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand: expressing anger that Brand has again been passed over for a prebend and requesting Brand's opinion on the inscription he has composed for his mother.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.278 23 April 1789

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand: attributing Brand's failure to gain the latest vacant stall to Kedington and not the Bishop of Lincoln; with comments on his suit against Billy Bethell, a performance of Coronation Anthems in York Minster that day, Brand's interest in astrology, and the inscription for his mother's grave stone.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.279 24 May 1789

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand; congratulating him on his appointment as Prebend for Ketton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.280 [June 1789]

Robert Wharton [in Silston] to Thomas Brand: expressing satisfaction with the value of Brand's stall in Lincoln; commenting on Brand's proposed visit to Hadstock where he might hear the "Hadstock nightingale" Mrs. Sukey Hockley, the inscription for his mother's grave, and his intention to write an essay on Psalmody.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.281 22 June 1789

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Lincoln: giving directions for Brand's journey from York and arrangements for meeting him at Beverley, with a recommendation that he should stop on the way to see Redburn Church; mentioning other guests staying at Silston; and asking Brand to commission Mr. Fardell to receive and make payments on Wharton's behalf in respect of his prebend of Crackpool.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.282 3 August 1789

Letter from Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand redirected from Durham to Newcastle: expressing his pleasure at Brand's recent visit; containing news of Dick Wharton ("his wigship"); and commenting on his conduct of a service in the neighbouring church of Routh.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.283 16 September 1789

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand at A. Salvin's Esq., Mosley Street, Manchester: commenting on the imminent birth of his second child, Brand's new tour abroad, the Bishop of London's recommendation that he should publish his "Psalmody", Lord Lonsdale's character, and the health of Dr. Thomas Wharton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.284 28 October 1789

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand: sending a copy of the poem "Jemmy Twitcher" ; commenting on the portrait of the Bishop and the printing of his "Psalmody" ; with news of the children, his son's baptism and the death of his aunt Middleton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.285 4 December 1789

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Leyden: commenting on the reception of his work on Psalmody and his hopes of improving the singing at Siggleshorpe, his Aunt Middleton's will and Miss Raine's plans for the future; with suggestion that Brand might consider marrying Miss Raine.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.286 31 December 1789

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand: commenting on Brand's letter of 4 December and the Bishop (of Lincoln's) silence on the subject of Wharton's tract on "Psalmody" ; with domestic and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.287 3 February 1790

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Leyden: telling of the death of Kitty Salvin (daughter of Thomas Wharton of Old Park), of his wife's inheritance of £7,500 from her great aunt Mrs. Alexander (of Haughton le Skerne) together with the reversion of an estate entailed on their sons, and of the death of a friend of Wharton's mother.

(Elizabeth Alexander c. 1700-90, m. (1) Carlton Carr 1683-1747, (2) Philip Bendlowes, (3) Dr. William Alexander of Haughton).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.288 17 February 1790

Robert Wharton at Silston to Thomas Brand in Leyden: commenting on Brand's studies of Greek, containing a copy of a sonnet and telling of his appointment as Archdeacon of Stowe and Doctor of Laws.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.289 26 February 1790

Robert Wharton at Beverley (continued at Silston) to Thomas Brand at the Hague: containing a copy of his poem "Epitaph on the death of a little bitch" in Latin, news of Salvin's visit to Old Park, Wharton's decision to send copies of two "religious" books to Old Park (Necker, and Beattie's *Evidences of Christianity*), and the Dissenters' petition to Parliament for the repeal of the Corporation and Test Acts; with copy of a satirical piece purporting to be a petition from the Jews to Parliament for the repeal of the same acts.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.290 7 March 1790

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand at the Hague: commenting on Brand's letter of 26 February 1790 regarding likely episcopal appointments and the failure of the Dissenters' petition; with a description of a satirical cartoon on the Dissenters.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.291 15 April 1790

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in the Hague: commenting on Brand's letter of 9 April 1790; containing news of another son for Pretzman, and his own family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.292 [19] and 23 May 1790

Robert Wharton at James Street to Thomas Brand in the Hague: expressing concern at the health of Lord Bruce; asking whether Brand is the author Dinarbas; giving accounts of performances by Marchesi, Mara and Hilligsberg at the opera, of rehearsals and a performance of the *Messiah* at (Westminster) Abbey and of dinner with the *Kaimacham* (Edward Walsby).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.293 1 June 1790

Robert Wharton at James Street to Thomas Brand at the Hague: sending condolences on the death of the Duke of Montague (brother of Lord Ailesbury); praising a performance of the *Messiah* in (Westminster) Abbey beside which modern Italian opera appears paltry; commenting on Miss Knight's painting of Rasselas; asking again whether Brand is Dinarbas and saying the work has been greatly commended; with mention of his intention of voting in Cambridge, a visit to Hasting's trial and Lord Bruce's health.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.294 4 August 1790

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Lausanne: commenting on the death of his Uncle Lloyd's wife, Brand's reports in the change in the French nation, and the introduction of an organ into his church; mentioning a visit from his cousin Baker; containing news of his children who have been innoculated (against small pox), and sending messages to friends in Lausanne.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.295 9 September 1790

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Lausanne: expressing satisfaction at the news of the improvement in Lord Bruce; praising Miss Knight's book *Dinarbas*, and containing family news and comments on visits by Thomas Wharton and his cousin Baker.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.296 25 October 1790

Robert Wharton at Silston to Thomas Brand in Geneva: commenting on the miscarriage of Brand's post and the possibility that a letter from Mountain might have gone astray, the national mood against Don Antonio, friends and acquaintances in Lausanne, the health of the Bishop of Durham and Wharton's dispute over tithes with a local squire. (Jacob Mountain was their contemporary at Cambridge and 1st Anglican Bishop of Quebec 1793-1825.)

Paper 2ff.

WHA.297 10 February 1791

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Florence: expressing his affection and regard for Brand; commenting on the number of letters he has written and his intention of "speaking strongly" to the postmaster about their miscarriage; with details of his proposed journeys to London and Old Park, and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.298 21 February 1791

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Florence: again expressing his regard and affection for Brand and congratulating him on the news of his sister at Hadstock; with mention of his friend Benjamin Keene, Mountain, George Pretyman and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.299 11 March 1791

Robert Wharton in Hatfield and London to Thomas Brand in Rome: commenting on his visit to Mountain at Buckden, with news of George Pretyman and his family; giving an account of the operas currently playing in London; mentioning Pretyman's reaction to Lord Ailesbury's proposal regarding Maulden; and asking whether he remembers an incident at the "7 to 1" recalled by Mountain.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.300 20 March 1791

Robert Wharton in London to Thomas Brand in Rome: telling of his collation to the Archdiaconry of Stowe with the prebend of Liddington the previous day; commenting on Brand's report of the opinions of M. De Salgas and Bishop Hurd, the requirement that he should hold Visitations in Lincoln and Gainsborough as soon as possible, and on his and Brand's correspondence with Mountain; with mention of his wife's health, their intention of returning via Bartlow and the burning down of the Albion Mills.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.301 24 April 1791

Robert Wharton at Silston to Thomas Brand in Rome: giving an account of their visit to Brand's mother and sisters in Bartlow and Hadstock, and his installation at Lincoln; commenting on a performance by David; and telling of their intention to visit all their relatives about the Tees provided that "the plague be ceased at Old Park".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.302 29 May 1791

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Florence: announcing the birth of his third child, to be named after Kitty (Salvin), with mention of his wife's health and belief in nursing her own children; commenting on the death of the Bishop of Durham (Thurlow), the likely successor, his own preference for Barrington and hope that Lord Ailesbury will get something for Brand "in the scramble which must follow".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.303 12 June 1791

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Florence: congratulating him on the birth of his nephew (Carr); commenting on Barrington's appointment as Bishop of Durham; with mention of Dr. Thomas Wharton's enthusiasm for the French Revolution.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.304 7 February 1792

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Rome: containing news of his wife and family, his lawsuit with Squire Billy B.(Bethell); commenting on a collection of psalms and hymns and Ormerod's claim to be its author; mentioning the reduction of taxes, Pretymans's "high health and great spirits", and his plans for the summer.

(Richard Ormerod 1752-1816, chaplain to the Bishop of London.)

Paper 2ff.

WHA.305 16 April 1792

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Naples: urging him not to consider lack of letters from the Bishop as intentional neglect; commenting on Mountain's criticisms of his (Wharton's) latest work, Dick's marriage and sudden interest in domestic matters and the pain of his sprained ankle; with light hearted reflections on the future in store for his son and expressing fears lest "the spirit of anarchy and anti-ecclesiastism" should gain ground in England.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.306 13 July 1792

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Dresden: expressing the hope that Brand's health has improved, telling of his success in the law suit against Billy Bethell and his opponent's false account of the case; commenting on a visit from his uncle Thomas Wharton, Dick, his bride and her brother; with news of Danby and postscript dated 16 July recording the receipt of Brand's letter of 30 June 1792.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.307 16 July 1792

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Dresden: giving an account of Dick's meeting with M. Monod; commenting on Brand's fears for his sister Martha, post which has miscarried, the proclamation (concerning riotous assembly, May 1792) and the local support for the views of Joseph Priestly; and saying that he has not yet obtained a copy of *Marcus Flaminius* (by Miss Knight).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.308 4 August 1792

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Dresden: sending condolences on the death of Brand's mother and reassuring him as to the health of his sister (Martha) Hall; commenting on Mountain's letter to Brand and his criticisms of Wharton's latest work, Billy Bethel's reaction to losing his tithe suit and Wharton's determination to find a comfortable exchange for Silston; and including a copy of Wharton's parody of "Here in cool Grot" by (William) Shenstone.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.309 26 August 1792

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Dresden: praising Miss Knight's book *Marcus Flaminius*; commenting on an expected visit from Sir James (Hall) and Lady Helen and their own visit to Old Park, Pitt's appointment as Warden of the Cinque Ports at the King's insistence; expressing horror at events on the continent, attributing "all the mischief" to "that glorious thing Philosophy" and suggesting that Miss Knight should write a work to counteract "those rascals the Philosophes".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.310 1 September 1792

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Dresden: commenting on the news of the celebrations in Prague, and the reception of Dick's wife at Old Park; sending the words of his ballad "The Robin Hood" intended to be sung after a ball given by a society of Gloucestershire Archers called "The Robin Hood"; with mention of his son's learning to talk, Pitt's reaction to continental affairs and the proposed visit of Sir James (Hall) and Lady Helen.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.311 9 September 1792

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Milan: commenting on Brand's letter of 20 August (concerning the death of his mother), his poor relations with the neighbouring squires, the news from Danby that Lord Ailesbury may wish his son to winter in Spain or possibly N. Africa, news of Dick's career, Miss Knight's dedication of her book (*Marcus Flaminius*) to Horace Walpole and events in France; with mention of their poor health as a consequence of the bad weather and the prospects of a bad harvest.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.312 26 October 1792

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Naples: expressing surprise that Cornelia Knight knew of him and his poems and describing the reception of *Marcus Flaminius* at Old Park; commenting on the visit of Sir James Hall and Lady Helen; complaining of the pain in his leg now thought to be gout; sending the tune for the Robin Hood Ballad; expressing the fear that "Gallomania" will spread "like wild fire" all over Europe; and containing some anecdotes and news of Dick and Debbie.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.313 10 March 1793

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Florence: expressing his detestation and indignation against the "c....d Atheists"; commenting on news from Danby, Brand's recovery from illness, Mountain's criticisms of Wharton's sermon for the spring Visitations, news of Brand's sisters, Salvin "a desperate democrat" who is in Paris about to be re-married, and recent ecclesiastical appointments including that of J.P. (John Pretyman) as precentor and archdeacon (of Lincoln).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.314 14 April 1793

Robert Wharton in London to Thomas Brand in Florence: informing him of Mountain's appointment as Bishop of Canada; commenting on rumours of Lord Bruce's marriage to Lord Berwick's daughter, French defeats in the Netherlands, a poor performance of the opera where he saw the Kaimacham (Edward Walsby), and the financial crisis; with news of his children, the suffering endured by "poor Anny", and the birth of another son to Pretyman.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.315 22 April 1793

Robert Wharton in London to Thomas Brand in Florence: commenting on Brand's letter of 26 March, events on the continent, Lord Bruce's impending marriage, a conversation with Pretyman concerning a preferment for Brand, Mountain's illness, a meeting with the Kaimacham, Prince Augustus's marriage, the attempted assassination of Prince Edward by his own soldiers and the growing resentment at the quantity of emigrated clergy in London.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.316 12 May 1793

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Florence: commenting on visits to Bartlow, Hadstock and Cambridge where they attended a musical party given by Joseph Turner at Pembroke Lodge and said goodbye to Mountain, still recovering from an abscess on the side of his head; with mention of Pretyman and his family, "Precentor John" and Dick.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.317 7 June 1793

Robert Wharton at Barton Waterside to Thomas Brand in Florence: giving an account of his parochial Visitation during which he has seen 72 churches in 3 weeks; commenting on a meeting with Prester or Precentor John (brother of George Pretyman) at Lincoln.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.318 18 June 1793

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Florence: expressing his pleasure at Lord Bruce's marriage; with comments on the birth of his godson at Hadstock (Susan Carr's second child) and Pretzman's satisfaction with the recent parochial Visitation.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.319 30 July 1793

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Florence: anticipating Brand's return; commenting on Brand's letter of 1 July, the heat and drought, his botanical studies, Brand's prospects of marriage, the character of the Duchess of Devonshire, the imminent departure of Mountain (for Canada), and concern about his own health.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.320 16 September 1793

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Florence: giving an account of a visit by Danby and his wife and their excursion to the palace of Burton Constable where they had to wait while "two large tablefulls of Papist Lords, Ladies etc." finished their breakfast before they were shown the rooms and collections of books, pictures etc.; with mention of a visit to Old Park, "Jacob Bantam" and his attempts at a mathematical puzzle.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.321 20 December 1793

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Naples: commenting on Brand's letter of 23 November with particular reference to Lord Ailesbury's failure to act on Brand's behalf, the fate of Miss Knight after the death of her mother and his doubts that Horace Walpole will be a good patron to her; with news of Richard Wharton and the family at Old Park, the safe arrival of the Mountains in Quebec and a copy of a parody of 4 verses beginning "My beds are all furnishd with fleas . . .".
Paper 2ff.

WHA.322 18 April 1794

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Florence: commenting on his letter of 26 March ; saying that their daughter Anny will be going to London with them after Easter; mentioning events in France and the raising of subscriptions for internal defence; with news of Sir James Hall and his family, his own and his Uncle Lloyd's health and their decision not to call at Hadstock and Bartlow this time.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.323 28 September 1794

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Florence: urging him to return to England, commenting on a visit to Old Park with the Bishop of Lincoln, some proposals made by the Bishop of Durham, his family's health, the inoculation of his daughter Kitty and a visit to Danby at Swinton.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.324 12 December 1794

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Munich: hoping to see him in London in the spring after the birth of his next child; commenting on the family of Brand's new acquaintance the son of an Archdeacon of Bedford (Henry Shepherd, son of Ven. Richard Shepherd, Archdeacon of Bedford), Anny's progress in music, and the disposal of some preferments by the Bishop of Lincoln; with news of Robert Wharton (Myddleton), Dick, Mrs. Hall, the Carrs' children and the death of Mrs. Ettrick.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.325 2 January 1795

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Munich: telling of the death of Dr. Thomas Wharton and the family's plans for the future; conveying a greeting from the Bishop of Lincoln; reflecting on "the times we live in"; with mention of the war, taxation, his Uncle Lloyd, Danby, and his family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.326 13 May 1795

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in London: expressing pleasure at the news of Brand's return to England and speculating as to the preferments which may be offered him; with news of his family, Dick and his cousins.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.327 29 May 1795

Robert Wharton in Brig (alias Glanford Bridges) to Thomas Brand at 20 Sackville Street, Picadilly: informing him of the imminent death of the Chancellor of Lincoln and suggesting that Lord Ailesbury should use his influence in procuring the Chancellorship for Brand; with comments on the Bishop of Durham's decision to give the living offered to Wharton to the Archdeacon of Northumberland, and mentioning his duties as executor for a gentleman of considerable fortune who has recently died in Hereford leaving estates in Yorkshire.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.328 6 July 1795

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Bartlow: saying he found all well on his return and conveying his compliments to Brand's aunts; containing allusions to literary and theological works; and asking Brand for some music and for help in identifying a plant.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.329 22 July 1795

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Bartlow: commenting on Brand's description of the living at Maulden, portraits of Pretymann and his family, Mrs. Hall's recipe for herb soup, and his concern for the poor of his parish.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.330 30 August 1795

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Bartlow: asking why he has not written for a long time; telling him that a friend of Dick's wants advice on travelling; containing a translation of "Che Dolce Liquore" he made for Anny; recommending he should read "Grounds of the Contempt of the Clergy" by Cachard; saying that he is lifting his prohibition on puddings and pies as they no longer fear a bad harvest; and enquiring how Hall and Carr organise their Sunday Schools.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.331 1 September 1795

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at the post office in Yarmouth: thanking him for some music; asking him to put a stop to Dick's plans (to travel abroad); mentioning the inventor Harbottle; repeating his request for information about Sunday Schools, and inviting him to spend Christmas with them.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.332 15 January 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Bartlow: expressing the hope that William and George (his son and Brand's nephew George Carr) will keep up a correspondence with each other; commenting on William's progress in Latin; recommending Brand should read *Alcestis* by Euripides; encouraging him to propose directly to the lady herself (Deborah Wharton?) and not through an intermediary; containing news of Dick; and explaining that it is unlikely he will be able to visit Maulden this year as he is reluctant to leave his curate in charge; with reference to some dialogues he is suspected of having written and good wishes for Brand's move to Maulden.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.333 9 April 1797

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Maulden, Ampthill: expressing the hope that Brand has now settled into his house at Maulden; commenting on the ill health of his wife and family and the current epidemic of influenza; regretting that they will not meet at Lincoln in May; saying that he will send Brand copies of catechisms on confirmations which he introduced when he became Archdeacon; accepting Brand's advice regarding William's musical education; commenting on Brand's views of matrimony in the present uncertain times and the death of their friend Mason.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.334 21 April 1797

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Maulden: saying that he is about to send Brand the catechisms together with books and other possessions left with Wharton; commenting on his recovery from influenza, his proposed journey to Gainsborough and Lincoln and the international situation; with reference to the family at Old Park.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.335 10 May 1797

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Maulden: commenting on "the dreadful intelligence from Portsmouth in today's paper" (the mutiny of the Channel fleet at Spithead), arrangements for Brand's journey to Silsthorpe in June, news of Pretymans' family, his visit to Lincoln and a petition by the Corporation and Citizens (of Lincoln?) for the dismissal of Pitt.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.336 11 June 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: telling him of Dick's visit and disappointment at not meeting Brand at Silsthorpe; hinting that he may have a new position; giving him a message for the Bishop and commenting on public matters; with mention of a visit to Flamborough Head and Dick's request that Brand should find a rare plant which grows mainly in Bedfordshire.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.337 19 July 1797

Robert Wharton from Brig and continued at Barton Waterside to Thomas Brand in Maulden: commenting on Brand's account of his return journey from Silsthorpe; apologising for not having announced the safe arrival of some seeds sent by Brand to Old Park; expressing his hopes for Brand's marriage; commenting on his own prospects of preferment, his family's health, his journey by boat and a conversation about Brand with the Bishop.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.338 23 July 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Bartlow: apologising for having been the cause of embarrassment between Brand and the family at Old Park; encouraging him to press on with his suit (of Deborah Wharton); reminding him of Dick's request concerning a plant and expressing the wish that he could share their enthusiasm for Botany; with mention of the Bishop's opinion of Lord Ailesbury.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.339 6 August 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: commenting on the lack of news from Brand and arrangements for Deborah Wharton's visit; with mention of business with the Bishop in Lincoln.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.340 12 August 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: commenting on Brand's hesitation in writing to Deborah Wharton; telling him the arrangements for her visit which will be for at least 6 weeks and urging him to write or come; with mention of business with the Bishop concerning Huggate.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.341 23 August 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: urging him to make up his mind about Deborah Wharton; commenting on her health and movements after leaving them, praising the Bishop's conduct of business at Lincoln and mentioning the Huggate business and Mr. Pitt.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.342 30 August 1797

Robert Wharton in Huggate to Thomas Brand in Maulden: telling him of their arrival in Huggate; commenting on Pitt's refusal to recommend the Huggate exchange (for Silsthorpe) proposed by Mr. Whaley, a letter from the Bishop containing remarks about Brand which Debby saw by mistake, and the date of her departure; urging Brand to write to her or come.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.343 17 September 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: giving an account of their excursion to Sledmere, home of Sir Charles Sykes; containing news of the family at Old Park and their health; with mention of the new French Revolution and the publication of *Memoires pour servir à l'Histoire du Jacobinisme* by Barmel.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.344 20 September 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: informing him of the date of Deborah's departure for Sand Hutton where she will stay 3 weeks; containing anecdotes from their visit to Sledmere and mentioning the pain he is suffering from rheumatism.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.345 5 October 1797

Robert Wharton at Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: describing his recovery from rheumatism; commenting on Debby's departure, Mrs. Carr's health, the sonatas and vocal music of Camidge; saying that he has recommended Brand to his relatives at Milton Briant; complaining about the conduct of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton whom he had recommended to the Bishop of Quebec (Mountain); and containing news of his children. Paper 2ff.

WHA.346 18 October 1797

Robert Wharton at Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: complaining about a recurrent attack of rheumatism; commenting on Brand's account of a visit from the Bishop and his wife, Barmel's book (on the history of Jacobinsim), a book by Joseph Mede, Pretymann's use of patronage in favour of his brother John and their celebrations for the latest naval victory (the defeat of the Dutch fleet at Camperdown 11 October 1797). Paper 2ff.

WHA.347 29 October 1797

Robert Wharton (in Silsthorpe) to Thomas Brand in Maulden: asking for an explanation of a letter from Deborah Wharton which, he fears, implies that she has refused Brand's offer of marriage; commenting on the treatment of the pain in his leg now diagnosed as a violent cramp and not rheumatism or gout; and expressing hatred of the Dutch. Paper 2ff.

WHA.348 7 November 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: commenting on Deborah Wharton's response to Brand's offer of marriage which he is sure will be favourable, and saying that he will refuse any request to perform the ceremony as it would cause him too much emotion; with mention of Joseph Hall of Bartlow, his relatives at Milton, and the inoculation of his son John. Paper 2ff.

WHA.349 10 November 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: urging him to confirm that Deborah has accepted his offer; commenting on John's reaction to the inoculation and the improvement in his leg. Paper 2ff.

WHA.350 19 November 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: expressing pleasure at the news of Brand's impending marriage which is welcomed by all the family at Old Park; assuring him that Wharton's relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Inglis of Milton would be pleased to make his acquaintance; with news of John's recovery from small pox and the improvement in his own health. Paper 2ff.

WHA.351 15 December 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: on matters concerning the payment of Deborah Wharton's jointure, the marriage settlement and the effect of Pitt's taxation proposals; with news of the family. Paper 2ff.

WHA.352 27 December 1797

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: expressing the hope that Brand and Deborah will visit Silsthorpe on their return from Old Park; asking for a copy of Brand's visitation sermon; with comments on public events and news of the family. Paper 2ff.

WHA.353 5 January 1797 (*sic.*) [1798]

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: expressing his disappointment that Brand and his wife will not visit Silsthorpe on their return journey from Old Park; complaining about the taxes on travel; commenting on financial matters concerning Brand's lease, public events, Dick's ill health, and the improvement in William's health and learning after a stay with his grandparents in Huggate. Paper 2ff.

WHA.354 12 January 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: expressing concern at Brand's account of his illness and commenting on Debbie's apprehensions at meeting the Bishop and Mrs. Pretyman. Paper 2ff.

WHA.355 21 January 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand: commenting on the success of a mutual acquaintance, financial matters concerning Brand's prebendal estate, the news in the papers including the report that the King and Lord Fitzwilliam are taking the lead in making voluntary contributions to the war expenses, and the example set by Hall in appropriating money allowed for entertainment to the aid of the government; containing news of Dick, William who has been fox hunting, and the other children. Paper 2ff.

WHA.356 31 January 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand: commenting on the accusation that Mathias is the author "of (what I think) one of the greatest productions of this half century at least" (*The Pursuits of Literature*, 1794-97, a work satirising contemporary authors); with mention of Miss Berry, the price of the renewal of a life in Brand's prebendal estate and news of William's progress. Paper 2ff.

WHA.357 16 February 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: expressing concern at the news of Brand's sciatica and the consequent postponement of his wedding; praising a sermon by the Bishop despite the criticism it has attracted and commenting on the latter's views on *The Pursuits of Literature* and its authorship; asking for the title of Mr. Harper's pamphlet (accusing Mathias of being the author?); discussing another pamphlet on the subject of reform; and mentioning Dick's opinion of the war and other matters. Paper 2ff.

WHA.358 1 March 1798

Robert Wharton in Beverley to Thomas Brand at Old Park: conveying his best wishes for the forthcoming marriage; giving instructions for sending a copy of his (Brand's) sermon; and containing news of his family. With some rough pencil sketches of a building and windows (Old Park?). Paper 2ff.

WHA.359 15 March 1798

Robert Wharton at Market Weighton to Thomas Brand: conveying the congratulations and best wishes of his whole household on the news of Brand's marriage; with news of his children and comments on a letter from Betty and the execution of Brand's marriage settlement.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.360 5 April 1798

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Maulden: commenting on Brand's letter of 1 April ; declining the invitation to Maulden as they are fearful of a French invasion on the Holderness Coast, with mention of government plans in that event for cattle etc. to be moved away from coastal areas to a point near Bedford; containing news of his children, Dick, the family at Old Park and his niece Nanny Salvin; and praising Brand's Visitation sermon.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.361 5 May 1798

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Maulden: telling of his visit to Old Park and Offerton with news of his Aunt, cousins (Mary, Betty and Peggy), Dick and his wife Henrietta; encouraging Brand to write to Mountain in Quebec; commenting on Sir James Hall's *Essay on Gothic Architecture* and Brand's view of the current "political difficulties".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.362 18 May 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: describing how he acquired his present attack of sciatica; commenting on the misfortune of Nanny Salvin and her brother (Catherine Salvin's children), the news of the appointment of [William Lort] Mansell as Master of Trinity College, the progress of Hornsea Camp (preparation against a French invasion), the improvement in public affairs and the prospects of a good harvest.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.363 27 June 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: commenting on his wife's return from Huggate after her father's death, their acquaintance with military families in the Hornsea camp, his son John's "new dominions" in Wensleydale (inherited from Mr. Whaley), the effect of Mr. Whaley's death on William's progress, and Brand's problem with servants.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.364 12 August 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: enquiring after Deborah's health; commenting on the increase in their acquaintances and entertainment brought about by the presence of the Northumbrian Camp (at Hornsea), a visit from the Sykeses of Sledmere, the Bishop's approval of his (Wharton's) sermon, and the progress of the war; with news of his wife, Mrs. Whaley and his son John.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.365 21 August 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: expressing concern that Debbie's health may suffer as a result of their constant round of visits; commenting on her opinion of the "Madonna del Castello", Brand's appointment to Ketton, domestic matters, Dick's appointment as a commissioner and the conduct of the war.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.366 22 October 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Maulden: complaining that he has not received a letter for a long time; commenting on "the glories of Nelson" (the Battle of the Nile), news of Captain Salvin, and Dick's "golden commission" which has fallen through. Paper 2ff.

WHA.367 9 November 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Maulden: commenting on news of Debbie's health, Brand's rheumatism, the progress of the war and the departure of the Northumbrian regiment; informing him that he has added the name of William Lloyd Baker to the list of trustees in his will.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.368 30 December 1798

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Maulden: sending Christmas and New Year greetings; with comments on the weather, domestic matters, Brand's letter from Miss Knight, the family's Christmas amusements, international affairs and the Land Tax. Paper 2ff.

WHA.369 19 March 1799

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand at Maulden: conveying the reference of a previous employer for Ingram Clarkson whom Brand is considering for the post of footman and discussing the terms on which he should be employed; with mention of other applicants for the position and news of Debbie's friend Miss Allanson.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.370 28 March 1799

Robert Wharton in York to Deborah and Thomas Brand in Maulden: conveying news of Deborah's friends Miss Allanson and others, with an account of a recent visit by Nanny (Salvin) and a present received from Old Park; informing Brand of the terms on which he has engaged Ingram Clarkson and the results of his search for a pianoforte for him; with news of Dick and some verses which they have exchanged, and William's imminent departure for school.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.371 14 April 1799

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand: saying that Ingram Clarkson will join Brand at Boroughbridge on 22 April and expressing the hope that he and his wife will also be there to meet Brand; with news of Baker whose son has an inheritance from his Aunt Lightfoot, a piano he has found, Nanny Salvin, Dick and some additions to his verses, and William's first letter from school.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.372 19 May 1799

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand and his wife at Wath: congratulating them on the move to Wath, anticipating his own visit to them there in two month's time and expressing pleasure that Ingram (Clarkson) is giving satisfaction; mentioning some bills (for affairs transacted on Brand's behalf?), Mrs. Richardson's will, John Bright's marriage and a new ode by Dick; with comments on the subscription of £333 raised for "poor Stainton" (Wharton's curate Septimus Stainton c. 1766-1830, who went blind), and the possibility of visiting or being visited by Mrs. Lambton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.373 14 January 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing the hope that Brand meet Danby before the latter travel to the south-west; with comments on their new neighbour Mr. Richard Bethell, various medicines, William's progress, the new carpet for the drawing room, and the *Answer* to Buonaparte.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.374 21 January 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Wath: containing news of Danby; expressing the hope that they will be on a neighbourly footing with Richard Bethell when he takes up residence at Catfoss Hall; enquiring the reason for Sir William Hamilton's dismissal (as envoy plenipotentiary in Naples); and anticipating meeting the Brands at York in the spring.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.375 13 February 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: giving the dates of his movements for the next three months during which he will be in York for nine weeks, Gainsborough and Lincoln; recommending a housemaid to Brand and asking him to find out whether Ingram's brother is available as a replacement for his own man Joe who is seeking a better place; and expressing the hope that he will soon settle all his disputes with Billy Bethell, Richard Bethell's father, whose lawyer was deceiving him.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.376 7 March 1800

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: explaining why he has decided not to engage Ingram's brother; saying he has brought some sermons to York for Brand to see, but that he has to make a short visit to Durham at Dick's request to vote for Major Russell on Tuesday (11 March); with news of his children and Brand's new housemaid Betty Butler.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.377 5 April 1800

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: discussing two sermons to be preached by Brand, the flower seeds Brand ordered and Miss Knight's "indignation about Lord Nelson"; containing news of a weekly quartet party, his family's health, letters from Mathias and Danby, and domestic matters.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.378 25 April 1800

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning his negotiations on Brand's behalf for the purchase of a chaise, Brand's health and a message concerning the latest fashion in bonnets from his wife to Mrs. Brand; congratulating Brand on becoming a J.P. and asking him for a copy of the *Sansculottides*; with news of his family and servants.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.379 27 April 1800

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: detailing his movements for the next week and suggesting that Brand should dine with them on 7 May; commenting on Brand's debut as a magistrate and urging him to pay particular attention to the weights and measures in the locality as "I am convinced the poor are abominably injured in that way"; with news of his family, a musical party they held, and the purchase of Brand's chaise. Notes of decisions taken in a magistrate's court on the back.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.380 8 June 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: enquiring as to his health; commenting on a letter from "Our Master" (George Pretymen) which contains no invitation for a meeting with Wharton during the visitations; with mention of the construction of a new brew house and an invitation to Brand to pay them a visit.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.381 12 July [1800]

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Old Park: saying that the children have whooping cough, that he and his wife are also unwell, and proposing that their Hadstock friends (the Carrs) should delay their visit until their return journey southwards; complaining about Mr. Rd's will.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.382 29 July 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: complaining about Mr. Green (his curate); containing news of the children; anticipating a visit from Brand and the Carrs; complaining of a poor harvest; commenting on a work by Dick and an attack on Pitt by Lord Stanhope.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.383 16 August 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Wath: concerning Dick Wharton's dispute with Revd. Thomas Cutler Rudston regarding the inheritance of Sand Hutton from William Read; with comments concerning (his curate) Mr. Green and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.384 25 August 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: saying that he has informed Dick that he thinks there is insufficient proof of Rudston's "rascality" to justify breaking off all connexion with him; anticipating a visit from Brand and the Carrs; expressing the fear that the constant rain will damage the harvest; with mention of Danby and containing an anecdote about John.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.385 30 August 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning arrangements for Brand's visit; commenting on Dick's anger with Wharton and Brand for their lack of support in his dispute with Rudston, and expressing the belief that Rudston is innocent of Dick's accusations; with request that Brand should bring with him some fresh sermons, music and violin strings.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.386 25 September 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on Dick's conduct in the matter of William Read's will, Brand's intention to apply for Tanfield in exchange for his churches in Lincolnshire, Brand's neighbours Mr. and Mrs. Sargentson of Camp Hill, and the Methodist preacher Joseph Benson's *Answer* to the Lincolnshire clergy's *Report*.

(*Vindication of the People called Methodists in answer to a report from the Clergy of a district in the Diocese of Lincoln*, 1800).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.387 10 October 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: discussing the appointment of Mr. Baines to Tanfield, Brand's neighbours at Camp Hill and the Danbys; with recipes for a medicine and ointment for Mrs. Brand, news of Dick contained in a letter from Betty Wharton and comments on Benson's attack on the Lincolnshire clergy.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.388 19 October 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Mrs. Brand in Wath: asking why he has had no letter from Brand this week; saying that it is unlikely that he will be able to exchange Silsthorpe for a place on the banks of the Tees; and commenting on news of Dick contained in a letter from Anne Salvin to her cousin (Ann Elizabeth) regarding the recompense he might expect from the Russells.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.389 30 October 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: telling of a visit to Col. Creyke beyond Burlington and their journey there; recommending that Brand should persevere with his digging (as exercise); commenting on Anny's progress in music, news of Mr. Rudston, his intention of writing a charge against schismatics and Benson, and a society formed by Wilberforce to correct the principles of the Church of England.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.390 9 November 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: saying it will be some years before Anny starts going out in public as he thinks it important that girls should develop "a *taste* for *domestic* employments, comforts and amusements, on which the happiness of their life must so much depend" and describing her progress in music; commenting on news of Dick, the presence of Lady Corke at Swinton Park (Danby's house) and Brand's subscription to Messrs. Bouyer and Co. in connection with Benson's attack on the established church.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.391 17 November 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning arrangements for conveying a box containing Tim Pickering's *Statutes at Large* which Wharton is lending to Brand; and expressing his suspicions about the conduct of W. Russell, Lord of Brancepeth Castle, towards Dick.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.392 24 November 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing amusement at the news of Brand's servant Ingram's matrimonial intentions and detailing the terms on which his groom (?) Mark is engaged; commenting on news of Miss Knight, who is now in London, and of Danby's hopes of reviving his monthly musical parties; with mention of his health and the recovery of Westerby from an operation for the stone.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.393 8 December 1800

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: enquiring whether he has received the box of books, how Ingram's matrimonial plans are progressing and whether there is any news from Old Park or Offerton; with comments on his health and Anny's singing.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.394 2 January 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning a bill paid on Brand's behalf; sympathising with Mrs. Brand's indignation "about the Cork" (being obliged to receive Danby's guest Lady Corke at Wath?) and containing news of the Danbys; commenting on their health, the possibility of Ingram and Betty (Butler) becoming master and mistress of Brandsburton school and anticipating Brand's visit to York.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.395 18 January 1801

Letter to Robert Wharton in High Ousegate York from [Henry Shepherd, Rector of] Brandsburton: describing the income and duties of the post of schoolmaster at the free school of Brandsburton, accepting that Mr. and Mrs. Ingram Clarkson would be qualified for the position but doubting that the income would be sufficient; with regret that the girl his wife recommended to Mrs. Wharton has proved useless.

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WHA.396 20 January 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand: sending the above letter concerning the post of schoolmaster at Brandsburton and conveying Danby's opinion of Lady Corke.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.397 29 January 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing more information about the schoolmaster's post at Brandsburton and the inclination of the churchwardens to favour another applicant; accepting Mrs. Brand's offer to be godmother to the child they are expecting; with news of William and Anny, Tommy Salvin and a speech made by the Bishop of Chester (Henry William Majendie).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.398 4 February 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on Ingram's search for employment, the difficulty of getting good servants, William's illness, the books he has acquired from the library and the report of Pitt's resignation; with news of Rudston and Miss Allanson and asking their opinion as to whether he should visit Offerton this year. (Home of his cousin Robert Myddleton, formerly Wharton).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.399 6 February 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning John Bean a possible successor to Ingram, the appointment of another applicant to the school (at Brandsburton), the children's recovery from illness and William's future education; asking whether he has heard of a singer called Signor Sampieri and expressing despondency over public affairs.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.400 10 February 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: recommending a cook/housekeeper and asking for his decision regarding John Bean; asking him to make enquiries about Mr. Oats' school at Bishopton near Ripon; with news of Anny's illness, Mr. Rudston and a report about a change of government.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.401 17 February 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing news of his wife and baby (Robert), possible servants for Brand, the Bishop (Pretyman) and Mountain; and expressing gloom regarding public matters.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.402 25 February 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand at Wath: informing him of arrangements for visits to Durham, his farm house etc. on Framwellgate Moor, Old Park and Darlington, before coming to Wath about 20 March, and asking his views on the baby's names; with mention of another applicant for Brand's post of butler.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.403 28 February 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand in Wath: discussing the choice of names for the baby and arrangements for the baptism; praising a performance by young Pinto on the violin; commenting on public affairs, the availability and price of mortars and "a fine quantity of business" for Dick arising from land enclosures.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.404 14 March 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand at Wath: informing him of changes in his plans for visiting Wath.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.405 26 March 1801

Robert Wharton in York to Thomas Brand at Wath: informing him of his safe arrival; with comments on a letter from Robert (Wharton/Myddleton) congratulating him on the birth of the new baby, arrangements for the journey of the Brand's servant Barbara and public affairs.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.406 15 April 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Wath: containing news of his family; commenting on public affairs, "the idea of a removal from Old Park", and music making with Anne.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.407 19 April 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing relief at the change in foreign affairs brought about by Nelson's victory (in the battle of Copenhagen) and the death of Czar Paul; commenting on the Dean's imprudence in recommending several persons, including Wharton, to the East Riding Bench, the prospect of the Old Park family's removal to North Allerton and the purchase of American flour; with mention of victory celebrations at Hull and Silsthorpe.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.408 26 April [1801]

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: telling of an improvement in little Robert's health, his man Mark's accident resulting in a broken leg; praising the American flour and commenting on the campaign in Egypt.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.409 27 April 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing annoyance at the failure of Brand's cook Barbara to come up to expectations; containing news of Ingram; praising American flour; commenting on the prevalence of perjury among the farming people and his forthcoming confirmation service, the first for nine years.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.410 12 May 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Bartlow: saying that they will delay Robert's christening until the Brands' visit if that is to be soon; with comments on the Dean of Ripon's Visitation to the East Riding clergy.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.411 29 May 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand: giving an account of Robert's christening; listing his engagements for the next few weeks and arrangements for meeting the Brands when they visit; with news of Brand's former servants Ingram and Mr. Duck.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.412 15 June 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Hadstock: containing a copy of the tide tables and sailings from Hull to Barton and news of friends; expressing the opinion that the established clergy should be on their guard against the Methodists who "are making great strides in Hull"; commenting on the decision to break the Myddleton entail and the consequences for different members of the family including his own sons; sending compliments to Brand's aunts; praising his son John and mentioning possible schools for William.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.413 26 July 1801

Robert Wharton at Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning Wharton's interest in the appointment of Chancellor to Lincoln Cathedral; with comments on silhouettes of the Brands, William's education and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.414 1 August 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: discussing in detail the problems of finding a suitable school for William; with mention of the Chancellorship, hay making and public affairs.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.415 5 August 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: saying he has decided to educate William at home for the present; approving Brand's plan to arrange and revise his foreign letters with a promise that he will bring those which he has when an opportunity arises; and containing news of other members of the Wharton family including Robert and Dick.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.416 10 August 1801

Robert Wharton of Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Wath: informing him that Thomas Shepherd will accept the position as Brand's curate and asking Brand's opinion on his latest idea that William should attend Louth School with Thomas Shepherd as a private tutor; mentioning that Offerton (Robert Wharton's house) is offered for sale; commenting on negotiations with local farmers concerning their tithes; and with news of his wife and family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.417 20 August 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing the news that Wharton is to be appointed Chancellor of Lincoln Cathedral, although he is still waiting to hear from the Bishop; mentioning William's education, Mrs. Wharton's ill health and other family news; and advising Brand to follow his example in increasing the tithes payable by his farming parishioners.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.418 3 September 1801

Robert Wharton at Buckden Palace to Thomas Brand: concerning his travel arrangements, the suggestion that he should take his doctor's degree, William's education, the removal of his Aunt and cousins and a letter from Dick.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.419 5 September 1801

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: thanking him for his letter of congratulation; commenting on his new appointment, the Chancery-house and William's education.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.420 11 September 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on his return home, the difficulty of finding suitable accommodation for T. Shepherd and William in Louth, and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.421 22 September 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on arrangements for T. Shepherd and William to move to Louth; expressing relief that "Dick has behaved properly to my Aunt" and thus avoided a family breach; with mention of Paley and his residence.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.422 6 October 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: informing him that Thomas Shepherd will be taking up his duties on Sunday next; giving an account of William's progress in the classics; expressing pleasure at the prospect of the Brands' visiting Swinton; commenting on the peace with Bonaparte, the "East India plan" for T. Salvin, the Pretymans, and the removal of the "three wise mistresses" (Mrs. Brand's sisters) to the Ord House in Framwellgate.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.423 28 October 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: condemning the peace with France and voicing suspicions that Dr. Orme, headmaster of the school at Louth, is deliberately obstructing the search for suitable accommodation for T. Shepherd and William because his own boarders are decreasing in number; with comments on the appointment of Carlyle (as Vicar of Newcastle).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.424 1 November 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Mrs. Brand in Wath: mentioning the northern tour of the actor Peter Quince; explaining that their parental and paedagogic duties prevent them taking any holiday or breaks until the spring; and commenting on the silhouettes, plans for T. Salvin and news of Anny.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.425 10 November 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing further doubts as to the advisability of sending William to Louth School; mentioning that T. Shepherd was asked to change the hour of Church Service because it interfered with that of the Methodist meeting; suggesting several persons in India who may be of help to T. Salvin and commenting on affairs in Durham, the peace, and the prospect of a law suit with the Liddells and Lambtons over Framwellgate Moor.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.426 27 November 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing further information about Louth School obtained from T. Shepherd and a recipe for the gout; with mention of Dick's support (in the matter of Framwellgate Moor), Elizabeth Wharton's health, the "bad account" from Bartlow, the loss of Keene, the "shocking business" at Stokesley, his wife and children.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.427 13 December 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at the Revd. T.C. Read's, Sand Hutton: commenting on Mountain's request that Brand should find him a piano; telling him that T. Shepherd has at last found lodgings and that William will go to Louth after Christmas; with mention of a book reviewed in the *British Critic* and parish news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.428 3 January 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing news of the family, Kitty's broken arm, their new neighbours at Catfoss Hall and William's departure for Louth School at the beginning of February.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.429 10 January 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Mrs. Brand in Wath: containing family news and comments on Russian horn music, their neighbours at Catfoss Hall, the formation of the Bedale Book Club, the death of Mrs. Rosamond Constable and Reeve's diatribe.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.430 21 January 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing his opinion on Richard's intention of standing for Parliament; with news of his family, the Pretymans, and the Bethells of Catfoss Hall.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.431 6 February 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: informing him that William has not yet started at Louth because T. Shepherd has been called away; rejecting the idea of purchasing a living for William partly because he anticipates considerable expenditure on his "business at Framwellgate Moor"; commenting on recent storm damage to Lincoln Cathedral, local events and the establishment of the Italian Republic.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.432 21 February 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Baron's in the Bailey, Durham: containing news of his family and comments on the electioneering in Durham, the Bedale Book Club and Maltby's book; with request for news about friends in Durham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.433 28 February 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Baron's in the Bailey, Durham: informing him that T. Shepherd has obtained a fellowship at Brasenose College, Oxford, and will therefore be resigning Brand's curacy as well as his position as William's tutor; asking advice as to a school for William now and whether he knows where a good, cheap harpsichord can be obtained for Lincoln.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.434 4 March 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Baron's in the Bailey, Durham: expressing his shock on hearing of a family death (his cousin Mary Wharton); with news of T. Shepherd, Mrs. Pretyman's request that he should instruct the choir to sing to her new organ in Buckden church and postscript asking whether the Brands have signed a family deed which will enable some tithes to be sold.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.435 8 March 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Baron's in the Bailey, Durham: informing him that his own curate Green has expressed an interest in Brand's curacies vacated by T. Shepherd; with a confidential account of Green's character.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.436 10 March 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Baron's in the Bailey, Durham: commenting on his cousin's death and burial, a letter from Dick, his plans for draining Framwellgate Moor, William's education, Brand's curacies which will only be vacant for one year, the destruction of a plantation of trees by a local landowner, and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.437 14 March 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Baron's in the Bailey, Durham: commenting on the character of his curate Green; expressing the hope that Dick and even Robert will keep him informed about the family in Durham; explaining why they cannot yet fix a time for visiting Wath; praising Magee's *Discourses on the Atonement*; and asking his advice about writing to Elizabeth at the present time; with mention of the prospect of peace and the vacant Deanery at York.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.438 27 March 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on Brand's news of Durham, a letter from Robert which omits all reference to "the late event" (Mary Wharton's death) or the family in the Bailey, Dick's aspiration to become a member of Parliament, the succession to a subdeanery, William's progress, the failure of his attempts to drive the rooks away from his church, Ch. Constable's "demolitions" (the felling of a plantation of trees), and an anecdote illustrating the esteem in which T. Shepherd is held by the parishioners of Cockerington.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.439 4 April 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing news of Brand's rents, Elizabeth, Dick's electioneering successes, his and his family's health, including the imminent vaccination of little Robert; with request for the return of his sermon on the Good Samaritan.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.440 11 April 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning William's education and his decision to send him to Eton eventually, Brand's chances of being appointed sub-dean (of Lincoln) or prebend of Durham, the proposed visit to Wath and Miss Berry.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.441 25 April 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning arrangements for their visit to Wath and the possibility of seeing Elizabeth in Durham, other engagements, Robert's vaccination, the prevalence of (scarlet) fever in the district and other local news; with mention of Brand's plan to arrange his letters and Maltby's book.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.442 16 May 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: telling of their safe arrival home from Wath via York and thanking him and Mrs. Brand for their hospitality; commenting on the snow and frost which has destroyed the fruit, the failure of his agent to pay the tenths for Silsthorpe Rectory and the Archdeaconry; with domestic and local news including the abatement of the (scarlet) fever.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.443 26 May 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: describing the treatment given to his maid for (scarlet) fever and expressing the wish that they were safely settled in Lincoln; with mention of their visitors, the prospect of meeting Sir James Hall in Lincoln and the election.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.444 3 June 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at the Revd. Mr. Burgesses in the College, Durham: commenting on the visit of his cousins the Lloyd Bakers, and arrangements for the Wharton's removal to Lincoln; and saying that Baker has advised against sending William to Eton for at least another year as the steps being taken to enforce discipline there will "in all probability raise a Rebellion".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.445 26 June 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: informing him of his intention to go to Durham to assist at Dick's nomination and thanking Brand for his attempts to clear up misunderstandings between Dick and Wharton; commenting on "the dreadful health" of John Pretyman's wife, Brand's account of his visit to Durham, social engagements, the good shops in Lincoln and another change in his plans for William's education; with mention of a proposed visit from the Bishop and his sons.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.446 7 July 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing his perplexity in not having heard whether or not Dick needs him for his nomination in Durham this week; giving an account of their social engagements in Lincoln and the children's education; with news of the Lloyd Bakers and comments on the problem of adjusting to town life and the dearth of music.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.447 25 July 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: giving an account of his return from Doncaster; commenting on social engagements including the forthcoming visit from the Bishop, his satisfactory enquiries regarding the Spilsby Bank, the book *Castle Rackrent* by Maria Edgeworth, published 1800, and electioneering in Durham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.448 2 August 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on social engagements during the Assizes, the Bishop's visit, Dick's success in the election, and the children's education.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.449 10 August 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: giving an account of their return journey from a dinner party, and that of other guests, after the servants of the house had made all their drivers drunk; informing him that Wyatt has been asked to give an opinion on the spires (for Lincoln Cathedral); commenting on the skill of their dancing master, William's education and a recent thunderstorm which came during a rehearsal of the Dettingen *Te Deum*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.450 20 August 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: complaining that he has had no letters from the Brands, the Halls or the Carrs since the beginning of their family party; expressing surprise at the cold manner in which Sir James Hall has refused his invitation to visit; and saying that Littlehales has agreed to take William; mentioning John Pretymann's wife and the decision to consult Wilkins from Cambridge and not Wyatt (about the spires).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.451 28 August 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand: commenting on Brand's health, the use of one of Brand's sermons by the new prebendary Illingworth, visits to the Littlehales, the Bishop's insistence that Wyatt should be consulted about the towers whereas Paley is only interested in their safety.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.452 23 September 1802

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: telling of the success of his sermon on the Samaritan; commenting on Brand's health and depression, the appointment of Apthorpe to one of the stalls in Lincoln, his family's enjoyment of the life in Lincoln and reluctance to return to Silsthorne, and the decision that the spires will remain.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.453 20 October 1802

Robert Wharton at Brig and Hull to Thomas Brand in Wath: looking forward with pleasure the quieter life of Silsthorne but expressing regrets at leaving the Minster where he believes he has made some improvements in the singing; praising Littlehales' school where William is now settled; commenting on their friendly reception at Lincoln; enquiring as to Brand's state of mind and mentioning concern at his aunt's health; with postscript from Hull giving an account of the difficulties of their journey.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.454 30 October 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on their return from Lincoln and saying that, whereas his wife and family would happily stay there all year round, his only regret was in leaving the Minster services; telling of Littlehales' good report of William's progress but assuring him that William will still go to Eton "when he is equal to a highish place in the upper school"; and mentioning the Brands' acquaintance with the Monsons of Bedale, Paley, Apthorpe, Dr. Purn (?), and family news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.455 22 November 1802

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: saying his family is now reconciled to life in Silsthorpe; commenting on Anne's very great improvement in music; telling an anecdote about Dr. Paley; with mention of Dick, a "rascally mill-wright", recent appointments to livings, and the cost of their stay in Lincoln.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.456 [1803?]

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on William's dreadful journey home from school and his news of the Paleys, news of Mountain in Quebec, Thomas Salvin and Dick's petition (regarding his election); with mention of little Robert.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.457 11 January 1803

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing news of William, Anne, and T. Salvin; with mention of the family in the Bailey, Mountain and John Pretyman.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.458 [1803?]

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on news of Brand's riding accident, the difficulty of obtaining good cooks and curates, T. Shepherd's new appointment as private tutor to General Powlett's son, Brand's disputation, news of their cousins Elizabeth, Margaret and Richard, Robert (Myddleton)'s request for information about girls' boarding schools as he is concerned about his daughter's dialect, the possibility that Mountain might get an English bishopric, William's return to school, John's progress and the birth of a daughter to the Howards (Miss Thomas) in Hull.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.459 4 March 1803

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Mrs Brand in Wath: congratulating her on Brand's success in the Divinity School; speculating on his movements since then; complaining that Brand had not told him about "the great increase" in Carr's living; with family news and mention of Richard's petition.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.460 13 March 1803

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing concern about Debby's health; congratulating him on his success as Dominus Respondens; commenting on Carr's "great increase"; with mention of William's progress and the deterioration of relations with Bonaparte.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.461 15 March 1803

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing relief at the news of Debby's recovery; casting doubts as to Majendie (the Bishop of Chester)'s intentions of giving Brand a prebend: inviting the Brands to stay with them in Lincoln after the middle of June, commenting on Carr's good fortune; with mention of Dick's prospects, Charles Littlehales and the prospect of another French war.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.462 25 March [1803?]

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on news of Debby's health, Brand's proposal to visit them in Lincoln, news of the family in Durham, Richard's prospects of a compromise with Sir Henry Vane, Brand's chances of a prebend in Chester, the books he is reading (with Anne?), the music they will play in Lincoln and the death of Carr's father.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.463 18 April 1803

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing news of Paley, Dick and Elizabeth; and asking him to fix the dates of their visit to Lincoln as the Bakers are also intending to come.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.464 15 July 1803

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing satisfaction on hearing of the Brands' safe return home and commenting on their visit; containing news of Margaret, Dick's affairs, social engagements and the children's new drawing master.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.465 28 July 1803

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing concern for Elizabeth's health; commenting on social engagements, Sir Henry Vane's intentions towards Dick, and public affairs.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.466 10 August 1803

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Wharton's in the North Bailey, Durham: expressing concern about all the family in Durham especially Elizabeth and Dick; commenting on fears of invasion and the failure of the gentry and the church to give proper leadership; discussing Dick's causes which he hopes will not cause any detriment to his fortune and containing news of John's accident while playing on stilts.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.467 5 September 1803

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand : asking for news about their visit to Durham and particularly about the health of the family in the Bailey; containing news of the Bishop's family; and commenting on public discontent with the government's handling of the French crisis.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.468 [September 1803]

Robert Wharton [in Lincoln] to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on news of the families in Durham and Hadstock, and Brand's work as a commissioner; anticipating the return journey to Silsthorpe on the 7 [October]; and enquiring whether they can recommend a good dairy maid.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.469 5 October 1803

Robert Wharton at Brig to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on the popularity of the "New Song of Old Sayings" Brand recently sent to Wharton; anticipating their return home with an account of preparations against an invasion; mentioning some musical parties and that he had found a promising young contralto for the choir of Remigius; with postscript telling of their safe arrival home.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.470 6 November 1803

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: asking for recommendations for a dairy maid; commenting on preparations against an invasion; containing news of several acquaintances; and blaming the gardener at Burton for sending only a small quantity of fruit instead of the plentiful supply ordered by Lady Monson.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.471 11 December 1803

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on their new servants, Sir Henry Vane's action against Richard, the problems of drawing up Chapter accounts to comply with the new Act (Income Tax?) and his own appointment as commissioner under the Act; with news of his children and Paley's health.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.472 [19?] February 1804

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on the satisfactory conclusion of some family business concerning Robert, Margaret and Elizabeth in Durham, his intention of placing his own title deeds in his house at the Minster, the lack of preparations for the defence of the Humber, his fears for the King, William's progress and his decision to put John with him, the petition against Richard, the new drawing master's skill on the violin, and Dick's *Fables* which Wharton considers too shocking for publication.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.473 29 April 1804

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Mrs. Brand in Wath: expressing pleasure at the news of Brand's new employment; commenting on news of the Pretymans and the rumour that Paley wishes to exchange his winter residence (in Lincoln) with Wharton's in the summer; asking her to correct the misunderstanding that all the Old Park and Bailey family will visit Lincoln at the same time as the house is too small; with mention of the girls' progress in drawing, the drawing master's musical skills, the capture of English vessels off Portugal and the Humber and the death of Carlyle.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.474 20 May 1804

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on matters relating to Lincoln Cathedral and the Bishop's staff; responding to Brand's request for a suitable Visitation sermon with an offer of one against Methodist preachers; and mentioning the pleasure of hearing Anne and the drawing master playing Mozart, Schobert and Corelli. Paper 2ff.

WHA.475 20 June 1804

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing news of Margaret and Elizabeth's visit to Lincoln, and Mrs. Pretyman's health; with comments on his own sufferings from the onset of asthma which he has never experienced before, Dick's writings, and his actions against a man named Pickersgill. Paper 2ff.

WHA.476 9 July 1804

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on Elizabeth and Margaret's visit to Lincoln and Brand's Visitation sermon to be preached in front of the Bishop of Chester; expressing the hope that Richard's current preoccupation with poetry will distract him from electioneering; with mention of the improvement in the health of John Pretyman and his wife. Paper 2ff.

WHA.477 16 July 1804

Robert Wharton (in Lincoln) to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning Elizabeth and Margaret's safe arrival at Wath, the improvement in his health, counsel (Chapter?) meetings, and the Bishop's advice that William should be lodged with one of the masters or assistants when he goes to Eton and not at a Dame's. Paper 2ff.

WHA.478 17 August 1804

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on Elizabeth and Margaret's visit; recommending he should ask Elizabeth's advice about his sermon on the Samaritan for the Bishop of Chester's Visitation; mentioning Debby's health, John's progress under Littlehales, his apprehensions at sending William to Eton in October and the translation of a Greek ode by Littlehales' nephew. Paper 2ff.

WHA.479 and 480 1 September 1804

Letter from V.P. Littlehales of Burton Parsonage to Thomas Brand in Wath responding to Brand's request for a copy of his nephew's translation of a Greek Ode by Mr. Tomline and commenting favourably on William's progress; with letter from Wharton to Brand, dated 2 September 1804, expressing the hope that Majendie, the Bishop of Chester, will give Brand some real proof of his friendship and asking him to recommend a housekeeper for Littlehales who could take care of the boys. 1f and 2ff.

WHA.481 18 September 1804

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Bartlow: telling him of arrangements for taking William to Eton and proposing that Brand should accompany them; expressing his fears that William will neglect the classics in Eton in favour of scientific experiments; with mention of a public breakfast at Burton during the races. Paper 2ff.

WHA.482 2 November 1804

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: giving an account of the dental treatment given to John; criticising Littlehales for not having procured a new housekeeper and for being too severe with the boys; expressing disappointment at Majendie's failure to make Brand Chancellor of Chester or give him another profitable office; containing news of William and Richard who is still actively electioneering and mention of Miss Knight's visit to Buckden.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.483 and 484 3 December 1804

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand (in London): commenting on news of the Halls and Carrs; asking him to recommend singing, playing and drawing masters for Kitty and Anne when they visit London and to arrange a meeting with Cornelia Knight; with notes containing the names of several teachers.

2ff and 1 piece

WHA.485 4 February 1805

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand at the Revd. Joseph Hall's in Bartlow: commenting on his idea of moving from Silsthorpe, cough recipes and the prospect of meeting Miss Knight; with news of his children.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.486 21 February 1805

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on his (Wharton's) prospects of obtaining other benefices and the death of Fardell, Lincoln Cathedral Chapter's "man of business"; asking Brand's advice about his Visitation sermon and whether the man riding behind their carriage in London should be in livery; with mention of Brand's interest in the "Little Ripon Prebend" and his children.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.487 1 March 1805

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: discussing the merits of having different music teachers for Anne and Kitty while they are in London as the latter is less advanced; describing the lodgings found for them by Lloyd Baker and asking his advice regarding servants; saying they will be too large a party to stay for a visit at Bartlow or Hadstock; and mentioning the possibility of their moving from Silsthorpe, Paley's health, William's accident at school, Richard's health and an injury to his own foot.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.488 11 March 1805

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: concerning arrangements for their visit to London and for looking after Silsthorpe in their absence; with news of the death of Mrs. Beverley in childbirth and William's recovery.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.489 13 April 1805

Robert Wharton from No. 1 New Bond Street to Thomas Brand in Wath: describing the difficulty he had in persuading Cramer to give Anne some lessons, containing comments on their other teachers including Ferrari and [William?] Payne; with mention of the poem *Cambuscan*, a meeting between Mathias and Mrs. Gillies whose husband (?) had not been "very civilly handled in the *Pursuits* etc.", the doctor's opinion blaming his cough and asthma on the state of his liver and kidneys, and his official duties attending the Bishop in his capacity as Dean of St. Paul's.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.490 4 May 1805

Robert Wharton from No. 1 New Bond Street to Thomas Brand in Wath: giving an account of visits to Miss Knight and concerts; with comments on *Cambuscan*, William's experiments with electricity, political matters, the Catholic question, panoramas of Edinburgh and Paris, Ainslie, the imminent death of Dunn's brother and the Lloyd Bakers' distress about their infant boy.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.491 30 May 1805

Robert Wharton from 1 New Bond Street to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on performances by Grassini, Billington, M. and Mme des Hayes, the Ancient Music at Hanover Square attended by the Royal Family, the meeting of the charity schools at St. Paul's, their future plans to visit Eton and Windsor, his health, Paley's death and news of Hadstock and Bartlow from Carr.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.492 3 June 1805

Robert Wharton from 1 New Bond Street to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing news of his health, the girls' music and dancing lessons, Miss Knight, Richard's proposal to visit Lincoln during the Assize week in the middle of July, Paley's successor, and William's activities at Eton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.493 20 June 1805

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on the news of Thomas Salvin's death, Wharton's prospects of a Yorkshire living, a meeting with Bailey (Paley's successor as Subdean of Lincoln) and a visit to Brand by Lord Ailesbury.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.494 11 July 1805

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on the cost of making the subdean's house habitable, Brand's appointment as prebend of Ripon, his own hopes of succeeding Bowerbank and the rebuilding of Littlehales' house.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.495 24 July 1805

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on the news that the living of Croft has been given to someone else.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.496 5 August 1805

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: informing him that the Bishop and Mrs. Tomline are on a visit to Harrogate; commenting on his disappointment (in the matter of Croft) and the auction of Paley's goods; with news of social engagements and his family, and enquiring whether Lord Grantham has any ecclesiastical patronage.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.497 8 December 1805

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: informing him of their safe arrival for his winter residence; commenting on the children's chicken pox, the recurrence of his cough, Richard's stanzas on Lord Nelson, recent ecclesiastical appointments including Jacob's prebendal stall at Salisbury and the installation of Bowerbank's successor, and public affairs.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.498 Good Friday (4 April) 1806

Robert Wharton (in Lincoln) to Thoams Brand in Wath: commenting on the recent visit of the Old Park family with particular mention of Anne Salvin and Richard Wharton's poems which are not to be published; with mention of William's visit to Lloyd Baker at Fulham, Hall's discomfiture at the assizes, the improvement in his health, the Bishop's family and the proposed statue to Pitt in Cambridge.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.499 18 May 1806

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on their return from Lincoln, the new building additions (to the rectory), the state of the gardens and William's exploits at school with mention of Brand's rents and "poor Hall's trial". The back page contains rough calculations relating to tithes and personal expenses.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.500 9 June [1806]

Robert Wharton in Beverley to Thomas Brand in Wath: saying that he is in Beverley to sort out an error in his tax affairs for 1804 and enclosing a letter he has just received from Bayley (the Subdean of Lincoln).
Paper 2ff.

WHA.501 13 June 1806

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing pleasure at the prospect of a visit from the Brands; commenting on Brand's search for a chaise, Littlehales' tour of the East Riding, the Monson family, the completion of their building works, a favourable review of *Latinus* (by Miss Knight), and a work by Ely Bates.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.502 5 July 1806

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: conveying Mr. Shepherd's recommendation for a cure for Brand's recurrent ill health; with mention of Kitty's health and the building works.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.503 25 July 1806

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing pleasure at the news of the improvement in Brand's health; mentioning William and Kitty, his hopes of receiving visits from the Brands and "our Durham friends" when the new rooms are ready; and sending some Latin lines sent by Baker which he (Wharton) and Littlehales have been unable to translate.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.504 3 August [180]6

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand at Wath: informing Brand of a post chaise for sale; containing news of William and John; asking Brand to recommend him a good curate and whether he knows of Margaret and Elizabeth (Wharton)'s intentions.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.505 23 August 1806

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: giving an account of the family's tour of North Yorkshire including visits to Burlington, Filey, Scarborough, Castle Howard, Duncombe Park and Sledmere; and expressing the wish that Brand would visit when William is home so that they could discuss experimental philosophy together.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.506 12 October 1806

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Thomas Brand in Wath: proposing that Brand should visit them in Lincoln when William is at home; commenting on the failure of his "Escrick cousin" to offer him the living at Marston, Miss Hamilton's letters, the recurrence of his attacks of asthma, Dick's affairs and the music of Durante.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.507 11 November 1806

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Wath: containing congratulations and comments on Richard's success in the election; asking for Brand's recipe for sour kraut; and mentioning Mr. Tomline (the Bishop of Lincoln's eldest son)'s forthcoming speech on "The character of Mr. Pitt" at the Trinity Anniversary, the Bishop of Quebec (Mountain) and William's construction of a model steam engine.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.508 15 November 1806

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Wath: chiding Brand for giving way to depression and cutting himself off from his friends; commenting on the favourable reaction to Richard's election and the improvement in his temper and conduct; with mention of the Precentor (John Pretymann)'s refusal to renew one of the Lincoln leases.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.509 23 November 1806

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting further on the nature of Brand's malady which is the sense of his declining powers; urging him to have a change of scene; with mention of Lord Stanhope's new system of tuning (the traverse harp?), the high opinion in which Brand is held in his neighbourhood, the county election in Durham and Bayley (the Subdean of Lincoln)'s praise of Tomline's speech on Mr. Pitt.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.510 10 December 1806

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on Brand's business with Mr. Noel Noel; expressing the wish that the Brands would visit while William is with them; mentioning William's experiments, a meeting with an old acquaintance named Peirse who is a neighbour of the Brands, news from Elizabeth that they have found a new house, new ballads and Sir James Hall.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.511 17 January 1807

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: asking for news of Margaret and Elizabeth; telling of William's return to Eton now that all danger of the fever there has passed; praising Mr. Tomline's speech; commenting on the Bishop of Lincoln's "arrangements" for members of his family and speculating that he might be offered London on the death of the present bishop (Beilby Porteous).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.512 2 February 1807

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: commenting on the low state of Richard's health and spirits, the prospect of a visit from Brand in March, Robert Myddleton's family affairs and the education of his daughters, and the war with Bonaparte.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.513 27 May 1807

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand at Bartlow: saying he has just returned from the election at York where he voted for Wilberforce and Lascelles, and commenting on conversations there about Brand and his own disappointment of a Yorkshire living; with mention of Robert's affairs, Mr. Duncombe, rumours about the Bishop of Lincoln and Danby.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.514 16 June 1807

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand in Wath: expressing annoyance at the outcome of the Yorkshire county election and Lascelle's defeat (by Charles William Winkworth Fitzwilliam Visct. Milton); commenting on Richard's success in topping the poll (for Durham City) and Robert's forthcoming marriage; containing information about subscriptions to Littlehales' appeal for a lunatic ward to be added to Lincoln hospital, the bishop's poor reaction to the project and renewed proposals for pulling down Lincoln Cathedral's spires, and the recommendation that Brand should keep bees; with mention of Sir W. Forbes's *Life of Beattie* which he particularly enjoyed "from having known so many of the characters personally.

James Beattie (1795-1803) poet, essayist and moral philosopher, *DNB*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.515 27 November 1807

Robert Wharton in Silston to Thomas Brand at Mrs. Wharton's in the Bailey, Durham: commenting on the *Diabolical Breakfast* a poem/essay by Brand, rumours circulating (about Anne?), the possibility of Richard using his new friendship with the Bishop of Durham to secure preferment for either of them, the offence caused to the Bethell family and Littlehales by his choice of tutor for John and the problems the new Archbishop of York, Vernon, will face; with mention of the pain caused by his foot.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.516 11 January 1808

Robert Wharton in Lincoln to Thomas Brand in Wath: complaining of the pain he has endured from an ulcerated foot; commenting on the improved appearance of the Minster in consequence of the loss of the spires; and containing news of Anne Salvin, Richard's "theological" dispute with Hall Wharton, Littlehales, Christopher and George Bethell, the family's health and a contested election; with mention of Brand's business affairs.

Paper 2ff.

Revd. Robert Wharton: letters from Revd. Thomas Brand, Sir James Hall and J.H. Jacob

WHA.517-742 1776-1807

WHA.517 [October 1776]

Thomas Brand in Newmarket to Robert Wharton in Durham: expressing his thanks after a visit to Durham and to Old Park; giving an account of his journey back; and informing him that, according to Pretzman, there will be no ordination.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.518 [Spring 1778]

Thomas Brand (in Cambridge) to Robert Wharton at Durham: discussing opportunities for preferment for Wharton near Cambridge and commenting on the aptitudes of his student of a month (Sir James Hall). Signed Bluemenkrantz.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.519 [July/August 1778]

Thomas Brand (in Oxford) to Robert Wharton in Durham: describing expeditions to Greenwich, Buckinghamshire, Oxford, Ditchley and Blenheim in the company of Sir James (Hall).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.520 22 August [1778]

Thomas Brand in Salisbury to Robert Wharton in Durham: giving an account of his tour of Cornwall (with Sir James Hall) including visits to Dôlcôth copper mine, the stone circle at Carn Brea near Redruth, a tin mine, and the return journey through Plymouth, Exeter and Sherborne; with mention of Lord Digby's pleasure grounds at Sherborne and Brown's improvements there.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.521 [September (?) 1778]

Thomas Brand at Bury or Newmarket to Robert Wharton in Durham: proposing diversions to lift Wharton out of his melancholy and commenting on social engagements in Bury.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.522 11 July 1779

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton in Durham: giving an account of crossing the Channel and their journey to the Hague.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.523 17 July 1779

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton in Durham: describing the canals, streets and houses of the Hague, commenting on their cleanliness and the absence of society and entertainment during the summer.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.524 30 July 1779

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton in Durham: describing the Dutch manner of dress and the exhibits and paintings in the Prince of Orange's cabinets.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.525 27 August [1779]

Thomas Brand (in the Hague) to Robert Wharton in Durham: commenting on their tour through North Holland visiting Leyden, Utrecht, a Moravian settlement at Ziet and Amsterdam.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.526 12 September [1779]

Thomas Brand in Brussels to Robert Wharton in Durham: giving an account of their journey through Holland and expressing amazement at the Cathedral and churches in Antwerp with their paintings by Rubens and Vandyke.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.527 16 October 1779

Thomas Brand in Ambilly to Robert Wharton in Durham: distinguishing between attraction to the Roman Catholic religion and admiration for its art; praising the minister of the English Kirk in the Hague; commenting on his difficulties in speaking French, Wharton's suit of Jenny R. and acquaintances in Geneva.

(Jenny Reed (?). See Brand's letter to Wharton, 29 December 1782, No. 575)

Paper 2ff.

WHA.528 14 December 1779

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Durham: giving an account of his life in Geneva with Sir James (Hall).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.529 10 January 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Durham: giving an account of the concerts in Geneva.

Paper 2ff.

See Lister, Warwick, "In brief: new light on the early career of G.B. Viotti", *Music & letters*, 83 no 3 (August 2002), 419-425, on this and the next item.

WHA.530 20 January 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Durham: commenting on a recent concert, the prospect of peace (with America), the possibility of a French invasion of Geneva, the bears in Berne, a publication of the works of Rousseau with a set of engravings depicting views of Switzerland, Voltaire's intention of making a character in one of his tragedies die of chagrin and the weather.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.531 10 March 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Durham: expressing pleasure at the news from George Pretzman of Wharton's appointment to a vicarage and asking for more detailed information; describing the Geneva Fair and commenting on a portrait of himself in the classical style.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.532 22 March 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Durham: imagining Wharton's life as Vicar of Bedale and containing a story, in French, taken from *Voyages dans les Alpes* by M. de Saussures which he thinks would make a good subject for a poem, with copies of two rhymes in French.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.533 7 April 1780

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Durham: asking, on behalf of a Professor of History at Schaffhouse, for some information on Welsh history and expressing his disappointment with an excursion to see the Perte du Rhône.

In French and English.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.534 25 April 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Durham: commenting on the living at Bedale, the character of Danby "an oddity who was formerly of Christ College" who lives in the same area, concerts and balls in Geneva, his own awkwardness in company and describing some debates in the Divinity School.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.535 24 May 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward containing a copy of "Larmes sur la mort de Pindare" which cured his recent depression; giving an account of their climb of Salève, a mountain of the same height as Snowdon, and their encounter with a priest in one of the villages on the way.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.536 4 June 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: describing the state of religion in Geneva and informing him of the arrival in Geneva of their friend Jacob; with postscript added by Jacob congratulating Wharton on his preferment.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.537 1 July 1780

Thomas Brand in Ambilly to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: describing another two expeditions to Salève; and asking him to send some copies of glees and catches.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.538 17 July 1780

Thomas Brand in Ambilly to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: telling him of excursions in the Alps and of plants he has collected; commenting on the performance of Mlle. Saintval in *Semiramis* and on the cheerfulness and energy of the peasantry gathering in the harvest.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.539 9 August 1780

Thomas Brand in Zurich to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: rhapsodising over the glaciers and precipices they have seen in the past three weeks and promising to write detailed accounts of their travels during the winter; describing the attempts of a M. De Vermonoul to improve the social life of Zurich by holding a Fête; and saying that he may not be able to write again before the return to Geneva.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.540 27 August 1780

J.H. Jacob, in Geneva with Sir James Hall and Thomas Brand, to Robert Wharton: describing some excursions, their music making and an encounter with a recruiting officer from the King of Prussia.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.541 1 September 1780

Thomas Brand at Ambilly to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward reflecting on his journey through the Alps.

Part 1 of the Journal of his Swiss tour.

Language: French

Paper 2ff.

WHA.542 Postmarked 6 October [1780]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: giving a detailed account of their journey through the Alps.

Part 2 of his Journal.

Language: French

Paper 2ff.

WHA.543 21 September 1780

Thomas Brand in Ambilly to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: containing his account of their journey along the Arve valley in the French Alps.

Part 3 of his Journal.

Language: French

Paper 2ff.

WHA.544 2 October 1780

Thomas Brand in Ambilly to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: continuing his account of their tour of the French Alps with a description of the glaciers on Mount Blanc.

Part 4 of his Journal.

Language: French

Paper 2ff.

WHA.545 Postmarked 30 October - received 4 November [1780]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: praising the French language; continuing his account of their tour of the Alps from Montauvert; commenting on the economy of the region, the difficulties encountered in crossing a glacier and the sight of an avalanche.

Part 5 of the Journal.

Language: French

Paper 2ff.

WHA.546 Postmarked 11 November [1780]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: continuing his account of their tour of the Alps from Chamouni to the Valais, recounting his attempts to find suitable reading matter when the weather kept them indoors for three days and lamenting the damage to his Tenor (Cello) caused by the skates his father had packed in the same parcel.

Part 6 of his Journal.

Language: French

Paper 2ff.

WHA.547 Postmarked 1 December [1780]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: continuing his account of their tour through the Alps from Chamouni to the Valais via le Col de Balme for the best view of Mont Blanc (unseen because of the weather); with a description of the inhabitants of Martigni and the bridge over the Rhône at St. Maurice.

Part 7 of his Journal.

Language: French

Paper 2ff.

WHA.548 Postmarked 11 December [1780]

(Sir James Hall) in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on life in Geneva, giving a detailed description of the waltz, and praising the "Epitaph" contained in Wharton's letter to Brand (4 November 1780).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.549 12 December 1780

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: concerning, among other matters, his attempts to understand M. Le Sage's "System" an explanation of the force of Gravity, the present of a painting by M. De La Rive, and the good character of himself and Sir James Hall given to the King by M. De Salgas.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.550 [Spring 1781]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton at T. Lloyd's Esq., 15 James Street, Bedford Row, London: commenting on the date of their departure from Geneva and the value of letters of recommendation, including quotations from letters written by Miss Knight recommending Brand and Sir James Hall to several scholars (in Paris); with news of Jacob and social engagements.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.551 10 May 1781

Thomas Brand in Paris to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on a performance of the opera *Iphigenie en Tauride* by Piccini, the paintings in the Louvre and Palais Royal, his preference for the Comedie Française as opposed to the Comedie Italienne and the new church of St. Genevieve.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.552 Postmarked 4 June [1781]

Thomas Brand (in Paris) to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: complaining that Wharton had not written between 25 February and 17 May; commenting on verses written by Mr. Grey for Madame de Viri and his own setting of the same; giving an account of their acquaintance with Mme. de Vermonoux and the dismissal of M. Necker from the French government.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.553 27 June 1781

Thomas Brand in Paris to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: giving an account of their excursion to Chantilly and Ermenonville and of a memorial service for the Empress of Germany held at Notre Dame; with news that he intends leaving (for England) on 1 July.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.554 21 August 1781

Thomas Brand in Inverary to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: explaining that he and Sir James are touring the highlands of Scotland as Sir James's guardians do not wish him to stay in Dunglass before he is of age; drawing comparisons with foreign travel and saying that he has agreed to stay with Sir James for another year.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.555 6 September 1781

Sir James Hall in Dunglass to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward on their return from touring Scotland: inviting Wharton to Dunglass; with note added by Thomas Brand.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.556 27 October 1781

J.H. Jacob in Lucca to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: giving an account of his sight-seeing tours of Turin, Genoa, Leghorn and Pisa.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.557 18 November 1781

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: describing their accommodation in George's Square and its surroundings; comparing Edinburgh with Geneva for natural beauty; commenting on the Chemistry lectures they are attending and other activities; with mention of a mourning concert for Lord Kelly to be held the following week.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.558 2 December 1781

Sir James Hall in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on an ode, the ballad and other lines written by Wharton; mentioning a ball and his interest in Scottish words and accent; with note added by Thomas Brand referring to political events.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.559 9 December 1781

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on Wharton's ballad ridiculing Roman Catholic beliefs and advising caution in circulating it; containing accounts of a visit to Sir James Clerk's house at Pennicuik and the lectures in Edinburgh; with mention of their friend Jacob.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.560 5 January 1782

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: describing the festivities at Dunglass; containing news of George Pretzman, acquaintances in Geneva, and Jacob; with words and music for a catch of his own composition and two verses written in French by his sister for a little girl of six years old.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.561 26 January [1782]

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Durham: telling of the death and will of Sir James Hall's uncle Sir John Pringle; with comments on events in Geneva and an account of the mourning concert in memory of Lord Kelly; proposing Wharton should join him for a tour of the highlands when lectures end in May and then go on with him to Newmarket.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.562 21 February 1782

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Durham: giving an account of their social activities and skating on the lake; recounting stories told by Mr. Selwyn and news that "the old serpent" in Cambridge is to become the Rector of Framingham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.563 [11] March 1782

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Durham: containing news of friends and acquaintances, comments on political events and a description of a lady "The greatest original I ever met with"; mentioning the energy of the Duchess of Gordon, a performance by Meredith from Durham Cathedral choir, and events in Geneva.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.564 20 March 1782

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on preparations for the (Easter) Sacrament at Bowland, May's suicide and the proficiency of some deaf students; and anticipating his evening's entertainment at the Catch Club.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.565 April 1782 [Postmarked 9 April]

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton at Thomas Lloyd's, 15 James Street, Bedford Row, London: commenting on an Elegy on the death of Lady Helen Boyle written by Lord Glasgow's tutor, the Catch Club in Edinburgh, published collections of catches, an amateur performance of *Acis and Galatea*, political events and Pitt; and encouraging him to go and see the dancer Theodore.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.566 19 May 1782

Thomas Brand in Edinburgh to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: expressing the hope that they can meet at some point during his journey south; containing news about events and their friends in Geneva after the insurrection; describing the tombs at Grey Friars and Scottish funeral customs.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.567 [May/June 1782]

Thomas Brand (in Dunglass) to Robert Wharton at Old Park: commenting on Wharton's letter of 17 and 24 May 1782 ; saying that he may have to stay with Sir James throughout the summer; describing their attendance at the General Assembly in Edinburgh; and giving an account of some 17th century music parts and books he has discovered in Sir James's library.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.568 29 June [1782]

Thomas Brand in Dunglass to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on a recently received letter from Wharton in which he tells of his rheumatism and praises poetry and music above mathematics; urging him to join himself and Sir James in a tour of the Lake District; and conveying more news from Geneva.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.569 [Summer 1782]

Thomas Brand (in Newmarket) to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: giving an account of his journey to London; expressing annoyance that despite having travelled so quickly without stopping to visit Old Park or Durham the question of his employment as tutor to Mr. Graham of Netherby is still not settled; mentioning that he has refused an offer to go to St. Peterburg with "a young Russian" and a day spent at Freckenham with the Bates's (Henry and Joah).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.570 [October 1782]

Thomas Brand (in Cambridge) to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: expressing sympathy at Wharton's disappointment (in his suit for Sarah Whaley?); commenting on his father's financial difficulties, arrangements for going abroad with Mr. Graham and the letters of Rousseau.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.571 October 1782

Thomas Brand in Cambridge to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: saying he has been too busy playing quartets and talking with Jacob and others to answer Wharton's letter sooner and describing his efforts to obtain employment through the patronage of Pitt or the Bishop of Ely; with mention of James Graham, Sir James Hall and a book *The Confessions* (by "Compère" Matthieu?) which he recommends to Wharton but not to any young man or woman.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.572 14 October 1782

Sir James Hall in Dunglass to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: describing the famous Suph Johnstone "original in all her ways"; commenting on Brand's new position with (Sir James) Graham and his tour of the Lake District; encouraging Wharton to write more poetry; and with an invitation to visit them in the winter.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.573 Postmarked 21 November [1782]

Thomas Brand in London to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: outlining the proposed tour with Mr. (soon to become Sir) James Graham and recommending Wharton to buy a new edition of Handel's Italian duets; with mention of George Pretyman, Sir James Hall and a portrait of Dr. Glyn.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.574 29 November 1782

Thomas Brand in Queen Ann Street (London) to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on the book by Compère Matthieu; praising the acting of Mrs. Siddons; mentioning improvements to the theatres and opera house, performances at the opera, a concert by the Anacreontic Society at the Crown and Anchor and a pamphlet in defence of Lord Shelborne.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.575 29 December 1782

Thomas Brand in Paris to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on their journey and Sir James Graham's first impressions of France, two operas he saw before leaving London and a meeting with Jenny and Peggy Reed; warning that Wharton's ode on the Duchess of Gordon's "posterity" might damage his future prospects if he does not take care who sees it.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.576 2 February 1783

Thomas Brand in Paris to Robert Wharton at 15 James Street, London: saying they have been delayed in Paris by Sir James's illness; mentioning the operas and plays he has attended including a piece called *Tom Jones à Londres*; and commenting on the Peace signed between France and England (at the end of the American War of Independence).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.577 12 March 1783

Thomas Brand (in Toulouse) to Robert Wharton at Lloyd's Esq., 15 James Street, Bedford Row, London: giving an account of their journey to Toulouse and an accident which forced them to take shelter in a peasant's cottage; with comments on Jacob's decision to enter the church.

Paper 1f.

WHA.578 16 April 1783

Thomas Brand in Toulouse to Robert Wharton at James Street, London: expressing sympathy with Wharton in his disappointments in love and preferment but advising against buying preferment; commenting on the British political scene; and giving a description of Toulouse, the surrounding countryside and their accommodation.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.579 27 May [1783]

Thomas Brand in Toulouse to Robert Wharton at James Street: commenting on Wharton's latest affection and other points in his letter of 5 May; giving an account of the prize winning poems in the Floral Games and the subject for the next year's dissertation which is "La Grandeur et l'Importance de la Revolution qui vient d'operer dans l'Amerique Septentrionale"; and mentioning some new edicts in favour of the Protestants.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.580 16 July 1783

Thomas Brand in Nismes to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on the tiring effects of travel, their excursion to the Pyrenees, Bareges, the cascade of Gaverny and Bagneres, the heat and their journey to Nismes.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.581 Postmarked 8 September [1783]

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on Wharton's letter of 1 August; containing descriptions of Avignon, an excursion to Petrarch's house and the cavern below, Marseilles during a festival, and the Château d'Yf; with a copy of the epitaph of St. Eusebia.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.582 25 September 1783

Thomas Brand in Lausanne to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: expressing disappointment at not having seen Miss Danby when she stayed at Geneva en route for Nice; giving an account of their tour of Switzerland with news of their mutual friend the *Kaimacham* (Edward Walsby) travelling with the Duke of Gloucester; describing the Hermitage at Soleure where he also saw a play in German; and commenting on a chart at Fribourg entitled "Idealis Umbra Sapientiae generalis" contrasting classical and biblical figures.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.583 6 October 1783

Sir James Hall in Vienna to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on the pictures he saw in Dresden; contributing some stories for Wharton's book of wit; giving an account of dinner with Prince Kauntiz; and mentioning the Montgolfier balloons.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.584 24 October 1783

Thomas Brand in Turin to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on an Italian sermon sung in the church of St. Christina, his father's health, their journey through the Mont Cenis pass including an encounter with a singer and musician coming from Russia, the ballet and opera in Turin.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.585 17 November 1783

Thomas Brand in Bologna to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: saying that he has delivered Wharton's letter to the Canonico (an Italian artist/copyist); mentioning introductions they have had, complaining of the cold weather; giving an account of their journey from Turin, the opera in Alexandria, Genoa and the English company there; and asking for information about a Scot, Mr. Berry, who is well connected with the great Yorkshire families through his wife, a member of the Seaton family, as one of his daughters and Sir James Graham appear to be forming an attachment to each other.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.586 18 February [1784]

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in James Street: complaining of the length of time since he received a letter from Wharton and expressing their anxiety to know of political events in England and whether Pitt is still in power; commenting on Sir James Graham's recent illness, his treatment by an English physician, Metcalfe, and the discomforts of a bad winter in Italian houses; reflecting on the ruins of Pompei; and mentioning the presence of the King of Sweden and the Emperor, and an excursion to the crater of Vesuvius.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.587 26 March 1784

Thomas Brand in Rome to Robert Wharton in James Street: commenting on members of their class in Rome, the conduct of English and foreign visitors including the King of Sweden and the dearth of music; expressing concern for his father's health and his fears that he will have to travel again to support his family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.588 17 April [1784]

Parts of letter from Thomas Brand [in Rome] to Robert Wharton: giving an account of the music he has heard and played during Holy Week; and commenting on the admission of the King of Sweden to the Arcadian Society.

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WHA.589 16 May 1784

Thomas Brand in Venice to Robert Wharton at 15 Great James Street: concerning his notes on Byre's lectures in Rome; commenting on dinner with Lord Cowper and his wife and a visit to a celebrated Improvisatrice in Florence; giving an account of a performance of the *Tragedy of the Universal Deluge* seen in Bologna; mentioning the paintings of "the little Canonico" and the arrival of Sir James Hall; with note added by Sir James Hall. Paper 2ff.

WHA.590 June 1784 [postmarked 2 July]

Sir James Hall in Geneva with Brand and Sir James Graham to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: describing an incident during a visit to a diamond polisher in Venice when he was accused of stealing a diamond; telling of their acquaintance with a young French nobleman Prince Charles Rohan Rochefort and his tutor M. Guiraudet with examples of the latter's humour and verses; with a note added by Brand telling of their visit to the opera in Mantua where they all fell asleep, and asking Wharton to make enquiries about Mr. Laurence, heir to the Aislabee estate who might be in need of a tutor to travel abroad.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.591 10 July 1784

Thomas Brand in Paris to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on the numbers of English in Geneva and an excursion to the Lac de Joux in the Jura mountains; with mention of his plans on returning to England.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.592 30 July [1784]

Thomas Brand in Cambridge to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: mentioning his father's health, Wharton's expectations of preferment, problems with customs officials concerning his prints and drawings, and his intention of returning to Cambridge in October.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.593 8 October 1784

Thomas Brand in Newmarket to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: giving an account of his journey back from Doncaster with reference to company returning from Doncaster races including George Baker; telling him of the death of the Master (of Peterhouse) and events in Cambridge with mention of Dick Wharton; and expressing annoyance at the probable cancellation of the college meeting for which he returned south.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.594 24 October 1784

Thomas Brand in Christ's College Cambridge to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: concerning his father's health, the possibility that he will be taking a private pupil, the dispute over patronage between the Crown and Lord Egremont, a new set of Boccherini quartets, op. 33, which he urges Wharton to purchase; and describing his rooms in Cambridge.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.595 13 November 1784

Thomas Brand in Christ's College Cambridge to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: telling of an improvement in his father's health, that his expectations of taking a private pupil have come to nothing, but that he has two temporary ecclesiastical appointments as Deputy Rector of Moulton and Vicar of Exning; with news of George Pretyman, Richard Wharton and Jacob, and a verse on the Bursar of Trinity.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.596 30 December 1784

Thomas Brand in Cambridge to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: containing news of his father's health, Sir James Hall in Rome, Sir James Graham at Netherby, Dick Wharton and the *Kaimacham's* marriage to Lady Almeria; with mention of his own dull life and unsettled state of mind.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.597 2 March 1785

Sir James Hall in Naples to Robert Wharton at James Street: giving a brief account of his six months in Rome; congratulating Wharton on his preferment and expressing the wish that Brand could gain a similar position; describing the current small eruption of Vesuvius and telling of his intention to go to Sicily in a month's time.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.598 Postmarked 4 March [1785]

Thomas Brand (in Cambridge) to Robert Wharton at 15 James Street, Bedford Row, London: concerning Wharton's disappointed hopes of preferment, with news of Sir James in the Mediterranean and of Jacob.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.599 4 April 1785

Sir James Hall in Naples to Robert Wharton at James Street: expressing sympathy that Wharton's expectations have been disappointed, and telling stories about a play acted by the Capuchins during Carnival time and an incident involving a Spaniard.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.600 22 May 1785

Thomas Brand in London to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: telling of his arrangement to travel again with Mr. Duncombe for two years at £350; commenting on the death of his horse Despina, an exhibition of paintings and performances of the *Te Deum* and the *Messiah*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.601 12 June [1785]

Thomas Brand in Newmarket to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: concerning news from Old Park and the marriage of Sir James Graham; commenting on performances of the *Te Deum* and the *Messiah* in the Commemoration of Handel.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.602 13 July 1785

Thomas Brand in Newmarket to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward; saying he is in Newmarket to assist his father's work for the Tax Office; informing him that a college living has become vacant; commenting on a performance of music in Cambridge and contrasting it with what he heard in Oxford; with news of Sir James Hall in Palermo and a speech in honour of Pitt on Commencement Sunday.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.603 2 August 1785

Sir James Hall in Rome to Robert Wharton at James Street: giving an account of his Mediterranean tour and some of its hazards, including being mistaken for thieves.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.604 [Summer 1785]

Part(?) of letter from Thomas Brand (in Cambridge) to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: explaining that he cannot visit Thornton Steward as his father's business affairs require his assistance; commenting on a letter he has received from Sir James Hall, who has returned from Rome after an expedition to Sicily, an invitation from Lord Exeter to "the Freckenham couple" (Dr. and Mrs. Henry Bates) to the "grand congress at Burghly", and some new satirical odes and eclogues.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.605 25 September [1785]

Thomas Brand in Thetford to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: telling that after 10 years in the priesthood he now has his first benefice, with a description of the church and an account of his stay with Jacob Mountain while in Norwich for the induction; expressing the wish that Wharton could gain a living nearby.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.606 27 October [1785]

Thomas Brand in Cambridge to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: giving details of his appointment as Vicar of Croxton in Norfolk which has a value of £25 a year.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.607 No date (enclosed with letter of 27 October 1785?)

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton replying to Wharton's letter of 25 October 1785 explaining why Wharton was believed to have supported Harwood against Pembroke College's candidate Ainslie in the election for Professor of Anatomy; with copy of letter from Brand to George Pretyman on the same subject.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.608 3 December 1785

Thomas Brand in Newmarket to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: commenting on the misunderstanding that has developed in regard to the College election and the possibility that Sir James Graham's livings may soon be vacant; containing news of Jacob, Sir James Hall and others; and discussing Burton's *Anatomy of Melancholy* and other works including Boswell's *Journal of the famous "Transit of Ursa Major over the Caledonian Hemisphere"*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.609 14 January 1786

Thomas Brand in London to Robert Wharton in Thornton Steward: saying their departure for France has been delayed by the weather; commenting on plays and entertainments in London including performances by Mrs. Siddons and Mrs. Jordan, and dinner with Mr. and Mrs. (Joah) Bates; with reference to Sir James Graham's affairs and the disposal of his livings.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.610 10 February 1786

Thomas Brand in Paris to Robert Wharton in Durham: commenting favourably on the character of Mr. Duncombe and comparing him with his previous pupil; giving an account of the crossing and the payment of a deposit of 1,200 livres for importing an English carriage; with a description of an entertainment in which the characters were mimed by children while adults spoke and sang the words behind the scenes.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.611 14 March 1786

Thomas Brand in Dijon to Robert Wharton at James Street: congratulating Wharton on his appointment as Rector of Sigglesthorne; expressing concern about his father and asking Wharton to visit the family on his return journey from London; complaining about the society, food and entertainment in Dijon; with mention of two new acquaintances: M. De Morveaux a chemistry professor, and the underprior of the neighbouring Benedictine house.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.612 15 April 1786

Thomas Brand in Dijon to Robert Wharton, readdressed from James St. to Framwellgate in Durham: expressing his grief over the death of his father; commenting on a play *The Heiress* and the *Memoires* by Mme. de la Motte Valois; and mentioning Pretyman's behaviour to his brother (John Pretyman).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.613 24 May 1786

Thomas Brand in Lyons to Robert Wharton, readdressed from James Street to Sigglesthorne: describing the house taken by Sir James Graham just outside Lyons where he and his wife will remain until their child is born; commenting on music making and fellow musicians in Dijon and Lyons; mentioning that he has not heard from Pretyman since his father's death; and saying that after a short tour in Switzerland he does not know where they will be going.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.614 13 July 1786

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Sigglesthorne: commenting on Wharton's letter describing his parsonage, garden and absence of musical activity in the neighbourhood; complaining of Mr. Duncombe's lack of consideration; with mention of Pretyman, Sir James Hall and Miss Danby.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.615 30 August 1786

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton in Siggleshorne: informing him of the death of their host Professor Perdrian and arrangements for the family to move into the town of Geneva; with an account of their recent tour of the Alps and lakes on the borders between Milan and Piedmont.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.616 October [1786] (Postmarked 9 November)

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton: telling of the death of Miss Danby in Geneva; asking for confirmation of rumours about insanity in Mr. Duncombe's family with comments on the latter's character; and containing news of other friends abroad including the *Kaimacham* (Edward Walsby). (Part of letter missing).

2ff.

WHA.617 18 February [1787]

Thomas Brand in Turin to Robert Wharton at Micklegate, York: saying that his post is probably being scrutinised by government officials in Turin in case he is a spy; describing their way of life in Turin and commenting on operas by Tarchi and Cimarosa and the Italian Comedy (productions); with mention of an improvement in his relations with the Duncombes and his satisfaction on hearing of the promotion of George (Pretyman, appointed Bishop of Lincoln 1787).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.618 3 March 1787

Thomas Brand (in Turin) to Robert Wharton in Micklegate, York: sending congratulations on Wharton's appointment as Bishop's chaplain and thanks for his offer to join in a bond to Sir James Graham (in respect of the livings in his gift); outlining their plans to travel through Vienna, Dresden and Berlin instead of going to Rome as he would have wished; and describing a procession in honour of fifteen captives released from Turin and Algiers.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.619 31 March 1787

Thomas Brand in Turin to Robert Wharton at Micklegate, York: commenting on the conduct of Sir James Graham and giving a description of Turin and the surrounding country.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.620 16 May 1787

Thomas Brand in Vienna to Robert Wharton in Siggleshorne: describing his reconciliation with Mr. Duncombe after a dispute which nearly ended with Brand's immediate return home; giving an account of their journey via Innsbruck and Munich, including dinner with the old Elector one of whose aides de camp is Sir Benjamin Thomson, an American scientist knighted by George III; and asking for confirmation of his sister's news that he has been appointed as one of the Bishop of Lincoln's chaplains.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.621 27 June 1787

Part of letter from Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: commenting on the musical life of Vienna with reference to Haydn and the Emperor's dislike of him and his music.

Paper 1f.

WHA.622 4 August 1787

Thomas Brand in Vienna to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: expressing concern at the indisposition of Wharton's wife; discussing the causes of Mr. Duncombe's depression, their travelling plans and the indications that a continental war is imminent; mentioning music he is playing and has purchased including Haydn's *Instrumental Music on the 7 Last Words of our Saviour from the Cross* and Harpsichord music by Haydn, Mozart and others.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.623 22 August [1787]

Thomas Brand in Prague to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: giving an account of their journey with mention of a violent hail storm; commenting on the Emperor's change of policy towards the Low Countries and on stories associated with some of the sights of Prague.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.624 10 September 1787

Thomas Brand in Berlin to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: commenting on the sights of Dresden with descriptions of several paintings, a tour of the fortress and a student choir which sings in the streets to gain money for their maintenance and education; with mention of the Irish convent in Prague, the international situation and their return journey.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.625 20 September 1787

Thomas Brand in Berlin to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: commenting on the appearance and buildings of Berlin, and the military manoeuvres.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.626 6 (*sic, recte* 7) October [1787]

Thomas Brand in Brunswick to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: telling of their journey from Berlin and plans to travel to the Hague via Hanover.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.627 [October 1787]

Thomas Brand in Hanover to Robert Wharton: describing the display of military manoeuvres at Potsdam followed by a royal reception and dinner; and criticising the buildings of Potsdam for their bad taste and unsuitability, with mention of the Picture Gallery.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.628 18 October 1787

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: giving an account of their time in Brunswick, where they were entertained by the Duchess, and visits to the country house of General Walmoden (illegitimate son of George II) near Hanover and the theatre in Hanover; saying that they reached the Hague safely despite their fears of the weather, the roads, the accommodation and the French army; and contrasting the cultivation of Westphalia and other small principalities unfavourably with Holland.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.629 30 October [1787]

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: commenting on the celebrations for the victory over the French and saying that they will be sailing for England when the wind is favourable.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.630 3 December 1787

Thomas Brand in Newmarket to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: commenting on his parting with Mr. Duncombe and delays in the settlement of their account, his present employments as Bishop's chaplain and in a curacy near Newmarket, and his sister's employment in a school in Newmarket.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.631 16 December 1787

Thomas Brand in Newmarket to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: discussing the pros and cons of resigning his fellowship and taking a College living which is now vacant; commenting on his sister's inheritance from her godfather and the manner in which the new Bishop of London (Beilby Porteus) has shown his gratitude to Christ's College.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.632 12 May 1788

Thomas Brand at Stafford House to Robert Wharton in Siggleshorne (re-addressed from York): complaining that his duties as tutor to Lord Bruce include supervising the boy's amusements as well as his studies; with a description of the house and gardens and their daily routine.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.633 26 May 1788

Thomas Brand at Stafford House to Robert Wharton: praising the music heard at the Pantheon Festival; mentioning that he and Lord Bruce have dined with the Bishop of London at Fulham; commenting on the health of Thomas Thurlow the Bishop of Durham and Dr. Bates; and anticipating a visit to the trial (of Warren Hastings) arranged by Lord Ailesbury.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.634 2 July 1788

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton: commenting on Wharton's acquisition of a prebend; describing Lord Bruce and other members of the household; telling that he has recommended Miss Knight to publish her work despite his reservations about it; and mentioning his sister's forthcoming wedding in September.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.635 5 July 1788

Thomas Brand at Tottenham Park near Hungerford to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: expressing pleasure and satisfaction with his present accommodation and way of life in Lord Ailesbury's family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.636 19 August 1788

Thomas Brand (at Tottenham Park) to Robert Wharton: saying that he still has reservations about his present employment; commenting on the company who dine with Lord Ailesbury, George Pretyman's brother, and Lord Ailesbury's efforts to procure a living for Brand from the Bishop of Ely; with mention of a letter received from Miss Knight. Paper 2ff.

WHA.637 13 September [1788]

Thomas Brand at Tottenham Park to Robert Wharton: expressing the belief that Lord Bruce requires a tutor more suited to supervise his amusements than himself and commenting on the boy's conduct; mentioning George Pretyman's brother's wife; and describing in detail an etching by Miss Knight entitled "Conversation sur les affaires actuelles" on the subject of taxation in France.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.638 15 October 1788

Thomas Brand at Tottenham Park to Robert Wharton at Silston: recounting in detail his discussion with Lord Ailesbury concerning the conduct and further supervision of his son Lord Bruce; with mention of his sister's wedding.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.639 28 October 1788

Thomas Brand at Tottenham Park to Robert Wharton: giving an account of his journey to Bartlow, his sister's marriage to the Revd. John Addison Carr, Vicar of Hadstock, his mother's new house in Bartlow, and a visit to Cambridge during which he saw George Hunter, Jacob and Emly; with two anecdotes, one concerning a portrait of Wharton in the possession of Lady and Miss Knight.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.640 21 November 1788

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton: giving news of the King's health; commenting on his programme of studies with Lord Bruce, the improvement in his own knowledge of Greek and a book of aphorisms.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.641 12 December 1788

Thomas Brand in Turnham Green (Stafford House) to Robert Wharton: commenting on the King's health, political personalities and the probability of a change of ministry soon, a meeting with George Pretyman, and his relationship with Lord Bruce who he believes, would have developed better at Eton rather than on his own at home surrounded by "a set of mercenary slaves and wretches".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.642 23 December 1788

Thomas Brand at Turnham Green to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on a dinner with George Pretyman, his prospects of having another living, and political events, with particular reference to the conduct of Mr. Fox.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.643 10 February 1789

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Micklegate, York: commenting on several vacancies and preferments including Jacob's second living in Hampshire; containing news of the King and Court gossip; and with a copy of a riddle taken from the *Public Advertiser*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.644 14 February 1789

Thomas Brand at Stafford House to Robert Wharton redirected to Huggate from York: expressing sympathy on the death of Wharton's mother.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.645 25 March 1789

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Micklegate, York: telling of his latest disappointment in obtaining a stall in Lincoln; containing news of Harry Duncombe's nephew and Sir James Hall; and commenting on *The Secret History of the Court of Berlin* published by the Marquis de Mirabeau.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.646 20 April 1789

Thomas Brand at Stafford House to Robert Wharton in York: concerning Brand's prospects of gaining a stall (in Lincoln) and a ceremony in St. Paul's involving the Bishops of Lincoln and London and members of the royal family; with mention of a book on astrology he has recently acquired.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.647 22 May 1789

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton at Micklegate in York: announcing his appointment as Prebend for Ketton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.648 30 May 1789

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton near Beverley (Silston): concerning the value of his prebend; and outlining the route of his forthcoming tour of England with Lord Bruce.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.649 17 June [1789]

Thomas Brand in Oxford to Robert Wharton at Silston: telling of his collation to the stall of Ketton and hopes of staying with Wharton after his visit to Lincoln on 27 June ; describing his tour with Lord Bruce so far with comments on Lord Harcourt's house at Nuneham containing paintings and gardens designed by Wharton's friend Mason.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.650 7 July 1789

Thomas Brand near Ripon to Robert Wharton at Silston: describing his installation at Lincoln; mentioning the dilapidated state of Lipyatt's new rectory at Wath: telling of his arrangements for travelling to Silston and commenting on a letter from Dick Wharton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.651 [July 1789]

Thomas Brand in Scarborough to Robert Wharton at Silston: thanking Wharton for his hospitality and giving an account of his journey to Scarborough including a visit to Castle Howard; with comments on the society present in Scarborough.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.652 23 August [1789]

Thomas Brand at Dalkeith House to Robert Wharton in Silston: commenting on the attractions of Durham, visits to Auckland Castle, Old Park, Sir James Hall in Dunglass and Dalkeith House.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.653 [August/September 1789]

Part of letter from Thomas Brand (at Sir James Graham's house at Netherby) to Robert Wharton redirected to York from Sigglesworth: commenting on the prospects of another tour abroad, their Scottish tour including attendance at the service in Buchanan Kirk and the company at Netherby.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.654 27 September 1789

Thomas Brand in Manchester to Robert Wharton in York: concerning the imminent birth of Wharton's second child, the Archdeacon of Norfolk's command that Brand should preach at Swaffham on 6 October, and arrangements Brand has made for the performance of his clerical duties during his absence; commenting on their tour of the Lakes, breakfast at Lowther with Lord Lonsdale, and the behaviour of Lady Clackmannan towards Lord Bruce.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.655 [2 or 9 October 1789]

Thomas Brand in Matlock to Robert Wharton: praising Matlock and asking him to direct all letters, including one from Lady Ailesbury, to Brand at Lord Rawdon's, Castle Donnington, near Derby.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.656 11 October 1789

Thomas Brand at Warwick Castle to Robert Wharton at York: giving an account of their journey from Matlock and expressing concern that, as the death of Lord Huntingdon prevented their visit to Lord Rawdon, letters sent to him there will have been delayed.

On the back: a list of names (correspondents?) in Robert Wharton's hand.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.657 17 October [1789]

Thomas Brand in Worcester to Robert Wharton: expressing disappointment at not having received any letters from Wharton and asking him to direct them now to Tottenham Park.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.658 [21 October 1789]

Thomas Brand at Tottenham Park to Robert Wharton: congratulating him on the birth of a son to be named William Lloyd; commenting on the recent publication of his piece on the Grande Chartreuse and its translation into English verse by Miss Knight, Wharton's likeness to a portrait he has seen of "the Old Bishop" (Wharton's great grand father William Lloyd, Bishop of Worcester 1700-1717), Dr. Wharton's health and the appearance of Mrs. Salvin (Catherine Wharton); and requesting a copy of "Jemmy Twitcher" by Gray.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.659 13 November 1789

Thomas Brand in London to Robert Wharton at Silston: informing him that they leave for Harwich the next day; commenting on Wharton's *Psalmody*.

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WHA.660 24 November 1789

Thomas Brand in Leyden to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on the publication of Wharton's *Psalmody* and improvements his two sisters have introduced into their Sunday Schools; with an account of their journey from Harwich.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.661 15 December 1789

Thomas Brand in Leyden to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on the English church in Leyden, their acquaintances in the University including the Prince of Orange, privileges attached to being enrolled in the University and the prospects of acquiring another living in Norfolk.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.662 5 January 1790

Thomas Brand in Leyden to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on the English Church in the Hague, and the character of the Dutch people.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.663 29 January 1790

Thomas Brand in Leyden to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorpe: recommending that they save the cost of postage by making use of Lord Ailesbury's address; expressing the belief that his chances of preferment lie with the patronage of George Pretymann rather than Lord Ailesbury, and his disappointment that the frost in Leyden did not last long enough to allow any skating.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.664 19 February 1790

Thomas Brand in Leyden to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on the death of Kitty Salvin, Wharton's wife's inheritance, his own thoughts on death, news from Jacob Mountain (Montanto) concerning his appointment as Rector of Buckden, the movements of Lord Elgin, Fitzherbert and Lord Auckland and his dislike of Leyden.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.665 26 February 1790

Thomas Brand in Leyden to Robert Wharton in York: commenting on Wharton's appointment as Archdeacon of Stowe and Doctor's Degree; speculating on the possibility of Pretymann being translated to the Bishopric of Durham and telling of a visit to Leyden by the Prince of Orange; with references to the Dissenters' petition to Parliament.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.666 12 March 1790

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton in York: commenting on the comfort the family at Old Park might gain from the books by Neckar and Beattie which Wharton has sent them and on Neckar's petition to leave France; reproving Wharton for his taste for such pieces as the "Jew's Petition"; expressing satisfaction at the defeat of the Dissenters' Bill; speculating on the future advancement of Pretymann and Beilby Porteus (Bishop of London) with comments on some of the latter's views; and mentioning Lord Auckland's family, Alleyne, and the death of the Emperor Joseph II (February 1790).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.667 9 April 1790

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton in York: telling of Lord Auckland's dinner for the corps diplomatique and foreigners; giving an account of a concert containing performances by Todi (Portuguese mezzo-soprano Luisa Todi 1753-1833) and a solo for Double Bass; comparing the singing of Todi and Mara (German soprano Gertrud Elizabeth Mara 1749-1833); commenting on the appointment of George Horne as Bishop of Norwich, horn performances by Spandau and the refusal of the King of Naples to grant any more passports to the French; recommending Wharton to buy *Dinarbas* when it is published.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.668 14 May 1790

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton at 15 James Street: expressing his satisfaction at their final departure from Leyden tempered by anxiety for the health of Lord Bruce who is determined to enjoy all the attractions of the *Kermesse* (the fair in the Hague) despite a severe cold; with comments on some books including *Dinarbas*, Gertrud Mara the singer, and a demonstration on an organ.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.669 [May 1790]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton at 15 James Street: asking him to collect a drawing of a scene from *Rasselas* by Miss Knight from Lord Ailesbury's Seamore Place and give it to Mountain after showing it to Mrs. Pretyman.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.670 4 June 1790

Thomas Brand in the Hague to Robert Wharton in James Street: informing him of an improvement in Lord Bruce's health and conduct; indicating that *Dinarbas* is written by Miss Knight and expressing the fear that it may have aroused the jealousy of Miss Burney; describing the efforts being made by Lord Ailesbury and Mr. Lyttelton (son of Lord Westcote) to obtain the living of Stourton for him from Sir Richard Hoare.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.671 17 July 1790

Thomas Brand in Paris to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on the changes in the manner and bearing of the people and soldiers of France brought about by the Revolution; with an account of some aspects of the first *Fête de la Federation* (14 July 1790).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.672 27 July 1790

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton (in Silston): telling of his recovery from Deadly Nightshade poisoning and giving an account of their journey from Paris including incidents at Montbard, where they were obliged to show passports and at Besançon. 2ff. (Part of the second page cut away.)

WHA.673 9 August 1790

Thomas Brand in Geneva to Robert Wharton: complaining of the heat and commenting on the spread of revolutionary ideas.

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WHA.674 26 August 1790

Thomas Brand in Bern to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on their tour of Savoy and Switzerland and the improvement in the health and character of Lord Bruce; asking what Wharton thought of *Dinarbas*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.675 11 September 1790

Thomas Brand in Basle to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on their six weeks tour of Switzerland including their excursion from Zurich to the Virgin of Einsidlen and a mass for the late Emperor Joseph II.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.676 2 October 1790

Thomas Brand in Lausanne to Robert Wharton at Silston: complaining that so many of his letters are going astray; commenting on Miss Knight's book *Dinarbas*; and giving an account of the society of Lausanne which includes Mr. Gibbon (the historian Edward Gibbon, 1737-1794, living in Lausanne 178? - 1793).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.677 27 October 1790

Thomas Brand in Turin to Robert Wharton at Silston: expressing regret that he will probably have to remain on the continent until Lord Bruce is of age and thus will be older than he would have wished when he begins his career in England, but that this journey is less disagreeable than he expected; commenting on the opera in Turin and the quantity of French refugees; and saying that he hopes to be with the Knights in Genoa by the 29th October.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.678 6 December 1790

Thomas Brand in Pisa to Robert Wharton at Silston: commenting on Wharton's letter of 25 October with particular reference to the Don Antonio incident and Mountain's complaints, their reception by the Archduke and Duchess of Milan, the art collections of the North Italian cities, a performance by the tenor David at Bologna, travel between Bologna and Florence and his health.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.679 3 January 1791

Thomas Brand in Pisa to Robert Wharton at Silston: complaining that it is seven weeks since he heard from Wharton; describing the company in Pisa with a list of English and German families; commenting on the cold Italian apartments heated only by a fire in an earthen jar placed under the ladies' petticoats or hung on the arm, the financial problems of French refugees and the household of the Irish peer Lord Landaff consisting of his second wife, mistress, daughter and son (by his first marriage).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.680 21 January 1791

Thomas Brand in Pisa to Robert Wharton at Silston: asking the cause of Wharton's silence and begging him to write.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.681 24 January 1791

Thomas Brand in Pisa to Robert Wharton in Silston: expressing relief at the receipt of a letter from Wharton which had been misdirected and telling that his sister Mrs. (Susan) Carr is pregnant.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.682 1 February 1791

Thomas Brand in Pisa to Robert Wharton in Silston: expressing concern that he has had no letter from George Pretzman or Mountain; commenting on the possibility of gaining one of Lord Ailesbury's livings in Malden, near Ampthill, his pleasure at the news of Wharton's third child and his sister's baby, Wharton's *Psalmody* and his respect for Mountain's opinions and criticisms, a new book by Miss Knight and his own health.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.683 21 February 1791

Thomas Brand in Pisa to Robert Wharton in James St.: commenting on his friendship with Miss Berry and her sister, musical life in Pisa with particular reference to the organ and organist of St. Stephano and the opera, his prospects of preferment through the patronage of Lord Ailesbury, and the reception of Miss Knight's book *Dinarbas* in England.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.684 5 March 1791

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in James St.: commenting on the contents of Lord Ailesbury's letters particularly the good opinions expressed about Brand by M. de Salgas and the Bishop of Worcester (Richard Hurd); mentioning Carnival time in Florence, the opera and a comedy.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.685 [March 1791]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in York, redirected from James Street: commenting on Wharton's letter of 21 (February) ; praising a new opera or *Azione Sacra* "The Defeat of Siscra" and the performance of Maffoli but condemning the excessive ornamentation now fashionable in Italy and reflected in art and sculpture as well as in music; and describing their visit to Sienna where they saw Sir Richard Hoare's collection of drawings and an old lady "to whom Lord Ailesbury was Cavalier servente *thirty nine* years ago!"

Paper 2ff.

WHA.686 9 April 1791

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton at Huggate: speculating on the Whartons' activities during their visit to London; reminiscing about the "Seven to One" Society of their Cambridge days and the fate of its members (Wharton, Brand, Pretzman, Mountain, Job and (Edward Walsby) the *Kaimacham*); his intention of settling down as soon as he can honourably leave Lord Ailesbury's service; and preparations in Florence for the arrival of their new sovereign (the Emperor).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.687 23 April 1791

Thomas Brand in Rome to Robert Wharton in Silston: recommending him to be gentle and not severe in the exercise of his duties; commenting on the appearance and characters of the new sovereigns of Florence, Sir William Hamilton's infatuation with Mrs. Hart and expectations of having her received at court as his wife.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.688 30 May 1791

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in York: commenting on Wharton's visit to Hadstock and Bartlow, Sir James Hall's republican leanings, Brand's weariness with French men and French affairs, his admiration for Burke and fears for the spread of democratic principles in England, the tranquillity of Florence under its new sovereign, and his concern for the health of his sister Susan.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.689 25 June 1791

Thomas Brand in Milan to Robert Wharton in Silston: expressing his pleasure at the births of his nephew and Wharton's third child; commenting on the changes consequent upon the appointment of Barrington as Bishop of Durham, his meeting with Lord Elgin in Milan and the Emperor's problems; with outline of their proposed route through the St. Gothard to Inspruck, Stutgard and Carlsruhe.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.690 21 July 1791

Thomas Brand in Augsburg to Robert Wharton in Silston: giving an account of their journey from Como to Coire via Cadenabbia, Porlezza, Lugano, Monte Ceneri, Bellinzona, the St. Gothard, Fluellen, Stantzstadt and Wallenstad; with a description of the baths at Coire (Chur).

2ff. damaged

WHA.691 26 August 1791

Thomas Brand in Nuremberg to Robert Wharton in Siggleshorne: complaining that he has received no letter from Wharton for a long time; describing the attractions of Carlsruhe including his acquaintance with an English engineer named Burdett, a major in the service of the Margrave; commenting on an English garden in Schwetzingen, the sights of Heidelberg, the French army at Worms and the prospect of a counter revolution, their introduction to a young canon of the Cathedral in Mayence brother of the Imperial Minister in England Count Stadvia, the German version of an Italian opera *Cosa Rara* seen in Frankfurt, Frankfurt's Jewish population, and the quality of musical performances; with information as to the next stages of their tour, and mention of the abdication of the Margrave of Anspach now in England with Lady Craven.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.692 22 September [1791]

Thomas Brand in Inspruc to Robert Wharton in Silston: giving an account of the hospitality they received from Baron Pansmouzer (D'Ompbeda) at Ratisbon; commenting on the achievements and precarious situation of Sir Benjamin Thomson in Munich and their entertainment by the Archbishop of Salzburg.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.693 14 October 1791

Thomas Brand in Livorno to Robert Wharton in Silston: commenting on Wharton's letters of 29 May and 12 June which he has just received and other letters which have gone astray, a performance of the opera *Ninive Conversa* by Anfossi given by the Mendicanti "a sort of female conservatorio" in Venice, his aversion to the French National Assembly and hopes that in time the French will establish a government similar to the English, prospects of preferment and his ambition of obtaining a stall in Durham; with mention of the Miss Berrys and his health.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.694 6 December 1791

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: commenting on problems with the post and two letters from Wharton one written from Old Park and the other dated 9 November from Silsthorne (both now lost), the family at Old Park, Wharton's rheumatism, the climate in Naples and English society in Naples; mentioning Lord and Lady Maulden, Mr and Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Morrice, the impending visit of Prince Augustus and the Bishop of Winchester and his family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.695 10 January 1792

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: concerning the improvement in his health and spirits; and commenting on the English society in Naples with particular mention of Lord and Lady Maulden, Mrs. Morrice (a cousin of Danby), Lady Hamilton and Prince Augustus.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.696 10 February 1792

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in St. Helen's Square, York (redirected from Silsthorne and Huggate): commenting on his marriage of Lord Bruce's valet de chambre to Miss Bowdler's maid against his better judgement, the impending arrival of the "Winchester caravan" (the household of the Bishop of Winchester), the departure of Lord Maulden and others, his opinion of the Irish, Montanto and Pretyman, the opera in Naples, and the arrival of an artist named Miss Carr from Newcastle.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.697 10 March 1792

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: telling of their proposed tour of Sicily (regarded as preferable to joining the "English and Irish herd in Rome") and future movements; describing the current eruption of Vesuvius; commenting on amusements in Naples including an oratorio by Piccini *Gionata* (Jonathan), the death of the Emperor, and English politics; complaining that he has had no letter from the Bishop (Pretyman) or Mountain.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.698 3 April 1792

Thomas Brand in Palermo to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: describing Sicilian packet boats and their captains; praising Palermo, the surrounding countryside and the hospitality, taste and refinement of the Princi di Ventimiglia and his wife; commenting on the University and its observatory, Moorish and Norman antiquities, lack of roads and danger from bandits outside the region of Palermo.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.699 22 April 1792

Thomas Brand in Messina to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: commenting on news of Wharton's health and Mountain's criticism of his work contained in Wharton's letter of 16 March (now lost); praising a new work by Miss Knight; giving an account of the sights they have seen in Sicily including a description of Mount Etna.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.700 20 May 1792

Thomas Brand in Pessaro to Robert Wharton at Storts Hill near Uley (redirected from Silston): saying that they are making for Buda for the coronation (of Francis II, 5 July 1792) via Venice and Vienna and will then probably go to Poland; commenting on Lord Bruce's "awe" of Catholicism and his reluctance to check it too much for fear of bringing religion as a whole into contempt; describing the archaeological finds of Gavin Hamilton and two monuments made by the Venetian sculptor Canova; with mention of his sister Martha Hall's pregnancy and Miss Knight's book *Marcus Flaminius*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.701 23 June [91 added, possibly by Wharton; *recte* 1792]

Thomas Brand in Vienna to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: concerning his recent ill health and inflammation of the eyes which prevents him writing at his usual length.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.702 30 June 1792

Thomas Brand in Vienna to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: asking Wharton to tell Dick that he has recommended M. Monod, a young Genevan clergyman, to him; expressing pleasure at the resignation of Lord Thurlow; commenting on Lord Ailesbury's estate business, his fears for his sister Martha, the coronation (of Francis II), the Edinburgh riots and the King's Proclamation (concerning riotous assembly, May 1792), and entertainments in Vienna.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.703 18 July 1792

Thomas Brand in Vienna to Robert Wharton in Silston: commenting on a letter written by Wharton from Storts Hill on 31 May (now lost) and letters from Mountain and his curate in Brisley; expressing the hope that Wharton has now seen Miss Knight's new work *Marcus Flaminius* and asking for a copy of Wharton's ballad on the new Robin Hoods; with news of Lord Ailesbury and complaints about the dull society in Vienna.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.704 14 August 1792

Thomas Brand in Prague to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: giving an account of the celebrations for the coronation of Francis II and Marie Therese of Naples as King and Queen of Bohemia.

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WHA.705 20 August [1792]

Thomas Brand in Dresden to Robert Wharton at Silsthorpe: concerning his mother's death and Wharton's letter of consolation; mentioning several livings and Lord Ailesbury's management of his Yorkshire estates at Whorlton; commenting on the English company in Dresden and criticising the practice of sending young men abroad at too early an age; praising the pictures in the Gallery of Dresden; lamenting the fate of Poland; and requesting a copy of his ballad.

2ff. damaged

WHA.706 11 September 1792

Thomas Brand in Berlin to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: commenting on their journey from Dresden, the military intervention of the King of Prussia in French affairs and the construction of the Brandenburg Gates; criticising inscriptions on public buildings "which would disgrace a boy of the lowest form at Eton or Westminster" and praising the hospitality of Sir Moreton Eden (Britain's envoy to Prussia).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.707 5 October 1792

Thomas Brand in Milan to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: commenting on Wharton's letters of 26 August and 1 September with regard to his recommendation to Miss Knight (for another book?) who already knows some of Wharton's poems, the prospect of Sir James Hall's visit to Silsthorpe, the request for a recipe for sauerkraut, the Robin Hood ballad and the progress made by Wharton's son; giving an account of their journey from Berlin via, among other places, Potsdam where they saw the coffin of Frederick the Great, Wittemberg, Leipsig and Munich where he renewed his acquaintance with Sir Benjamin (Thompson).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.708 13 November 1792

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: giving an account of their journey to Rome during which their carriage broke, they had a dispute with a postmaster over the horses, and were stopped for want of a passport; commenting on the fears in Rome and Naples of a French invasion, the burletta and opera in Naples; and praising the singing of Lady Hamilton.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.709 1 December 1792

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: expressing doubts as to whether his sister Martha is really pregnant; describing the preparations to defend Naples against the French and their way of life in Naples; commenting on some criticisms of Miss Knight's book and the models for some of its characters; asking for more details about Sir James's visit; expressing the hope that coalition will strengthen the government in their dealings with the French and renewing his request for information about the background of Carr of Newcastle and his sister.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.710 25 December 1792

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: giving an account of the arrival and departure of the French fleet in Naples after extracting a promise of neutrality and the recall of the minister at Constantinople who had prevented the reception of the French envoy at the Ottoman Porte; expressing fears of civil war in England.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.711 26 January 1793

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: complaining about the disruption of the posts and the conduct of most of the English in Naples who associate with representatives of the (French) Republic; commenting on the Roman resistance to the raising of the Republican flag at the French consulate, celebrations in honour of the Queen's birthday including the performance of a cantata called *The Grotto* by Cornelia Knight, a new gaming table called "Rouge et Noire", a satirical piece he has written entitled "Fragments of the life and exploits of Jacob Bantam Citizen and Highwayman" and the possibility that they may be forced to leave sooner than they expected.

2ff. damaged

WHA.712 20 February 1793

Thomas Brand in Rome to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: expressing his horror at events in France and satisfaction at having left Naples; commenting on the popularity of the English in Rome, unrest in Rome, his meeting with and the views of the two brothers-in-law of Sir James Hall and some ecclesiastical news.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.713 26 March [1793]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton redirected from Silsthorne to No. 12 Lambs Conduit Street, London: commenting on French defeats in Flanders, their reasons for leaving Rome before Holy Week and the political situation in Florence; and containing a description of a young lady (unidentified) to whom Lord Bruce is strongly attached.

2ff. damaged

WHA.714 13 April 1793

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Boswell Court, London: commenting on Wharton's letter of 10 March, the dangers of an excess of Philosophy and the efforts of the Florentine government to counter the abuses of Philosophy with the abuses of religion and the revival of old superstitious practices, Lord Ailesbury's approval of his son's attachment, entertainment in Florence and performances by David and Vinci.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.715 7 May [1793]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: confirming the reports of Lord Bruce's impending marriage, praising the qualities of the new Lady Bruce to be and saying that he will probably stay abroad with them for another year; commenting on Mountain's appointment (as Bishop of Quebec), looting by the French and the death of Mrs. Morrice.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.716 25 May 1793

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: commenting on the marriage of Lord and Lady Bruce, his hopes for their future and trust that the facility of divorce which has taken place in France will never take root in England, his hopes for a preferment which will enable him to keep up the acquaintance he has made abroad, the opera in Florence and a new burletta by a Portuguese composer, Signor Portugallo.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.717 18 June 1793

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: speculating on the fate of his nephew and reflecting that children do not always share the qualities of their parents; expressing pleasure in his changed rôle and greater independence as a result of Lord Bruce's marriage; with mention of his mare, his cottage in England and Precentor John (Pretymen).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.718 1 July 1793

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: anticipating his return to England in a year's time; expressing satisfaction that his sister Susan's second child is a boy who will be "more easily educated and set out into the world" than a girl; and commenting on the past week's entertainment in Florence including chariot and horse races, a masked ball, the opera and theatre; with references to David, Vinci and the Duchess of Devonshire.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.719 3 August 1793

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: apologising for his indolence in not having written sooner; praising the character of Lady Bruce; commenting on prospects of his own marriage, absence of any response to his letters to Pretymen and Mountain, an excursion to the Valombrosa, news from Sir James Hall, and of Jacob.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.720 20 August [1793]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: commenting on Wharton's letter of 12 July (now lost) concerning his farming improvements, the likelihood that Lord and Lady Bruce might stay in Italy for the birth of their child, the excessive heat and his health, the newspaper accounts of Lord Harvey's correspondence with the Florentine government and his satire "Jacob Bantam"; asking Wharton to find out whether any payments are due to him from his prebend in Ketton and telling of their intention to visit Como and Lake Maggiore.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.721 24 September [1793]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: giving an account of their excursion to Como and Lake Maggiore and their return journey through Parma, where he had arranged for a sonnet of his own composition in honour of Lady Bruce to be printed in her presence (see Appendix: Facs. 2-6); with reference to a farewell letter from Mountain.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.722 16 October 1793

Thomas Brand in Rome to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: commenting on the quality of his recent satirical works, the attractions of Mountain's appointment, Wharton's letter of 25 September (now lost) containing news of Miss Raine and Mrs. Pretymen, his journey from Florence and a letter from Sir James Hall who is now hatching chickens by artificial warmth.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.723 23 November 1793

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: commenting on the numbers of English wintering in Naples and the consequent rise in the cost of living, his pleasure in his semi-independent existence, a letter from the Bishop (George Pretzman) confirming his suspicion that Lord Ailesbury had made no effort to procure him a preferment from the government, his month in Rome where he commissioned several drawings from the English artist Rouby currently copying parts of the frescoes of Raphael "which are mouldering fast away" for Sir Richard Hoare and spent much of his time with Lady and Miss Knight, and a portrait of Miss Knight by Angelica Kauffman; containing a copy of his sonnet on the portrait.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.724 14 December 1793

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: commenting on his correspondence with Sir James Hall on various scientific matters, the extent of Sir William Anacreon's hospitality, the birth of a daughter to the Queen (of Naples), the foolishness of the English ladies in Naples who under the leadership of the Dowager Countess Spencer are sending flannel waistcoats to the armies in Toulon in imitation of those sent from England to the Netherlands, and the same lady's proposal that she and Brand should share a coach as she only wants it in the mornings and he in the evenings; mentioning that he has received no income from his prebend since he left England and enquiring whether Wharton knows a Yorkshire man named Mr. Marsh who is travelling with Lord Morpeth.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.725. - 731

Brand's letters to Wharton in 1794 are wrapped in half a sheet of newspaper endorsed "94" containing news for September 1813 including an obituary of General Morceau (1761-1813).

WHA.725 1 February 1794

Thomas Brand in Naples to Robert Wharton in Silston : reflecting, on the eve of his 44th birthday, on the modification of his ambitions and congratulating Wharton on his seventh wedding anniversary; commenting on a letter from Pretzman; saying he is unlikely to return to England until after the birth of Lord and Lady Bruce's first child in mid or end of May; and mentioning some of the English company in Naples.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.726 26 March 1794

Thomas Brand in Rome to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne : commenting on Wharton's letter of 28th February (now lost); expressing concern for Lord and Lady Bruce whom he has left in Naples and his pleasure in returning to Rome; describing some archaeological finds near Sta. Maria Maggiore which have been purchased by a Prussian Baron.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.727 26 April [1794]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton redirected to Lambs Conduit Street, London: saying that they will remain in Florence until Lady Bruce has given birth and that he then hopes to return to England; expressing anxiety at the possibility of a French invasion; commenting on the appointment of a new minister to the Grand Duke, the rearrangement of pictures in the Gallery and the opera in Florence.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.728 17 May [1794]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne : announcing the birth of twin daughters to Lord and Lady Bruce; outlining his plans for the return journey to England; commenting on the French advances and control of four of the Alpine passes into Piedmont, the British seige of Bastia and the expectation that the states of Corsica will declare themselves a free people under Great Britain; with news of his sister Mrs. Carr and her family.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.729 14 June [1794]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne : saying that his departure has been delayed by the postponement of the baptism of Lord Bruce's children until the Queen's mandate to the proxy Mrs. Wyndham has arrived; commenting on the wastefulness of the war, his reluctance to take a position in a Duke's family, the activities of a Mr. Graves "on the tottering plank which divides the connoisseurship of a gentleman from the Knavery of an antique merchant and picturebroker", and the scandal caused by the English minister in Florence horsewhipping a Jacobine; with mention of other English people and the opera in Florence.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.730 10 August [1794]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: commenting on Wharton's letter of 8 June (now lost), the education of children with particular reference to Mrs. Pretyman's views, the health of the younger twin, and his anxiety about his sister (Martha Hall).
Paper 2ff.

WHA.731 16 September 1794

Thomas Brand in Florence to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne : explaining that his health prevents him from travelling and that he is inclined to spend the winter in Florence despite his anxiety to see his sister; commenting on his refusal to take a position with the Duke of Somerset, the christening, and Lord and Lady Bruce's departure for Leghorn.
Paper 2ff.

WHA.732 17 June [1795]

Thomas Brand in Bartlow to Robert Wharton: concerning arrangements for a visit to Bartlow from Wharton, whose duties as an executor have brought him into the neighbourhood.
Paper 1f.

WHA.733 17 July 1795

Thomas Brand in Bartlow to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: commenting on his recent visit to the Pretymans at Buckden where he was in the company of the Bishops of Durham, Gloucester and Peterborough; giving a detailed criticism of a family portrait of the Pretymans by Peters; commenting on the advantages and disadvantages of a living at Maulden and the improvement in the health of his sister Mrs. Hall.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.734 23 October [1795]

Thomas Brand at Tottenham Park to Robert Wharton: concerning negotiations with the Duke of Bedford's agent in respect of land attached to his house, and a land holders' meeting in Maulden; with news of Sir James Hall and Lord Bruce and an account of the books he is reading including a quotation from Madame Roland's *Confessions*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.735 1 September 1796

Thomas Brand in Berwick on Tweed to Robert Wharton at Siggleshorne: giving an account of his visit to Old Park.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.736 31 March 1797

Thomas Brand in Amphill to Robert Wharton in York: telling of his arrival and his intention to stay until after the Bishop's Visitation in May; advising that Wharton's son should learn a keyboard instrument rather than the violin; and commenting on his aunt's attempts to find him a wife.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.737 [June/July 1797]

Thomas Brand (in Barton?) to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: giving a light hearted account of his journey (from Silsthorne?) during which he had been put on the wrong boat and was obliged to walk two miles into Barton in the rain and carrying his luggage.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.738 15 November [1797]

Thomas Brand in Maulden to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: confirming that Deborah has accepted him and containing two rhymes on the subject of marriage.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.739 12 March [1798]

Thomas Brand at Borough Bridge to Robert Wharton in Silsthorne: announcing his marriage and arrangements for their return journey via Buckden; commenting on "the Babylonish Tyranny" and "our dear friend's distress" (George Pretyman's sermon?); explaining some points about his own Visitation sermon; and giving instructions for Wharton's execution of legal documents (in connection with Brand's marriage settlement).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.740 1 April 1798

Thomas Brand in Maulden to Robert Wharton in York: expressing the happiness brought about by his marriage and inviting the Whartons to visit Maulden; commenting on the lack of society in Maulden, and their intentions of exploring the beauty and botanical treasures of the countryside and asking Wharton for his Epithalamium.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.741 [July 1799?]

Thomas Brand to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: anticipating Wharton's visit before the 22nd; saying that he can obtain the books by Josephus from the Dean of Ripon; commenting on the Bishop's Visitation and dinner with the Bishop and Lord Grantham, dinner with the Carter's at which the (bursar?) of Trinity College was also a guest, poor news from Bartlow about Joe (Hall) and (Susan) Carr, and the failure of opiate medicines to give relief to Mrs. Wharton at Old Park.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.742 15 June 1807

Thomas Brand in Wath to Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe: giving an account of their return journey from Bartlow and Hadstock with comments on the disappearance of all traces of the recent election, except for flags still hanging in Darlington, a visit to Burleigh, and the presence of Lord Harewood and his son at the inn (?) at Barnby Moor; mentioning speeches by Richard and Dr. Fenwick; and asking for details about the proposed Lunatic Asylum in Lincoln to which he has been asked to subscribe.

Paper 2ff.

Revd. and Mrs. Robert Wharton: miscellaneous correspondence with family and friends

WHA.743-753 1793-1808

WHA.743 2 June 1793

Sarah Wharton in Silston to Robert Wharton at Revd. John Gibby's Winterton, Gainsborough: assuring him that the family is all well and explaining that she had not previously written to him at Gainsborough because she was waiting for his reply to her last letter and did not think he would expect another so soon.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.744 3 June 1798

Sarah Wharton at Huggate to Anny (her eldest daughter Anne Elizabeth, aged 10 years): concerning arrangements for the funeral (of her father the Revd. John Whaley) and saying how much work she expects Anny, her brother William (aged 8 or 9 years) and sister Kitty (aged 7 years) to do each day.

Paper 1f.

WHA.745 20 October 1801

Robert Wharton in Silsthorpe to Charles Spearman in Durham: saying that he has just discovered that one of the music books in his possession contains Charles Spearman's name, apologising for not having returned it earlier and expressing concern lest he should inadvertently have any more.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.746 14 April 1804

George Pretyman, Bishop of Lincoln, to Robert Wharton at Silsthorpe: concerning a favour requested by Wharton; with mention of House of Commons affairs.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.747 8 July 1806

Thomas John Lloyd Baker of Fulham to Dr. [Robert] Wharton at Silston, near Beverley: announcing the birth of his son.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.748 9 July 1806

William Lloyd Wharton in Datchett to his father Revd. Robert Wharton in Sigglesworth: concerning his recovery from the measles and giving the date of his return to Eton; with postscript added by his dame, Mrs. Bainbridge, assuring his mother that he has almost fully recovered.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.749 1 September 1806

James Parkinson, 18 Hatton Gardens, London, to Robert Wharton in Sigglesworth: acknowledging payment of his bill and offering to send someone to Eton to measure Mr. (William Lloyd) Wharton again if he is not satisfied with his cloak.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.750-752 1 June (?) 1807

Part of letter from [the Revd. V.P. Littlehales] of Burton Parsonage concerning contributions to the appeal for the establishment of a lunatic asylum for the county of Lincolnshire containing news of family and acquaintances; with leaflet (printed) concerning the appeal and listing benefactors; and some verses against the Jacobite cause.

3 items, 2ff, 2ff, 1f.

WHA.753 1 February 1808

William Lloyd Baker in Stoutshill to Mrs. Wharton at Minster Yard, Lincoln: sending condolences on the death of Robert Wharton and offering his services if there is anything he can do to assist her.

Paper 2ff.

William Lloyd and Fanny Wharton of Dryburn: letters from family and friends

WHA.754-858 1824-55

WHA.754 20 May [1824]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to her brother William Lloyd Wharton at Oswald House, Durham: commenting on Robert's intention to enter one of the Inns of Court and Tim (Catherine)'s state of health; anticipating an excursion to London where she hopes to go to concerts, exhibitions and nursery gardens; and detailing the circumstances surrounding the suicide of Miss Allan's brother.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.755 20 May 1825

Sarah and Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Durham Moor Lodge: discussing arrangements for paying for a table he procured for them; making a gift of £50 towards a four post bedstead for his new house; encouraging him to change the name of the house (Dryburn Lodge) which at present sounds like a tradesman's house or gamekeeper's cottage; with mention of public affairs, ecclesiastical appointments, Elizabeth Wharton, Mrs. Brand (Deborah) and John's intention of travelling to Rotterdam.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.756 15 July 1825

John Wharton at Aberford to his brother William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: giving an account of his journey to Holland where he visited Rotterdam, Delft, the Hague, Haarlem and Amsterdam; with note added by Anne Elizabeth Wharton containing news of friends and family.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.757 26 April 1826

Dr. W. Cooke of Mr. Lane's Steward's Office in Lincoln's Inn to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn House, Durham: requesting a letter of introduction for his son, who is a cadet to Madras about to sail to India, to his Commander-in-Chief Sir G.I. Walker, which would greatly facilitate his chances of promotion.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.758 25 May 1826

E. Gray of Bishop Wearmouth to Mrs. W. Wharton at Dryburn: sending some plants for the garden at Dryburn; mentioning that her house was flooded when pipes being laid from the waterworks burst and other domestic matters.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.759 June 1826

T[homas] B[arwick] Lloyd Baker to W. Wharton at Dryburn, Durham: asking him to forward a parcel from Baker's father and telling of his safe arrival in Alnwick.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.760 [9 July 1826]

J.H. Jacob (William's brother-in-law Harry) from the Waterloo Hotel, Edinburgh, to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn near Durham: containing descriptions of the countryside between Newcastle and Edinburgh, the new and old towns of Edinburgh, a service in the Presbyterian Kirk, the grandeur of the Waterloo Hotel, and preparations for the election in Morpeth where every post chaise was covered with posters for the candidates and barrels of ale were placed along the road "with about a 100 fellows seated round them . . . in Bacchanalian uproar like satyrs of old".

Paper 2ff.

WHA.761 Postmarked 14 July 1826

J.H. Jacob (Harry) in Perth to his sister Fanny (Mrs. William Lloyd Wharton): telling her of his journey.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.762 25 September 1826

Margaret Wharton [in Durham] to (her nephew) William Lloyd Wharton at Grinkle Park: commenting on the death of their friend Mr. G. Hutchinson's wife; containing news of Mr. J. Baker, the Darnells, the Dean and Mrs. Hall; asking for a plan of the greenhouse at Grinkle; and telling the instructions they have given his man regarding a present of game received at Dryburn from Mr. Gascoigne.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.763 Postmarked 7 November 1826

Robert Wharton at 27 Store Street, Bedford Square, to his brother William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on the advantages of his new lodgings; discussing some business matters relating to J. Hill, the confusion over rents payable for a cottage, formerly owned by their father Revd. Robert Wharton and William Briscoe, since the redemption of land tax in 1800; and making known his intention of joining the Gymnastic Academy in St. James' Street for the sake of his health.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.764 25 November 1826

(Catherine) and Anne Elizabeth Wharton to their brother William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: asking whether his wife Fanny would make some drawings which could be sold at a bazaar in York in December; complaining of the cold weather; and containing news of friends in Cheltenham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.765 23 December 1826

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: giving an account of the three day bazaar in York which raised more than £2000, their stay at Kirby and with Miss Wilkinson in York; with news of family and friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.766 7 May 1827

John Thomas Wharton at Swinethwaite Hall, Bedale, to his brother William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: asking his opinion as to whether he should accept a trusteeship for his friend Markham; with mention of his entitlement to a share in some land.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.767 9 May [1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: concerning Catherine's illness, assuring him that they have given full consideration to the suggestion that they should call in other doctors but are convinced that Mr. Ellerton has a thorough understanding of her condition; asking him to convey messages to Miss Jacob and Mrs. Brand in Salisbury; commenting on Canning's new ministry, news of Robert, the new mail coach, William's business difficulties, Mr. Manners and "the Alderman"; anticipating his visit in June; mentioning other visitors to Aberford and enquiring after friends and acquaintances.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.768 15 May [1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on the new postal arrangements, the Alderman's want of civility towards them, John's return from Malham, Squire Markham's trusteeship, the cost of writing paper obtainable at Durham, public affairs (Catholic Emancipation); mentioning William's part in the coal trade and the Myddletons.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.769 5 June [1827]

Fanny Wharton at Dryburn to her husband William Lloyd Wharton in Aberford: concerning domestic matters and containing news of Wharton's cousins Margaret, who has been ill, and Elizabeth.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.770 8 June 1827

Fanny Wharton at Dryburn to William Lloyd Wharton in Aberford: giving accounts of her visit to "the poor old ladies in Elvet", a walk to Old Durham through Pelaw Woods, visits to (Wharton's cousins) Elizabeth and Margaret and a meeting with Mrs. (Deborah) Brand; with mention of the gardens, her brother Harry, friends and acquaintances.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.771 Postmarked 15 June 1827

Robert Wharton to his brother William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: discussing the proposal by Mather to exempt some premises from payment of land tax this year in consideration of a "bit of lunch" i.e. 10/-.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.772 16 June [1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: expressing relief at his escaping injury in a coach accident; describing Catherine's latest attack following her walk out of doors the previous day; with mention of the Olivers at Parlington, business matters, Mrs. Margaret (Wharton)'s recovery, garden matters and Miss Wilkinson's visit to Salisbury.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.773 21 June 1827

Robert Wharton to his brother William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: concerning their dispute with Mather over the land tax.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.774 24 June [1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton (in Aberford) to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: telling of surprise visits from the Myddletons and Cromptons, the opening of their ice pit, enquiries they are making about Dr. Scott, the new mail gig, hay making and a present of lobsters from Dr. Thompson; enquiring about the pit sinking.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.775 28 June [1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton (in Aberford) to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: discussing William's proposal to let his colliery; telling of the Myddleton's departure, their pony Punch's blindness, the Alderman's conduct towards them, Catherine's state of health, a visit from Miss Anne Bathurst and her excursions to Harewood; containing news of local families; and mentioning the Alderman's lease of Malham Water.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.776 9 and 10 July 1827

Robert Wharton from the Temple (London) to his brother William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: discussing their accounts, Shadwell affairs, William's dispute with Mr. Manners and the liabilities of lessors; with mention of his intention to leave London if the hot weather continues.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.777 24 July 1827

Sarah Wharton in Aberford to her son William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: advising against letting his colliery and offering to help him out if he is in need of ready money; containing news of his brothers and sisters and mentioning "the melancholy event" at Eden Hall, the heat and the inconvenience of present arrangements for postal deliveries; with note added by his sister Anne explaining why Robert cannot accept his invitation to visit during the Assizes, commenting on their dressmaker's bills and mentioning that they will be spending a day in York the following week.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.778 [?16 September 1827]

Robert Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on his visits to the Doncaster races with John where they watched the St. Leger and attended one of the balls; mentioning his fears as to the admissibility of William running steam engines on the King's highway and proposals for a trip by Anne and Mrs. W. (Fanny?) if Tim (Catherine)'s health permits.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.779 [?29 September 1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at R.W. Myddleton's, Grinkle Park: informing him about their return home after a visit to Dryburn; containing news of Catherine, the Duke of Wellington in Darlington and changing horses at Aberford, and the garden.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.780 30 September 1827

A. Sedgwick in Carlisle to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: introducing his friend Mr. Murchison, secretary of the Geological Society, and telling him of their journey to the antipodes.

(Adam Sedgwick 1785-1873, Woodwardian Professor of Geology in Cambridge 1818-73).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.781 [?7 October 1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at R.W. Myddleton's, Grinkle Park: anticipating a visit from Miss Ellison from whom they hope to obtain information about Mr. Scott; commenting on Catherine's illness and the proposal that Dr. Ellerton might make a report of her case which Robert could show to Mr. Scott; containing news of new excavations in York and mentioning William's victory over the railway folk and the good prospects for tithes.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.782 30 October [1827]

John Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: expressing caution at the proposal to become involved in the Scarborough coal trade; with note by his sister Anne describing the course of Duff (Catherine)'s illness and containing news of friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.783 5 November 1827

John Wharton at Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: concerning Catherine's illness, their intention to start trading coals to Scarborough in the spring, their success in growing vines and the death of Osborne Monkton; with note added by Anne mentioning the Aberford statutes, a break-in at the church and Catherine's illness.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.784 8 November 1827

John Wharton and Anne at Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on the prospect of becoming a "coal marchant"; expressing pleasure at William's decisions regarding the colliery; giving an account of the doctor's opinion and treatment of Catherine and containing news of friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.785 20 November [1827]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: giving an account of Catherine's state of health; telling of a proposal to build a new dock adjoining their property in London which would enhance its value; containing news of the Gascoignes, the Alderman, Miss Wilkinson, John's pre-occupation with hunting and shooting, their neighbours at Becca and other acquaintances.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.786 28 November 1827

John Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: giving an account of his stock-jobbing gains; commenting on the improvement in William's coal prospects, news of the Gascoigne family in Paris and "poor Tim" (Catherine)'s health; asking when he intends to fill his ice house; with note added by Anne Elizabeth Wharton giving details about (Catherine's) illness and quarrels between the servants; mentioning Miss Jacob and Mrs. Brand.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.787 3 December 1827

Robert Wharton in London to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: explaining why he has not yet succeeded in answering William's query regarding the expence of entering a *caveat*.

Paper 1f.

WHA.788 6 December 1827

John Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on the effect of the Turkish war on the value of their stocks, his fears that (Catherine) is no better, news of Tom Gascoigne, the garden, ice house, game shooting, and the need to find a servant who can wait upon their mother and help look after Duff (Catherine). Paper 2ff.

WHA.789 13 December 1827

John Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: concerning William's request for game to feed his visitors, Catherine's illness, the sale of Old Park, Anne's visit to York to take lessons in oil painting, and news of friends. Paper 2ff.

WHA.790 [? 2 January 1828]

Robert Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: concerning the settlement of accounts with J. P[oole ?], the proposal to insert a *caveat* clause in an application for a patent, and Richard Gascoigne's birthday celebrations at Parlington; with note added by Anne Elizabeth Wharton containing news of (Catherine) and the benefit she has received from drinking an old fine madeira wine given her by Miss Wilkinson; recommending that he subscribe to the S.P.C.K. in order to procure books for Coundon and criticising the Bishop for not taking "steps to render it a less heathenish place"; and expressing the fear that their mother is working too hard. Paper 2ff.

WHA.791 13 January 1828

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on the improvement in Mr. Jacob (Fanny's father)'s health so that they need not travel to Salisbury; containing news of Robert, (Catherine), the failure of their pond to provide ice for the ice pit, Robert's opinion that the new waggons will be the "most horrid odious things", William's business with the Alderman, news of friends and relatives and public affairs, asking if he knows where "real genuine old" wine can be procured as they believe it would be of benefit to Catherine. Paper 2ff.

WHA.792 19 January 1828

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton in the Close, Salisbury: sending condolences on the death of Fanny's father; thanking him for the madeira wine sent for Catherine; indicating that they might consult another doctor for Catherine; commenting on Robert's journey to London, business matters including the agreement to purchase houses in St. Martin's Lane for £1,360, news of friends and the absence of a letter from Mrs. Brand. Paper 2ff.

WHA.793 28 January 1828

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton in the Close, Salisbury: enquiring after Mrs. Jacob; commenting on business matters including the possibility that the London Docks will want to purchase some of their property and documents needed for the sale of premises in St. Martin's Lane; informing him of the action taken to refer Catherine's case to Mr. Scott; containing news of their neighbours, Mrs. Brand and her sisters, forthcoming marriages, the weather, the ice pit, and comments on the formation of the new ministry. Paper 2ff.

WHA.794 11 February 1828

Anne and John Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton in the Close, Salisbury: containing news of domestic and social events.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.795 18 February [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton in the Close, Salisbury: commenting on problems caused by the recent snow fall, Catherine's illness, the referral of her case to Mr. Scott and her fears of having to travel to Bromley; asking him to collect a watch from Robert in London on his return journey and containing some news of friends.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.796 [1 April 1828?]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton at Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: giving an account of Catherine's latest attack; containing news of the Myddletons, John's visit to Harewood, Robert's intention to attend court and dine at the Crompton's the next day and other friends; describing damage done to the interior of their carriage; with note added by Robert Wharton giving directions for sending some law papers and telling him about the case he hopes to hear in court the next day.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.797 [6 April 1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: asking whether Mrs. Margaret (Wharton) liked some pictures; containing news of Catherine, John's visit to Harewood, damage to their carriage, friends and neighbours, their vines, some business matters including a proposal that Robert should set up as a conveyancer.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.798 7 April 1828

Joseph Pease junior of South End, Darlington to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: asking him to solicit support from friends in the House of Lords for a measure proposed by the (N.E.) Railway Company which would promote the export of coals from the Tees and which is opposed by coal owners on the Tyne and Wear including Lords Durham and Londonderry.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.799 14 and 15 April [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton (in Aberford) to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: conveying messages from Robert regarding a curacy for his friend Petit and legal documents to be drafted for William; mentioning Lord Harewood's reaction to the "railroad affair", Robert's unsuccessful attempts to gain a place on a London coach, Catherine's condition and their fears that the mail coach will be routed through Aberford; asking him to obtain more information about Mr. Scott; commenting on the cost and efficacy of a bed carriage for taking Catherine to see him; containing news of neighbours and the dimensions of their new bed.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.800 18 April 1828

Robert Wharton from his Chambers (in London) to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: asking his advice on the proposal that he should set up as a conveyancer in the region of Hull or Beverley; with mention of his friend Petit's search for a curacy.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.801 24 and 25 April [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on Robert's plans for his career and his friend Petit's visit to London; containing news of neighbours, Catherine and the mail coach route; with mention of Mrs. Brand, garden matters and public affairs.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.802 1 May [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: conveying a request from their mother to investigate the viability of a garden at present in the possession of her tenant Dryden; containing news of Mr. Ellerton, Steward Ellerton, the Alderman and Robert; with mention of William's business affairs, the imposition of a duty on coal exports from Stockton, public affairs and Tom Croft.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.803 9 May [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: informing him of Dr. Sympson's opinion of Catherine's case; mentioning John's visit to Malham and Hawes, the imminent engagement of Tom Croft and Miss Thompson, Robert's financial affairs and plans for his career, a fight between their servants, a new tenant for Dryden's garden and William's new pit.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.804 14 May [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on the unsatisfactory effects of a new treatment for Catherine, the suicide of Steward Ellerton (a relative of their doctor and his son), and Mr. Gascoigne's illness; with news of other friends and acquaintances.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.805 [9 August 1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: containing news of friends, John and Robert's departure for Hawes (for the shooting); discussing the desirability of moving Catherine before the noise of threshing starts and of asking Mr. Scott to come to see her; with note to Miss (Mary) Jacob expressing relief at the news of their safe arrival at Dryburn, mentioning their plan of pasturing sheep in front of the house for Catherine to watch, and containing news of acquaintances.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.806 15 August [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: asking him to convey an invitation to the Lloyd Bakers to visit them on their return journey; discussing the proposal that they should take Catherine to Mr. Scott by sea; wishing him well on the proposed tour of Scotland; and containing a note to Miss Jacob thanking her for a letter to Catherine and asking her not to mention the fact that she was allowed to see Catherine to the Lloyd Bakers.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.807 15 August 1828

Three recipes for soufflée and apple charlotte sent from Salisbury to Mrs. Jacob at Dryburn.

Paper 1f.

WHA.808 20 August [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: commenting on their problems with servants, their search for a house where they will escape the noise of the threshing, the desirability of hiring a spring carriage for Catherine's journey, Catherine's attempts to walk, William's proposed tour of Scotland and an invitation from the Crofts to visit during the York festival.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.809 25 August [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: containing comments on their invitation to the Lloyd Bakers, the success of William's coal borings, Robert and John's return from Hawes, Catherine's attempts to take exercise and her fright at the noise of the carrier's horse, enquiries for a house near Bromley and the request made to William for a copy of his pedigree; with note added by Robert Wharton concerning arrangements for improvements and repairs in a tenancy agreement and asking how much he can claim from a carrier for the loss of parts of two sets of books which were contained in the same box.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.810 [27 August 1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: asking him to find out whether the Lloyd Bakers intend to visit them as John and Robert are considering going back to Hawes for the shooting and expressing her indecision about the desirability of taking Catherine to Mr. Scott for treatment.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.811 24 September [1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: telling of delays in the arrival of a spring board for the carriage Catherine will travel in and of their doubts as to the advisability of taking her for a trial run before the journey; comparing the merits of a spring board with Harmon's (spring?) carriage and saying they will try to obtain some of the "newly contrived" rubber "air seats" or cushions; commenting on a slight improvement in Catherine's condition, her visits to the York festival and John and Robert's intention of attending the fancy dress ball; with mention of William's tour of Scotland.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.812 [6 October 1828]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton at Aberford to William Lloyd Wharton at R.W. Myddleton's, Grinkle Park near Guisborough: expressing concern for John who left them with a severe cold and, as all the coaches were full of people returning from the (York) festival, was compelled to travel overnight in bad weather on the outside of the coach going to London; saying how they are preparing Catherine and the spring coach for her journey south; mentioning their regret that Mrs. Jacob and her party will not have time to stay on their return (to Salisbury), the Crofts and the rise in the price of corn.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.813 17 October 1828

A. Sedgwick, Trinity College, to William Lloyd Wharton: describing an experiment in Cornwall to determine the density of the earth; mentioning the imminent publication of some of his papers; enquiring as to the progress of borings and sinkings in the county of Durham, with particular reference to Eppleton and Ellemore; and discussing other matters of geological interest.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.814 25 October 1828

Sarah Wharton (in Aberford) to her daughter Anne Wharton at Oakley House, Bromley, Kent: expressing relief at the news of their safe arrival and confidence that Catherine will benefit from Mr. Scott's treatment; commenting on the death of Richard Wharton and their fears for the effect of the news on Mrs. Elizabeth; with mention of packing and the potato harvest.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.815 31 October 1828

Sarah Wharton (in Aberford) to Anne Wharton at Oakley House, Bromley: sending a box of game; commenting on the moderate amount charged by Mr. Ellerton for accompanying them to Bromley and arrangements for paying the servants.

Paper 3ff.

WHA.816 4 November 1828

Sarah Wharton in Aberford to Anne Wharton, Oakley House, Bromley: saying that a bad cold has delayed her departure; commenting on the settlement of Mr. Ellerton's account, social calls, packing, John's receipt of £20 (for the loss of his books?) and reports of another cure effected by Mr. Scott.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.817 8 November 1828

Sarah Wharton at Aberford to Robert and Anne Wharton at Oakley House, Bromley, Kent: concerning arrangements for her departure from Aberford including the appointment of Mrs. Blackburn as housekeeper and the despatch of Robert's trunk; expressing her confidence that Catherine will benefit under Mr. Scott's care.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.818 22 January 1829

Anne Elizabeth Wharton in Oakley to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn (with note added by Sarah Wharton?): commenting on his account of the Christmas festivities; mentioning Anne's visit to Norfolk, her intention of going north to settle affairs at Aberford and see to the management of woodlands at Hawes, visits to a London exhibition, skating on the Serpentine, the purchase of a new mare, the rents for Aberford, their intention of staying in Oakley for at least another winter and the cold weather; offering to carry out commissions for him in London and asking for news of Mrs. Elizabeth and Mrs. Margaret (their cousins).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.819 5 November 1832

A. Sedgwick to William Lloyd Wharton: requesting information concerning the geology of the county of Durham and the loan of some specimens of fossil fish which he wants to have drawn for the next volume of the Geological Society *Transactions*.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.820 11 January 1833

Resolution of meeting chaired by W. L. Wharton for the formation of the County of Durham Conservative Association.

Printed 2ff.

WHA.821 4 September 1834

J. Wolfe Murray, Lord Cringletie, to (William Lloyd) Wharton: inviting him and his wife to stay at Coltness, his residence in Lanarkshire, when Wharton attends the meeting of "scavans" in Edinburgh the following week.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.822 2 December 1834

S[ophia] M[yddleton] to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: on matters concerning the purchase of Boulby Farm by Mr. Baker; with mention of an outbreak of cholera in Durham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.823 11 December [1834]

S[ophia] Myddleton of Grinkle Park to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: informing him of arrangements prior to their departure from Grinkle Park regarding the gamekeeper's wages, care of the house and taxes; asking him to recommend a cabinet maker and enquiring about negotiations for the sale of land to Mr. Baker.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.824 8 March [1837?]

Letter from S.M. (Sophia Myddleton?) at Old Park to William Lloyd Wharton at Darlington, Wetherby, Yorks: informing him about the extent of coal boring near Old Park and the secrecy surrounding it; commenting on the purchase of stock, estate matters including the cutting and planting of trees, and family news; with note about the plantation added by her daughter Sophie Gray.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.825 8 November 1837

Elizabeth Sophie Myddleton of Deanfield House, Henley, to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: containing receipts and thanks for the payment of the last quarter's jointure and trust funds to (her children?) H[enrietta] W. Myddleton and C[atherine] W. Myddleton; with description and plans of their new house, family news, and reference to Queen Victoria's coronation.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.826 14 October 1839

Anne Elizabeth Wharton at Oakley to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: describing their mother's first sight of a railway train; commenting on the fall in their railway shares, estate matters, news of friends, Robert's "revising work" and Thomas Chilton's accounts.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.827 31 October 1839

Anne Wharton at Oakley to William Lloyd Wharton at Dryburn: containing a copy of their estate manager Thomas Chilton's accounts, dated 12 October 1839 ; with comments on this and on an agreement for land needed for the railway and station (at Durham ?), his decision to give up the management of Grinkle and Old Park, social engagements, their railway investments and accusations made against Robert in the radical papers concerning proceedings at Wigan Borough.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.828 19 December 1844

Sarah Wharton in Oakley to her son William Lloyd Wharton (at Aberford?): urging him to take care of his health; thanking him for the accounts; and mentioning Catherine's latest attack of headache.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.829 [19 December 1844]

Anne Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton: containing news of Catherine's deteriorating eyesight of which their mother is still ignorant.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.830 5 April 1845

Sarah Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton: commenting on news of his garden; mentioning expenditure of 10 gns. at Witton Gilbert and her subscription for Coundon school; asking his opinion on the Maynooth grant.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.831 26 April 1845

Sarah Wharton in Oakley to William Lloyd Wharton: containing news of Anne, Robert, Robert's family and Catherine; commenting on William's negotiations with the Railway Company, Irish affairs, the death of Lady Ridley daughter of Baron and Lady Parke and the weather.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.832 3 May 1845

Sarah Wharton at Oakley to William Lloyd Wharton: commenting on news of railway business contained in his last letter, public affairs, Anne's visit to the dentist, an account of Sir M[atthew Ridley's] attentions to his wife on her deathbed and the weather.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.833 10 May 1845

Sarah Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton: telling him that she and Anne both have colds; commenting on his news of the progress of his Tower, his acquaintance with Sir William Eden and problems with one of his tenants.

Endorsed with note that Mrs. Wharton died March 1846.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.834 9 June 1845

S.M. (Sophia Myddleton?) Calcot Lodge to William Lloyd Wharton: on financial matters relating to the will of Mr. Myddleton (formerly Robert Wharton d. 1834) and a charge of £1,400 payable to his brother Richard (d. 1828).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.835 9 August 1845

Sarah Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton: concerning the birth of Robert's seventh child and Lady Parke's attentions to his other children; commenting on the hay harvest at the Til Shades farm and the progress of William's building work.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.836 23 August 1845

Sarah Wharton at Oakley to William Lloyd Wharton: commenting on the effect of the cold and rainy weather on the harvest, the honour paid to Mr. (George) Hudson at Sunderland and William's railway business.

(George Hudson 1800-1871 manager of several railway companies and M.P. for Sunderland 1845-59. *DNB*)

Paper 2ff.

WHA.837 12 December 1845

Lord Dungannon to William Lloyd Wharton in Aberford: asking his opinion as to whether he should stand for re-election after the coming dissolution of Parliament.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.838

Newspaper report of the Marquis of Londonderry's speech to the annual meeting of the Durham County Conservative Association announcing the candidature of his son Lord Seaham in the next election for the northern division of the county of Durham, 30 December 1845.

Printed leaflet. 2ff.

WHA.839 No Date

Address to the Hon. Henry Thomas Liddell M.P. for the northern division of the county of Durham expressing the support and confidence of the electors and determination not to support any other candidate.

Printed 1f.

WHA.840 22 December [1847]

Fanny Wharton in Salisbury to her husband William Lloyd Wharton: informing him of her mother's death.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.841 31 October [1849]

Anne Elizabeth Wharton to William Lloyd Wharton: commenting on their brother Robert's death and funeral and expressing fears for the safety of John and his family who live close to an outbreak of cholera.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.842 22 May 1850

John Thomas Wharton in Aberford, to his brother William Lloyd Wharton: expressing the hope of seeing him at a meeting in York relating to G.N.E. (Great North Eastern Railway?) shares so that they can discuss some family business, and mentioning arrangements for welcoming Mr. Eden as Vicar of Aberford (Charles Page Eden, Vicar of Aberford 1850-1885).

Paper 2ff.

WHA.843 8 February 1851

Death certificate of Anne Elizabeth Wharton who died at Bromley, Kent, 3 February 1851.

Paper 1f.

WHA.844. and 845 21 November 1851

John Lloyd Wharton (son of John Thomas Wharton) at Eton College to his uncle William Lloyd Wharton: containing news of school and anticipating the holidays; with copy of some verses in Latin done as a school exercise.

2 pieces, 2ff. each

WHA.846. and 847 21 December (*sic.* November?) 1851

Robert Wharton (eldest son of Robert Wharton) at Eton College to his uncle William Lloyd Wharton mainly concerned with his school work; with a copy of some verses composed for an exercise "The Death of Sennacherib".

2 pieces, 2ff. each

WHA.848. - 852 6-17 April 1852

5 letters from Viscount Dungannon to William Lloyd Wharton concerning Lord Londonderry's determination that his son Lord Adolphus should be adopted as Conservative candidate for Durham and his chances of success.

2ff. each (except No. 850: 4ff.)

WHA.853 26 April 1852

Lord Londonderry (Charles William, 3rd Marquess) [to William Lloyd Wharton]: thanking him for a testimonial in support of his son Adolphus's candidature.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.854 20 July 1852

Viscount Dungannon to William Lloyd Wharton: complaining of his treatment in the matter of Lord Adolphus's adoption as Conservative candidate.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.855 22 July 1852

Draft letter from William Lloyd Wharton to Viscount Dungannon reminding him that he had encouraged the party to support Lord Adolphus for the Durham City constituency and claiming that the election may yet be challenged and overturned.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.856 16 March [1853]

Letter from John Lloyd Wharton at Eton College to his uncle William Lloyd Wharton containing news of his work and companions at Eton; with a copy of a passage from Milton he has turned into Latin.

Paper 3ff.

WHA.857 3 October 1853

Adolphus Vane at Holderness House to Mr. Wharton: accepting an invitation to meet his supporters in Durham.

Paper 2ff.

WHA.858 13 March [1855?]

R. Burdon at Castle Eden to William Lloyd Wharton: proposing that they should prepare against the event of an election by forming a committee and drawing up an address in support of Lord Vane and a government which will prosecute the war effectually.

Paper 2ff.

John Thomas and Mary Wharton of Aberford: family papers and journal
 WHA.859-871 1833-58

WHA.859 12 August 1833

Commission of John Thomas Wharton, Gentleman, as Cornet in the Yorkshire Hussar Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.
 Paper 1f.

WHA.860 27 October 1837

Commission of John Thomas Wharton, Gentleman, as Lieutenant in the Yorkshire Hussar Regiment of Yeomanry Cavalry.
 Paper 1f.

WHA.861 2 November 1844

Commission of John Thomas Wharton, Esquire, as Captain in the Hussar Regiment of Yorkshire (West Riding) Yeomanry Cavalry.
 Paper 1f.

WHA.862 Between 4 April and 12 November 1845

Alphabetical list of G Troop Yorkshire Hussars.
 Paper 1f.

WHA.863 September 1846

Return of recruits to Captain Wharton's G Troop from October 1844 to September 1846.
 Paper 1f.

WHA.864 27 January 1853

Commission of John Thomas Wharton, Esquire, as Deputy-Lieutenant of the West Riding of the County of York, City and County of the City of York.
 Paper 1f.

WHA.865 27 January 1853

Letter from the Clerk to the General Meetings in Lieutenancy to John Wharton advising of procedures to be followed before acting under the Commission as Deputy-Lieutenant.
 Paper 1f.

WHA.866 26 March 1841 - 1 February 1858

Journal of Mrs. John Thomas Wharton (Mary Jacob, b. 1794).
 Contains a record of everyday activities, family news, visits, letters etc. Kept regularly for the first year. Thereafter entries were made intermittently with resumé of the preceding intervals. Last two entries, 23 March 1855 and 1 February 1858, contain her reactions to war in the Crimea and India.
 2 notebooks sewn together 49ff.

WHA.867 October 1841

Enclosed at p. 20:

Newspaper cutting concerning the death of Lord Sydenham on 19 September.
 1 piece.

WHA.868 June 1844

Enclosed at p. 32:

Part of letter from Mary Wharton at Ripon to her daughter Mary (aged 9 years) giving instructions for a day's lessons.

Paper 1f.

WHA.869 No date [1840's]

Sketch in boyhood by John Lloyd Wharton of his sister Mary. Given by her to her niece M.A. Darwin 6 August 1917.

1 piece.

WHA.870 December 1854

John Lloyd Wharton's school report in Mathematics.

Paper 1f.

WHA.871 30 January 1855

Copy of letter from Private G. Winterbourne of Aberford to his parents giving an account of the battle of Balaklava and living conditions in the Crimea.

Paper 2ff.

Appendix

Photocopies of letters from Revd. Thomas Brand to Gianbattista Bodoni of Parma
 WHA.Facs 1-16 1793-94
 (from originals in the Biblioteca di Parma)

WHA.Facs 1

Postcard showing a portrait of the printer Gianbattista Bodoni, born 1740.

1 card

WHA.Facs 2 and 3 28 August 1793

Thomas Brand in Bologna to Gianbattista Bodoni, master of the printing press in Parma: requesting permission for Lord and Lady Bruce to visit the works and see an example of printing during their short stay in Parma.

(See No. 721 for an account of this visit).

Language: Italian

2 copies, 1f. each

WHA.Facs 4 [29 August 1793]

Thomas Brand in Modena to Bodoni: informing him of the time of their arrival in Parma.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 5 [30 August 1793]

Thomas Brand in Parma to Bodoni: returning the corrected proofs of his poem (in honour of Lady Bruce) and asking what time they should make their visit.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 6 31 August [1793]

Thomas Brand in Parma to Bodoni: commenting on the free translation he has made of Bodoni's letter to Lord Bristol; expressing his thanks (in respect of Lord and Lady Bruce's visit); requesting the bill for some books he purchased and suggesting that they should be forwarded to Livorno rather than to Florence.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 7 28 September [1793]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Bodoni: commenting on matters arising from the publication of *The Seasons* by James Thomson; informing him that he will be moving from Rome to Naples in the middle of November and expressing his willingness to perform any services in his power.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 8 6 November [1793?]

Thomas Brand in Rome to Bodoni: informing him of his address in Naples; confirming that he has sent a catalogue and prospectus to Lord Berwick although he believes the latter will soon be leaving for his Egyptian tour; requesting several books to be sent to Lord Bruce in Naples and conveying the respects of Miss Knight and her mother.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 9 and 10 9 November 1793

Thomas Brand in Rome to Bodoni: sending him a short preface on the life of Thomson; requesting that his own name should not appear as despite all his care some errors might still remain; informing him that Lord Berwick has left for Egypt; declining the offer of collaborating in an edition of Milton as he will not be staying in Italy much longer and expressing doubts as to the wisdom of such an undertaking.

Language: Italian

2 copies, 1f. each

WHA.Facs 11 26 November [1793]

Thomas Brand in Naples to Bodoni: mentioning some printing obtained from Signr. Brina and the preface on the life of Thomson; and ordering some books on behalf of Lord Berwick and Lord Bruce.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 12 21 December 1793

Thomas Brand in Naples to Bodoni: returning the proofs and expressing the hope that no more errors will be found.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 13 22 March 1794

Thomas Brand in Rome to Bodoni: apologising for having left Naples without giving the bankers the money for books received on behalf of Mr. Townshend; assuring him that he will do it in Florence or in person at Parma before his return to England; informing him of his address in Rome and Florence; saying that he will be pleased to accept a copy of the Thomson and requesting another copy for which he will pay.

Language: Italian

Paper 2ff.

WHA.Facs 14 19 April [1794]

Thomas Brand in Florence to Bodoni: apologising for not having replied to his letter earlier; commenting on the appropriate wording for the dedication of the Thomson book (to "David Steuart, Esquire of Cardneys, Late Lord Provost of the City of Edinburg"); and wishing him every success.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 15 19 August 1794

Thomas Brand in Florence to Bodoni: saying that he had hoped to visit Parma on his way back to England but that as his return has been postponed he will leave the money he owes with the bankers in Florence; expressing surprise at the delay in the publication of the Thomson book and requesting another two copies.

Language: French

Paper 1f.

WHA.Facs 16 6 September 1794

Thomas Brand in Florence to Bodoni: praising the edition of the Thomson: informing him that he expects to be in England in a few weeks time and that he has placed the money he owes in the bank at Florence; with expressions of thanks and gratitude.

Language: Italian

Paper 1f.