

25 Apr 1684 John Otway to William Blckett

[Note: British Library Add MS 41803 f75 witness deposition]

John Otway of Newcastle upon Tyne Merchant:

Aprill 25th 1684

Newcastle upon: Tyne

Deposeth: that in the Month of February Last, in the beginning of the same Month, being on board a Shipp; whereof Samuell Fuller of Gateshead, in the County of Durham was Ma[ste]r in their return from Bourdeaux, in France, neare the Coast of England, these Fuller and this Depont. happened, some discourse; about the Governm:t of the Kingdome of England, and this Depont. affirming, that the Kings Ma:tie our Sovereigne Lord King Charles the Second, was the father of the Countrey in Severall Respects, (to which words the said Fuller replied,) he is father of my Arse; And Likewise there being discourse that his Royall Hignesse; James Duke of York was heir to the Crown of England; to which the said Fuller Answered, that the said Duke of York was pockified, or had the pox or words to that purpose; & severall other times in the said voyage; (notwithstanding he was reprov'd by this depont. & in Timothy Rumney a Merchant, aboard the said ship) the said Fuller did speake; much, in disgrace & disparagem:t of his said Royall Hignesse. And he further saith that the reason, why he deferred Informeing till now was for that he had not till within those few days cloas'd his Accounts, with the said Fuller, for the Said Voyage:

John Otway

Timothy Rumney of Newcastle upon Tyne

Merchant, Aprill 25th 1684

Deposeth he haveing heard the above written Information, read t[ha]t the same is true; and further saith, that in the said voyage, about the same time he heard the said Fuller, say that he believed the King was a papist; (or was a papist, in his heart, or words to the like purpose;

Tim:o Rumney

Capt et Jurat Cora nobis

Wm. Blckett Maior

Tim: Davison

Matthew Jeffreyson

[reverse annotated:] Newcastle March 1684 Information agt Fuller for words

26 Apr 1684 William Blackett to Charles Middleton

[Note: British Library Add MS 41803 f73. Held within a composite volume of state papers for 1660-85 of Charles Middleton (1649/50-1719), second Earl of Middleton, Jacobite Secretary of State]

Rt. Honble

An Information was given upon oath ag:t one Samuell Fuller (a Cobby of w:ch wee here enclose to yo:r Hon:r immediately upon giving the Same wee dispatched our officers to Sheilds where wee had intelligence the offend:r was lyeing w:th his Shipp ready to Saile for Bourdeau in France but after Strict enquiry by them made they had notice he did Saile out of this port with his said Shipp for Bourdeau on Wednesday last. Therefore wee thought it our Duty to acquaint yo:r Hon:r therewith and that his vessel is a Shipp – English Built Burthen about one hundred Tonns Called by the name of the Michael of Newcastle. He is a young man of middle stature, slender, black visage, wears his own hair (very black) his father and relations live att Yarmouth- If he come back to this port wee shall use our utmost endeavours to get him secured and continue to demonstrate our selves to be truely devoted for his Ma:ties Service, and likewise upon all occasions expresse how much wee are

Rt. Hon:ble. Yo:r hon:rs most humble And obedit. Servts.

Wm. Blackett Mayor

Hen. Brabant

Mat. Jeffreyson

Tim. Dobson

Wm Aubone

Tim. Davison

Geo: Morton

Newcastle – Aprill: 26th: 1684

21 Sep 1798 Thomas Liddell to William Huskisson

[Note: British Library Add MS 38735 f140. T.H.Liddell is likely to have been Thomas Liddell, 1st Baron Ravensworth. Although the recipient is not stated the letter is part of a collection of letters addressed to William Huskisson (1770-1830), MP for Morpeth at the time.]

Morpeth Septr. 21st 1798

Sir,

Coln. Beaumont and myself beg to inform you that it was the general wish of the Gentlemen who attended the races this year, that Lord Morpeth and yourself should be named as Stewards for Morpeth races next year – That being the case we have taken

the liberty of appointing you both, hoping you would have no objection, and we remain

Sir Your Obedt. Humle. Servts.

T.H Liddell

Tho. Rd. Beaumont

26 Jan 1816 Diana Beaumont to Christopher Blckett

[Note: British Library Add MS 40259 f4; papers of Sir Robert Peel. At the time of these letters Peel was secretary to Lord Whitworth, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and also evidently acquainted with T W Beaumont]

Copy of a Letter from Mrs. Beaumont to Chrr. Blckett Esq dated Bretton Hall 26 Jany. 1816

Dear Sir,

Coll. Beaumont is complaining of the Gout & employs me to acknowledge the rect. of yr. favour of the 25th Inst. – He desires I will assure you that it will afford him the utmost satisfaction to serve any friend of yours, & shall really be glad of an opportunity of obliging Mr. Smith, he has not any acquaintance whatever with Lord Whitworth; & as a MP for an English County, he cannot, he says, ask a favour of a Ld. Lt. of Ireland, for it would be thought highly improper, but on his consulting Me on the subject, it immediately occurred to me that Mr. Peel, Ld. Ws. Sec[retar]y has frequently been at my balls &c in London, & Wentworth Beaumont is well acquainted with him, & his brother particularly so, who is much with us, & was staying with us at the Abbey & Allenheads, & for private friendships he could ask for the situation Mr. Smith is solicitous to obtain for Mr. <C.> O Reily, & with every prospect of success, 'tho Coll. Beaumonts application as a M.P. could not be attended to in Ireland, & Mr. Peel has more than the Ear of the Ld. Lt. that no time should be lost in your sending here the Age of Mr. O Reily, his situation & qualifications, if married, or single, what has been his profession &c. this will enable either my Son, or his Mother to do it effectually, Wentwhth. Beaumont is at present either at Ld. Mexburgh's, or Bramham Park; we expect his return in a few days, & I am confident he will have great pleasure in serving Mr. Smith's friend; we remain here until the 5 Feby. that I hope your answer will be received before we go forth, as my Son remains some time after us to hunt.

4 Feb 1816 Diana Beaumont to Christopher Blckett

[Note: British Library Add MS 40259 f4v]

From the same [DB] to the same [CB], Bretton Hall. 4 Feby. 1816 –

The moment we arrive in Town, I will endeavour to see the Irish Sec[retary] & will also get Lord Limerick to speak to the Irish Chancellor of the Exchqr, W. Fitzgerald, & Coll. Beaumont will write officially to Mr. Peel, & I trust, with all these aids success may be expected, at least it shall not be my fault, & I will endeavour to get at Lord <Granard>, if Lord Forbes (his Son) is in town, I will attack him. We set out on Thursday for London.

24 Feb 1816 Thomas Richard Beaumont to Christopher Blackett

[Note: British Library Add MS 40259 f4v]

Copy of a Letter from Coll. Beaumont to CW Blackett Esq. dated Portman Square 24 Feb 1816

My dear Blackett.

I have this morning received an answer to my applications, from the Irish Secretary, my friend, Peel; who strongly expresses himself anxious to oblige me, & says, that my letter in favour of Mr. O'Reilly is laid before Ld. Whitworth. – Mr. Peel however states that the appointments in Ireland are always considered as Patronage to those who represent the County in which it is situated, & adds, 'if you were aware of the embarrassment to which a departure from that Custom might expose us, you would not in case of failure attribute the ill success of your application to any want of good will towards you; - when I have Lord Ws. ansr. I will write again' – Mrs. Beaumont I assure you has been indefatigable to serve your friend.

[annotated on outer leaf in pencil:] June 1816 from Mr. <Brodges> Mr O Reilly
[in ink:] Mr Smith of Alnwicks application of Mrs Beaumont to Mr Peel
Supervisorship of <hearth> money Collections £200 pr. an

7 Mar 1835 Thomas Wentworth Beaumont to Charles Babbage

[Note: British Library Add MS 37189 f231 Undated note. Lord Londonderry was appointed ambassador to Russia by Peel in his short-lived administration early in 1835 but under pressure in Parliament on 13th March resigned the appointment just three days later. This letter can therefore be dated with some confidence to early that year. 7th March (a Saturday) is used here.]

Mr Beaumont presents his compliments to Mr. Babbage and is extremely sorry that he is unexpectedly prevented the pleasure of waiting upon him this evening. Mr. Beaumont entirely agrees though reluctantly with the opinion of Mr. Babbage that any

Periodical for the advancement of <truth> without reference to any Party would have little favour from the Public. He is most anxious that the cause of Poland should be undertaken in some literary work, but he regrets that he can see no fair prospect of it. Such appointments as that of Ld. Londonderry will do much to bring the public mind upon the subject, & may perhaps supersede the more tedious process of writing up the heroism and sufferings of the Poles. Mr. B. has only again to express his regret that he cannot meet his friend Mr. <Young> at Mr. Babbages this evening –

10. Grosvenor Place

Saturday

28 Aug 1835 Thomas Wentworth Beaumont to Charles Babbage

[Note: British Library Add MS 37189 f161]

Paris. Aug. 28

My dear Sir,

Can we flatter ourselves that we have prepared anything for our approaching <number> on the 1st. of October? We shall be in England on Wednesday next, when <Young> will <instantly> call on you.

I have nothing <to say in favour> of the Parisian spirit of liberty at the moment. But their coolness and almost cowardice in submitting to doctrinaire tyranny is difficult to be reconciled with their rapidity of <indignation> against the tyranny of the Bourbons. The next <esson> must come from our side of the channel –

We are on the eve of some struggle against the last hold of privilege in the House of Lords and I shall be very glad if we can find any means of correcting the opinion of their Lordships without giving them a castigation which would at the same time loosen the bonds of society & the foundation of public credit. I am convinced that the <irresponsible> insolence of their Lordships must & ought to be <signally> punished – But still I think that <O Connell> is too violent a schoolmaster –

Believe me, my dear sir Yr very sincerely

TW Beaumont

[addressed on cover to:] Babbage Esq. 1 <Duke> Street, Manchester Square, London.

[Franking stamp:] FPO AU 31 1835.