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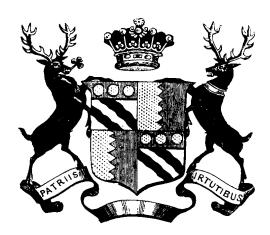
# **Leitrim Papers**

(Mss 32,639-81; Mss 33,814-33,889 & Ms 49,372)

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The Leitrim Papers are a collection of family and estate papers relating to the family of Clements, Earls of Leitrim and of Ashfield Lodge, Co. Cavan. They cover the administration of estates belonging to five Earls of Leitrim in the counties of Leitrim, Donegal, Galway and Kildare and the Clements family in Co. Cavan. Part of the collection is made up of a deposit of solicitors' papers from a firm named Warrens in London and these papers cover a number of family trusts and disputes. Most of the papers date from the 19<sup>th</sup> century or early 20<sup>th</sup> century.



THE EARL OF LEITRIM.

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The Leitrim Papers are a collection of estate and family papers relating to the Clements family, in particular the branch of the family that became Earls of Leitrim in 1795.

#### Introduction

## The Family

Nathaniel Clements (1705-77) established himself as a wealthy and influential figure in 18<sup>th</sup> century Ireland and left two sons at the time of his death. The younger son Henry Theophilus Clements (c. 1735-95) fought in the American and European Wars and inherited the Ashfield estate in Co. Cavan from his father. H.T. Clements' eldest son Col Henry John Clements (1781-1843) married Louisa daughter of James Stewart of Killymoon, Cookstown, Co. Tyrone and his wife Elizabeth Molesworth and had a son Col Henry Theophilus Clements (1820-1904).

Robert Clements (1732-1804) the elder son of Nathaniel Clements was created 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Leitrim in 1795. He had two sons, Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl (1768-1854), who married Mary Bermingham, joint heiress with her sister Lady Charlemont to the Rosshill estate, Co. Galway and Robert Clotworthy Clements, who bought the Newtown Gore estate in 1812.

Robert Bermingham Clements (1809-39), eldest son of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, was very influential in the building of a house for the family at Lough Rynn in the mid 1830s. He died in 1839 and his younger brother William Sydney [known as Sydney to his family and friends] was left heir to the title. Sydney, 3rd Earl (1806-78) was a hardworking but very unpopular landlord, who was murdered in Co. Donegal in 1878. By the will of Sydney, 3rd Earl, dated 1875, Col H.T. Clements was made heir to all the Earl's estates. To avoid litigation over this will Robert, nephew of Sydney, 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl and heir to the title and Col H.T. Clements came to an agreement, whereby Robert, 4th Earl would have the Donegal estates and Col H.T. Clements would retain the rest.

Robert, 4th Earl (1847-92) had a long dispute with Trinity College, Dublin over the headrents of his Donegal estates. Unlike his uncle, he was popular in Co. Donegal and initiated new developments on his estates there, such as the steamer [Rossgull] service along the coast. He also recognized the tourist potential of the region. In 1891 he brought Tom Morris from St. Andrews, Scotland to design the layout of the golf links at Rosapenna and began to build a hotel there shortly before his death in 1892. He had married Lady Winifred Coke [the Countess or Dowager Countess], fifth daughter of Thomas Coke 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leicester, in 1873 and left a young family.

Charles, 5th Earl (1879-1952) served in the Boer War and World War 1. He was assistant private secretary to the Secretary of State for the Colonies in 1917 and a member of the Carlton Club, Pall Mall, London. He visited France, Egypt and the USA at various times. He also devoted much of his time to developing his Donegal estates by introducing modern methods of farming and expanding the Rosapenna Hotel. For much of his life he was based in Co. Donegal but during the political disturbances of the

early 1920s he moved to Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent and had a London residence at 60A Cadogan Gardens. He returned to Co. Donegal, however, and spent much of his time during the 1930s at the Rosapenna Hotel and in the 1940s at Mulroy House. In Oct 1902 he married Violet Lina [Lady Leitrim] daughter of Robert Henderson [at one time a director of the Bank of England]. They separated in 1926, divorced in 1931 and he married in 1939 Anne Mary, sister of Charles Vanneck 5<sup>th</sup> Earl of Huntingfield. On his death, in 1952, the Earldom of Leitrim became extinct.

#### The Estates

This collection relates to the estates of the Earls of Leitrim in Cos. Leitrim, Donegal, Galway and Kildare. Their main residences were at Lough Rynn, near Dromod, Co. Leitrim from 1835, Mulroy House, near Carrickart, Co. Donegal from 1865, Rosshill House, near Clonbur, Co. Galway and Killadoon, near Celbridge, Co. Kildare. The other branch of the Clements family covered by this collection had an estate at Ashfield, near Cootehill, Co. Cavan.

#### Co. Leitrim

The Mohill, Manorhamilton and Beihy estates were all bought by Nathaniel Clements during the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The Mohill and Manorhamilton estates were disentailed in 1855 and the Beihy estate in 1877 [see Ms 33,850 (1)].

**Mohill Estate:** An estate bought in 1749 from [Francis Seymour Conway] Lord Conway. This is the Conway estate referred to in Ms 33,817 (1) which in 1750 = 6,112 Irish acres. After a house was built on the estate between 1832-5, under the direction of Robert B. Clements, the estate became known as Lough Rynn. It was sold in 1975.

**Manorhamilton Estate:** An estate bought in 1759 for £21,822 from Sir Ralph Gore 6<sup>th</sup> Bart<sup>1</sup>, who was a cousin of Nathaniel Clements by marriage and was to become his future son in law. In 1807 this estate = 5,750 Irish acres. Two townlands of this estate, Aghamore and Clogherbeg, were in Co. Sligo and were sold in 1863.

**Beihy Estate:** An estate of 220 acres bought from Charles Coote, Earl of Bellamont, for £2,483 in Jan 1777<sup>2</sup>. The sale is referred to on a map by Richard Frizell, dated 1776 [see Map No ]. Robert lst Earl settled Beihy on his younger son, Robert Clotworthy Clements. When Robert C. Clements died in 1828, Beihy was inherited by his elder brother Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl. Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, in a codicil to his will dated 27 Sept 1852 [see Ms 33,869 (7)], left Beihy to his younger son Charles Skeffington Clements, as he wished to '... make some little compensation to my dear son Charles for [the] disappointment he has experienced in having lost his election for the county of Leitrim...'. When C.S. Clements died in 1877 Beihy became part of Sydney, 3rd Earl's

<sup>2</sup> ROD 316.258.211847.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Registry of Deeds 200.9.131402 and Killadoon Papers.

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estates and under the ownership of Col H.T. Clements Beihy was assimilated into the Mohill estate, as it had been from 1828-54.

**Newtown Gore Estate:** This estate, originally known as the Woodford estate, was bought by Henry Theophilus Clements between 1786-90 under a decree of the Court of Chancery. In Jan 1812 the estate was sold by Col Henry John Clements of Ashfield, Co. Cavan to his cousin Robert Clotworthy Clements for £34,500. [see Ms 33,853 (1)] Following the death of R.C. Clements this estate, like the Beihy one, was inherited by his elder brother Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl. The estate of 2,500 statute acres passed to Robert, 4th Earl after the death of his uncle Sydney, 3rd Earl and was not disentailed until Jan 1879 [see Ms 33,853 (5)]. It was sold in the 1930s to the Irish Land Commission [see Ms 33,869].

**Cloone Estate**: An estate in the possession of William White at the time of R. Griffith's *General Valuation of Rateable Property in Ireland* 1857. Cloone, like the small estate of **Ballinamore**, was part of Col H.T. Clements estates in the 1880s.

## Co. Donegal

**Manors of Vaughan and Dutton**: A fee simple estate bought by Nathaniel Clements from Gustavus Hamilton 2<sup>nd</sup> Viscount Boyne, in 1744.

**Manor of Kilmacrenan**: Nathaniel Clements acquired this estate held by Gustavus Hamilton from Trinity College, Dublin in 1749. The sale involved litigation and Nathaniel Clements' title was not confirmed until a decision by the House of Lords in 1766.

These joint Co. Donegal estates of over 25,000 statute acres became the bulk of Robert, 4th Earl's property in Ireland under the Leitrim Estates Acts of 1879 and 1880. Most of the estate was sold to the Irish Land Commission in the 1930s [see Ms 33,876]. Sydney, 3rd Earl built a residence on the estate in 1865 and members of the family were still living at Mulroy House in the late 1970s.

## Co. Galway

**Rosshill Estate**: The Earls of Leitrim inherited a part of this estate through the marriage of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl and Mary Bermingham, one of the co-heiresses of Robert Bermingham. The estate of 13,595 Irish acres was put up for sale jointly by the Earls of Leitrim and Charlemont in 1860<sup>3</sup>. Part of the estate was not sold as Sydney, 3rd Earl retained a large estate at Rosshill after 1860.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Encumbered Estate Rentals 1860, NLI

## Co. Cavan

**Ashfield Estate**: This estate was bought by Nathaniel Clements c. 1735 as part of the winding up of the affairs of his elder brother, of Rathkenny, Co. Cavan. In 1879 the estate was comprised of approximately 3,908 statute acres and was sold by the Clements family in 1952.

## Co. Kildare

**Killadoon Estate:** An estate originally leased to Robert Clements [1<sup>st</sup> Earl] by Thomas Connolly in the mid 1760s. The Earls of Leitrim continued to lease the estate, of approximately 470 acres, until they bought the fee simple in 1853. Disentailed in 1855, it passed to Col Henry T. Clements under the Leitrim Estates Acts. His descendants have lived at Killadoon to the present day.

## The Papers

The papers in this collection detail some aspects of the history of the Earls of Leitrim during the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Occasional papers relate to the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The collection falls naturally into two parts, the first part covers the administration of the estates, in particular that of the Mohill or Lough Rynn estate in Co. Leitrim. The second part is composed of the solicitors' papers that came from the firm of Warrens in London. The estate papers are a very small part of a large collection of Leitrim/Clements Papers, which is now to be found in a number of different locations, including TCD, Killadoon and NLI. The solicitors' papers are an entity on their own.

The provenance of the estate papers is unclear. They may possibly be composed of three separate deposits. What is certain is that the papers were kept at either Lough Rynn, Killadoon or Ashfield Lodge and that they came to NLI either directly from one of these houses or through an intermediary source. Father Quinn of Athlone who held the Leitrim Papers reported on by Sir John Ainsworth in his *Report on Private Papers No.66*, is credited with depositing these papers in NLI. The only item to be found in the estate papers, which corresponds with Report No. 66, is a photostat [see Ms 33,831]. It appears more likely that the papers came directly from one of the houses, possibly as early as the late 1940s or early 1950s. Ashfield Lodge was sold in 1952. Bound vols, which came to NLI with the estate papers listed here, had already been given Ms numbers by 1965 when Richard Hayes *Manuscript Sources for the History of Irish Civilization* was published [so they did not come with the main deposit of papers from Killadoon in 1968 which have not yet been listed].

The other part of the collection, referred to as the solicitors' papers, came from a legal firm in London. Warrens, solicitors of 5 Bedford Sq, London WC1 deposited the papers with the British Records Association in 1968 and in July 1969 the papers were sent to

NLI. Each bundle of material was stamped with the BRA no. 1602 and with the no. 47 in red pencil.

The estate papers cover the administration of the Cos. Leitrim, Donegal, Galway, Kildare and Cavan estates and the farm administration of the Lough Rynn estate. There are a few papers relating to family, including the Stewart and Molesworth families and some printed items.

The subject content of the solicitors' papers is varied and relates to legal and financial transactions in both Ireland and England. Much of the material is 20<sup>th</sup> century and concerns the administration of trust funds, in particular those providing for the family of Robert, 4th Earl under his marriage settlement and will. Other papers relate to the settlement reached with regard to Sydney, 3rd Earl's estates after his death, which caused the enactment of two private acts of Parliament and to the sale of the Donegal and Newtown Gore estates to the Land Commission in the 1930s. The papers also cover Charles, 5th Earl's speculative purchase and sale of Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent and miscellaneous items, including the applications of three Earls of Leitrim to vote for representative peers for Ireland and papers relating to the divorce and death of Lady Leitrim.

#### Arrangement

Each of the two parts of the collection have been divided into subgroups; the estate papers contain 4 subgroups and the solicitors' papers 7 subgroups. Each subgroup has been further subdivided into sections and many sections have been further subdivided according to the class of document. Each volume, section or subsection has been given a Ms no and covering dates, occasionally an early deed is not included in the covering dates. The papers are arranged chronologically under the various headings.

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Liam Dolan *The Third Earl of Leitrim (1978)* 

Robert McCarthy *The Trinity College Estates* 1800-1923 (1992)

Who was Who 1951-60

Burkes Irish Family Records (1976)

General alphabetical index to the townlands and towns, parishes and baronies of Ireland 1851 (published by Genealogical Publishing Co Inc 1997)

## A. ESTATE PAPERS (Mss 32,639-81 & Mss 33,814-45)

The papers listed here relate to estates belonging to the family of Clements, Earls of Leitrim, in Cos. Leitrim, Donegal and Galway and to the related Clements family in Co. Cavan. The Killadoon property in Co. Kildare is mentioned in a few items but only one document specifically refers to this estate [see Prints and Drawings]. Under the heading estate administration the Mohill/Lough Rynn estate is called Mohill as many of the older documents relate to it under that name. A history of each individual estate is given in the introduction.

The classes of document include leases, rentals, books of costs, accounts, letters, weekly returns and maps. These papers help record the administration of the estates and to some extent the daily routine of the Lough Rynn demesne. There are 3 series of documents, which cover the latter half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century: rentals, books of costs and weekly returns. These series, when augmented with vols already listed in NLI, provide [almost] consecutive runs for some decades. The weekly returns in particular, provide a continuous series from 1838-85 [except for the year 1850-1].

This part of the collection has been arranged in 4 subgroups: estate administration, farm administration, family, miscellaneous. Within the estate administration subgroup the papers are further subdivided into those relating to each individual estate and within each estate they are arranged according to the class of document. Some documents for Co. Leitrim refer to more than one estate and these are listed first, under a section entitled 'Administration of all the Estates'. The letters written by William Rose, clerk to Sydney, 3rd Earl, are included under estate administration although in many cases they refer to activities on the home farm or demesne. However, they also embrace estate business and although relating principally to the Lough Rynn estate, they also cover affairs at the Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore estates. The farm administration only relates to the Lough Rynn estate and is subdivided according to the class of document. There are a few items relating to the Clements family and the Molesworth and Stewart families, who intermarried with the Clements family. A small number of miscellaneous items include printed papers.

#### I. Estate Administration 1749-1913 (Mss 32,639-61 & Mss 33,814-34)

This subgroup covers the administration of the Donegal estates; Rosshill estate, Co. Galway; Ashfield estate, Co. Cavan; Killadoon estate, Co. Kildare and six Co. Leitrim estates: Mohill/Lough Rynn, Beihy, Manorhamilton, Newtown Gore, Cloone and Ballinamore. There are a small number of items relating to the Cloone, Ballinamore, Rosshill and Killadoon estates while the other estates are covered in more detail; 327 items.

## Li. Co. Leitrim: Administration of all the Estates 1841-1913 (Mss 32,639-56 & Mss 33,814-5)

A section composed of rentals, valuation books, books of costs, an account book and letters, mainly relating to the 3 estates of Mohill/ Lough Rynn, Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore. William Rose, clerk to Sydney, 3rd Earl, kept the rentals and was a key person in the administration of the Co. Leitrim estates. George F. Stewart was the agent for the 3 estates in the 1870s and continued to act as agent for all 3 estates after the death of Sydney, 3rd Earl and the division of the ownership of the estates between Col H.T. Clements and Robert, 4th Earl; 52 items.

## **I.i.1. Rentals** (Mss 32,639-46)

8 volumes listing rents received on the Co. Leitrim estates in the 19<sup>th</sup> cent. The early rentals are entitled Co. Leitrim and Co. Sligo as 2 townlands of the Manorhamilton estate were in that county. Other volumes in this series have already been listed as part of the NLI collection and are included here for reference, their Ms nos are in brackets. Each volume refers to the rents due in one year, the year ending on 29 Sept or 1 Nov, actual rent paid and arrears. The rentals from 1850-73 refer to the 3 estates of Mohill, Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore. A small estate called Ballinamore in the parishes of Oughteragh and Drumreilly is included in 1881. The Mohill estate includes Beihy in 1850-1 and 1879-81. Volumes are all multicoloured with red or maroon spines, size approx 25 x 19 cms, 1 - 3 cms thick; 8 items, 1850-81.

[Ms 16,977- 84]	1829-36
[Ms 12809]	1843
[Ms 179]	1844
[Ms 12,810-2]	1845-8 [Note vol for the year ending 1847 is missing]
Ms 32,639	1850 Mohill, Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore estates.
Ms 32,640	1851 Mohill, Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore estates.
[Ms 3,803]	1853
[Ms 180]	1854
[Ms 3,804-5]	1856-7
Ms 32,641	1859 Mohill, Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore estates.
[Ms 3,806]	1862

## (I.i.1. Co. Leitrim Estates: Rentals)

[Ms 3,807-12]	1864-	9
Ms 32,642	1872	Mohill, Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore estates.
Ms 32,643	1873	Mohill, Manorhamilton and Newtown Gore estates.
Ms 32,644	1879	Mohill and Manorhamilton estates.
Ms 32,645	1880	Mohill and Manorhamilton estates.
Ms 32,646	1881	Mohill, Manorhamilton and Ballinamore estates.
[Ms 4,138]	1882	

# I.i.2. Valuation Books (Mss 32,647-9)

3 published books of valuation relating to townlands in Co. Leitrim and to rateable property in the Mohill Union; 3 items, 1841-57.

Ms 32,647	Townland valuation for Co. Leitrim, green vol, size 20 x 28 ½ cms; 47 pp. Includes: 2 loose sheets 1841
Ms 32,648	Duplicate townland valuation, dark coloured vol, size 20 x 27 cms; 50 pp.  Note: 15 loose letters from William Rose to Sydney, 3rd Earl were found inside this book, [see Ms 33,815 (2)] 1841
Ms 32,649	Richard Griffith's <i>General Valuation of Rateable Property in Ireland</i> for the Union of Mohill, multicoloured vol, brown spine, size 24 x 33 cms; 172 pp. 1857

#### (I.i. Co. Leitrim Estates)

## **I.i.3.** Books of Costs (Mss 32,650-3)

4 books of costs in legal proceedings taken against tenants on the Co. Leitrim estates of Col Henry Theophilus Clements and on the Newtown Gore estate of Robert, 4th Earl. Details include: townland and tenant names; nature of proceeding, writ, decree, civil bill; amount of costs; amount of rent due and the result of the proceedings. They also contain a table of the various costs to be awarded under The County Courts Ireland Act 1877 and The Land Act 1887. 4 vols in a consecutive run covering the estates of Lough Rynn, Manorhamilton, Newtown Gore and Ballinamore. Size approx 19 x 24 cms; 4 items, 1887-1913

Ms 32,650	Dark green vol with dark red spine; 77 sheets. 1882 – 5
Ms 32,651	Black vol; 89 sheets. 1886 – 90
Ms 32,652	Brown vol; 128 sheets. 1891 – 8
Ms 32,653	Green vol with brown suede spine. Note Newtown Gore estate is at back of vol; 85 sheets. <i>Includes:</i> some loose sheets 1898 – 1913

#### **I.i.4.** Account Book (Ms 33,814)

Ms 33,814 Account book giving details of Henry John Beresford Clements' account with Messrs J. R. Stewart and Sons, [agents] for the Lough Rynn, Manorhamilton and Killadoon, [Co. Kildare] estates. The debit side shows a wide variety of estate expenses, including the total of Joseph McAdoo's weekly labour account for Lough Rynn and the credit side includes the sale of livestock, rents etc. Dark green vol, maroon spine, size 20 x 32 ½ cms; 25 pp.

Nov 1910 – Oct 1911

## **I.i.5.** Letters (Mss 32,654-6 & Ms 33,815)

2 series of letters from William Rose, Lough Rynn, clerk, to Sydney, 3rd Earl and 3 letter books of copy outgoing letters from William Rose and George Stewart, agent; 36 items, 1855-84.

#### (I.i.5. Co. Leitrim Estates: Letters)

Ms 33,815 (1) Letters from William Rose, Lough Rynn, clerk to Sydney, 3rd Earl sent with William Seekins' [farm steward] weekly returns and estimates [see Ms 33,835 (1-3)]. The letters relate to farm activities and local affairs for example: buying of seeds and trees; sale and movement of cattle; cutting of turf; repairs to the church; building of a house at Newtown Gore; breaking of a drawbridge; repair of iron hurdles; bringing of swans from Killadoon to Lough Rynn; appointment of Mr Johnston as the new Relieving Officer. 1 letter dated 28 April 1855 is incomplete; 17 items.

Apr – Aug 1855, Feb 1856

Ms 33,815 (2) Letters from William Rose to Sydney, 3rd Earl acknowledging the Earl's letters and various sums of money. He informs the Earl about estate matters, including the buying of building materials for work on estate buildings, Farnaght farmhouse, Gortletteragh gatehouse and Nos. 3 and 4 double cottage.

Includes: 1 letter from [Richard C.] Roberts [steward at Lough Rynn from January 1872] to Sydney, 3rd Earl at Manor Vaughan, Co. Donegal, in which he reports on the fruits in the garden and that 'William Boudler [carpenter] is at present putting up the roof over the north room' [Farnaght house]; 16 items.

Note: these letters were found in the Valuation Book Ms 32,648. 26 Aug – 27 Sept 1875

Ms 32.654-5 2 letter books of copy outgoing letters written by William Rose on behalf of Sydney, 3rd Earl and after the Earl's death under the direction of George Stewart, agent. The letters were sent to various persons including James McCulla [bailiff at Manorhamilton]; George Robinson [agent at Rosshill, Co. Galway]; George Murray McGusty, solicitor to Col H.T. Clements; the stationmaster at Dromod, Co. Leitrim and numerous suppliers. The letters concern estate business: ordering of materials; procuring of gun licenses; arrangements for the movement of cattle and horses and the payment of poor rate and supplies. Some letters concern the serving of processes and in 1880-1 many letters were written about civil bills. Includes references to the Manorhamilton estate and a few to the Newtown Gore estate. The letters are on thin, transparent paper and some are faded, index to correspondents in each vol. 1 faded brown vol, 1 dark green vol, size 22 x 27 cms, 1½ cms thick, c. 600 letters in each vol. Feb 1876 – Aug 1877 Aug 1877 - Mar 1884

#### (I.i.5. Co. Leitrim Estates: Letters)

Ms 32,656

Letter book of copy outgoing letters from George [F.] Stewart, agent at Lough Rynn to various persons including Robert, 4th Earl; Col Henry T. Clements; G.M. McGusty; Bray and Warrens; George Robinson and some local persons, for example: W.A.Peyton, Drumsna, Co. Leitrim; R.J. Slack, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim; Miss Kerr, mistress of the Manorhamilton female national school. Letters concern the collection of rents; farming matters; prosecutions for trespass; cutting of trees; the assizes and financial matters. It is apparent from the letters that George Stewart had to consult both Robert, 4th Earl and Col Henry T. Clements about some matters until the dispute over Sydney, 3rd Earl's will was settled [see Ms 33,850]. In a letter to G.M. McGusty dated 16 Nov 1878, he writes '... There is talk among the Manorhamilton tenants of holding back their rents until the will is proved ...'. In another letter, dated 14 Nov 1878, George Stewart refers to Mrs. Makin and her daughter, housekeeper and housemaid at Lough Rynn. [Mrs. Makin's son was shot and killed with Sydney, 3rd Earl]. He ends a letter to Robert, 4th Earl, dated 16 July 1879, '...a good harvest would make a wonderful difference to this country'. Dark green vol, red spine, with unused index, size 21 x 27 cms, 2 cms thick, c. 300 letters.

Nov 1878 – Feb 1880

## I.ii. Co. Leitrim: Mohill/Lough Rynn Estate 1749-1895 (Mss 32,657-8 & Mss 33,816-20)

Leases, rentals, notices for distress, letters, gamekeeper's books, maps and surveys relating to the Mohill estate in the parishes of Mohill and Cloone, known as the Lough Rynn estate from c. 1835; 72 items.

## **I.ii.1.** Leases and Agreements (Ms 33,816)

Leases and agreements by members of the Clements family to tenants, including one 18<sup>th</sup> century lease; 46 items, 1767-1895.

Lease by Nathaniel Clements to Robert Johnson, Charles Johnston and Ms 33,816 (1) Peter Geeland of Cloongeer, [Clooniher?], Co. Longford, of 116 acres of Clooncumber for 3 lives or 15 years, annual rent £48.13s; 1 item. 4 Mar 1767

## (I.ii.1. Mohill/Lough Rynn Estate: Leases and Agreements)

- Ms 33,816 (2) Leases by Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl to Johnston Moreton, Roger Farrell and Patrick Reynolds, parts of Clooncumber for 1 life or 21 years, 3 items. 1831
- Ms 33,816 (3) Lease by Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl to Peter Mulvy of part of Drumgilra for 1 life or 21 years, annual rent £30; 1 item.
  1851
- Ms 33,816 (4) Bundle of printed agreements with Sydney, 3rd Earl for tenancies from year to year and relating to Farnaght, Gortletteragh, 'Tryne' [Trean?], Tooman and Tulcon. Each tenant's acreage and rent is recorded and there are coloured maps of the holdings on the agreements. Includes additional documents such as surrenders and 'proposals for land'. 3 documents relate to the death of Thomas Reynolds of Gortletteragh in 1873. Note: the agreements that are dated 1862, actually began in 1854 [the year Sydney, 3rd Earl succeeded his father]; 39 items. 1862 77
- Ms 33,816 (5) Agreement between Sydney, 3rd Earl and Patrick Reynolds of Clooncumber, fixing the increased rent to be paid on P. Reynolds holding under the Drainage Acts; 1 item.

  8 Aug 1860
- Ms 33,816 (6) Agreement between Col H.T. Clements and Patrick Flynn fixing the judicial rent on 28 acres of Tooman; 1 item.
  7 Jan 1895

## **I.ii.2. Rentals (Ms 33,817)**

Rentals of the estate; 8 items, 1779-1828.

- Ms 33,817 (1) 4 rentals and 1 copy rental, of part of the Conway, Beihy and Esker estates.

  \*\*Includes:\* A description of 'Lands that will be out of lease in Robert Clements esq [1st Earl 1795] Mohill estate the 25th of March 1781'; 7 items.

  1779, 1781, 1797, 1800, 1801
- Ms 33,817 (2) Rental of the Mohill estate, which includes details of the tenants' leases; 1 item.
  c. 1828

## (I.ii. Mohill/Lough Rynn Estate)

#### **I.ii.3.** Notices for Distress (Ms 33,818)

Ms 33,818

4 notices/warrants of distress for rent relating to: 31 tenants on the Mohill estate; Michael Woods of Drumdoo; Widow Cecilly Kerrigan of 'Clooncarne' [Clooncarreen?]; Widow Ellen Reynolds of Farnaght. James Maguinis of Rooskynamona was appointed to carry out the distraining orders by Richard Mayne of Newbliss, Co. Monaghan, agent to Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl; 4 sheets.

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## I.ii.4. Correspondence (Ms 33,819)

Ms 33,819 (1) Petition from Widow McKean, 'Clooncarne' to Viscount Clements [Sydney, 3rd Earl?] for reinstatement; 1 sheet. [1840s?]

Notes to William Rose relating to the tenure of Hugh Murray of Ms 33,819 (2) Gortletteragh; 2 sheets. 1872, 1874

#### I.ii.5. Gamekeeper Books (Mss 32,657-8)

2 gamekeeper books containing accounts of the number of game and Mss 32,657-8 vermin killed each week. One vol records visits to Co. Donegal and Killadoon, Co. Kildare by the gamekeeper and the other vol shows that Robert Sparrow became gamekeeper to Sydney, 3rd Earl on 30 August 1870. Multicoloured vols, red spines, size 27 x 21 cms; 2 items. Nov 1865 – Feb 1867, Jan 1868, Jan 1869 Sept 1870 – Oct 1871

## **I.ii.6.** Maps and Surveys (Ms 33,820 & Ms Maps 1-6)

Maps and surveys of the estate from the mid 18<sup>th</sup> century; 9 items, 1749-1869.

Ms 33,820 (1) 'An abstract of the survey and value of the estate of Nathaniel Clements esq in the county of Leitrim' [parish of Mohill], incomplete list of 22 townlands and their tenants, no map; 1 sheet. n.d. [mid 18<sup>th</sup> cent]

Ms Map 1 2 maps of parts of the parishes of Mohill and Cloone based on *The Down Survey.* These maps were copied in the office of the Surveyor

General of Lands, Dublin Castle. Map size 46 x 37 cms, scale 160 Ms Map 2 perches = 1 inch; 2 items 7 Aug 1749

## (I.ii.6. Mohill/Lough Rynn Estate: Maps and Surveys)

- Ms Map 3 Maps and surveys of Cloonboniagh, Gort and Breanross; Esker and Drumlara for Robert 'Lord Viscount Leitrim' [Robert 1st Earl],

  Ms Map 4 Cornelius Baxter, surveyor, scale 20 perches = 1 inch, size 74 x 54
- Ms Map 4 Cornelius Baxter, surveyor, scale 20 perches = 1 inch, size 74 x 54 cms; 2 items.

  May 1803
- Ms 33,820 (2) Survey of North Clooncoe for Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, Bartholomew Hopkins, surveyor, scale 20 perches = 1 inch, size 38 x 23 cms; 1 item. Nov 1807
- Ms Map 5 Map and survey of Michael and Pat Woods' holding in Drumdoo for Sydney, 3rd Earl, Francis Hopkins, surveyor, scale 20 perches = 1 inch, size 35 x 34 cms; 1 item.

  Oct 1860
- Ms Map 6 'Trace map' of 11 holdings in Drumgilra, scale 20 perches = 1 inch, size 51 x 48 cms; 1 item.
  n.d. [1860s?]
- Ms 33,820 (3) List of tenants, field and farm acreages with 'reference to the map of the Field Survey of Clooncarreen', by Francis Hopkins.

  Note: there is no map with this list; 8 sheets.

  Jan 1869

## I.iii. Co. Leitrim: <u>Beihy Estate</u> 1766-1855 (Mss 33,821-4)

Leases, rental, valuation, accounts and maps relating to the Beihy estate in the parish of Cloone; 51 items.

#### **I.iii.1.** Leases (Ms 33,821)

A bundle (1-3) of printed leases from members of the Clements family to tenants, of parts of Beihy, and agreements to sublease and surrendered leases; 37 items, 1778-1840s.

Ms 33,821 (1) Leases by Robert Clements [1st Earl 1795] to Martin Melton and others, John Reily and others, James Accles and others. 2 leases are for 31 years and the other for 3 lives and they are numbered 33, 34 and 36; 3 items.

1778-9

## (I.iii.1. Beihy Estate: Leases)

Ms 33,821 (2) Leases by Robert Clotworthy Clements to members of the Kane, McKenna, Gilroy, Melton, Carney, Bohan, Quin, Castles, Cramer, Cronogue, Cannon, Murray, Kellagher, Monaghan, Cox, Kinghran, Creegan, Calvery, Hughes, Duigenan and Mulholland families, for the life of John Turner Cooper, second son of Austin Cooper, Merrion Square, Dublin, [accountant to Robert 1st Earl and Nathaniel, 2nd Earl]; individually numbered in a consecutive sequence. Austin Cooper held power of attorney for Robert C. Clements. Small drawing of holding at end of each lease. Surrenders, dated 1838, endorsed on the back of some leases. Occasional comments and notes relating to tenants; 22 items.

13 July1809

Ms 33,821 (3) Leases by Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl to James Connoll, Brian Quin and Francis Melton for 1 life: 3 items.
25 Feb 1831

Ms 33,821(4) Agreements to sublease by the McMana family to James Connoll and by John Cain to John Castles, this latter printed agreement was later surrendered; 2 items.

1817, 1834

Ms 33,821 (5) Bundle of surrendered leases relating to 'Eskeragh' [Esker] and Beihy. 3 Beihy leases are counterparts of Nos. 8, 11 and 16 of the 1809 leases [see (2)] and were produced in court at Sessions of the Peace in 1814 and 1819. Each surrendered lease was wrapped in a page addressed to Richard Mayne esq, Newbliss, [Co. Monaghan, agent to Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl], sealed and stamped 1843. Esker lease of 1807 was wrapped in a page of *The Dublin Evening Post*, dated Saturday 2 February 1846 and inscribed 'lease of part of Beihy'; 4 items. 1840s

#### **I.iii.2.** Rentals (Ms 33,822)

Ms 33,822 (1) Small vol containing 1 written page with a list of rents received. 25 tenants are named for the half year to November 1828. [see also Ms 33,817 (1) & Ms 33,824]. Multicoloured vol, size 19 ½ x 24 ½ cms; 1 p.

Nov 1828

## (I.iii.2. Beihy Estate; Rentals)

Ms 33,822 (2) Rental which includes an account of the administrator of Robert Clotworthy Clements' estate [he died July 1828] with Austin Cooper. [see Ms 33,829]; 4 pp. 1828-9

## **I.iii.3.** Valuation (Ms 33,823)

Ms 33,823 Small vol containing a list of occupiers and a description of size and valuation of each holding. Except in one or two instances the tenants' names are exactly the same as those in Ms 33,822; includes map. Maroon vol, gold embossed, size 18½ x 23; 6 pp. [c. 1855?]

## I.iii.4. Maps (Ms 33,824 & Ms Map 7)

18<sup>th</sup> century map of Beihy by Richard Frizell and 19<sup>th</sup> century maps by Bartholomew and Francis Hopkins; 14 items, 1776-1846.

Ms Map 7 M Map of the estate by Richard Frizell containing 257 acres and 'purchased from the Earl of Bellamont by the Rt Hon Nathaniel Clements', scale 20 perches = 1 inch; 1 item.

Dec 1776

Ms 33,824 Maps of the estate surveyed by Bartholomew Hopkins and Francis Hopkins. 7 maps dated 1809, scale 20 perches = 1 inch; 13 items. 1807, 1809, 1825, [1831?], 1833, 1846

## Liv. Co. Leitrim: Manorhamilton Estate 1768-1863 (Mss 33,825-8)

Lease, correspondence, legal opinions, accounts and maps relating to this estate in the parishes of Killasnet and Cloonclare; 68 items.

#### **I.iv.1.** Lease (Ms 33,825)

Ms 33,825 Lease by Nathaniel Clements to Charles Humphreys of 'Drombann' [Drumbane], Co. Fermanagh, of a tenement in Manorhamilton, for 3 lives; 1 item.

10 Oct 1768

## (I.iv. Manorhamilton Estate)

## **I.iv.2.** Correspondence and Legal Opinions (Ms 33,826)

Bundle (1-5) of correspondence and legal opinions concerning various cases taken against tenants for possession; c. 40 items, 1810-58.

- Ms 33,826 (1) Case and W.C. Plunkett's [Q C] opinion relating to the renewal of leases on the lands of 'Foghery' [Faughery] to the Cullen family and on tenements in Manorhamilton to the Carter and Wilson families; 3 pp. 1810
- Ms 33,826 (2) Letter to Sydney, 3rd Earl from John Faris, solicitor, Ulster Chambers, 9 Dame St, Dublin relating to a case against 'Blair', includes a copy of James Robinson QC opinion on 'direction of proofs'; 2 items.

  June 1856
- Ms 33,826 (3) Case papers and legal opinions relating to Sydney, 3rd Earl's attempts to regain possession of various holdings. Cases against Robert Tate of Manorhamilton who had interests in Cartronatemple' [James Abercomby was the original lessee] and McSharry's land in Clooneen and Andrew McGowan and Neal Somerville of Tullyskeherny. The Cartronatemple case was prepared for Court by John Faris. Other cases prepared by Johnston Teevan, solicitor, Farrancassidy, Belleek, Co. Fermanagh and 50 Middle Abbey St, Dublin. Legal advice was given by James Robinson QC, James Major QC and Francis McDonagh QC; 9 items. 1856-8
- Ms 33,826 (4) Letters to Sydney, 3rd Earl from various persons relating in particular to a case against James Tate and his possession of Isdell's tenement beside Whittaker's Bridge in Manorhamilton. Holdings occupied by 'Robinson' and 'Cunningham' were also involved. Includes 11 letters from John Faris, who wrote the following in an undated letter [July 1857?] '... perhaps it would be as well to postpone the service of notice to quit on Rogan, until after the election, as if now served, Rogan would make use of it with the Roman Catholic tenants of your Lordships as an argument to induce them to vote against your candidate...' Other letters from John Brooks [surveyor]; Thomas Croker, 37 Dominick St, Dublin, solicitor to James Tate; S. Armstrong and James Algro. 1 letter to John Faris from Thomas Croker, 1 letter to James McCulla, [bailiff] from James Tate, statements from Thomas McGuiny and James Tate; 20 items. 1857

## (I.iv.2. Manorhamilton Estate: Correspondence and Legal Opinions)

Ms 33,826 (5) Letters to Sydney, 3rd Earl from Johnston Teevan, solicitor; James McCulla [bailiff]; Thomas Croker and Hugh McDermott who wrote on 9 July 1858 to inform Sydney, 3rd Earl of his successful appeal in the Clooneen case; 7 items.

1858

## **I.iv.3.** Accounts (Ms 33,827)

Ms 33,827 Accounts of James McCulla [bailiff] relating to bog let on the estate in summer of 1863 and to the cost of reopening the tuckmill race and repairing fences in the townland of Manorhamilton, from which Robert Robinson had been evicted by [Sydney 3<sup>rd</sup>] Earl; 2 items. 1863, n.d. [1860s?]

## Liv.4. Maps (Ms 33,828 & Ms Map 8)

Bundle of maps and plans of the estate made for Nathaniel,  $2^{nd}$  Earl and Sydney, 3rd Earl. All these items were found together, wrapped in a copy of *The Daily Express*, dated 6 March 1856. Maps vary in size, some are coloured, scale 20 perches = 1 inch; 28 items, 1828 - 56.

- Ms Map 8 M Map of Skreeny demesne 'the residence of Col J.J. Cullen by T.Sharpe', CE, watercolour; 1 item. 1828
- Ms 33,828 (1) Maps and surveys of part of Lisnabrack; Ross; Captain John Armstrong's farm in Ross; 'Cornstalk' bog; Diffreen new river and tenements in Manorhamilton by Michael McGoldrick, Sliganagh, Drumahaire, surveyor. Includes notes to Berry Norris, [agent], George W. Bruce and Richard Mayne [agent] from M. McGoldrick; 18 items.

  1831, 1837-44

## (I.iv.4. Manorhamilton Estate: Maps)

- Ms 33,828 (2) Maps, plans and surveys as follows;
  - a) plan of John Ferguson's tenement in Manorhamilton, William Horn, surveyor, 1829;
  - b) plan of Thomas Corscadden's tenement in Manorhamilton, William Ennis, surveyor, 1844;
  - c) survey of Donagh More, Francis Mitchell, surveyor, 1848;
  - d) map of Francis Wilson's farm, Donagh More, Francis Mitchell, surveyor 1850;
  - e) sketch of John Treacy's garden let to R. Robinson, Manorhamilton, Francis Mitchell, surveyor 1850;
  - f) map of tuck mill park and part of 'Rathmeeny', R. Annesley Mayne, CE, 1852
  - g) plan of Wesleyan preaching house, Manorhamilton, John Brooks, surveyor, 1856, includes his letter to Sydney, 3rd Earl relating to the plan;
  - h) rough map of Ramooney, John Brooks, surveyor, 1857; 9 items. 1829, 1844, 1848, 1850, 1852, 1856-7

#### **I.iv.5.** Rentals (Ms 49,372)

- Ms 49,372 /1 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for the two years to 1 May 1804. It includes two separate accounts of Robert Clements, 1<sup>st</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1802 and 1803.
- Ms 49,372 /2 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for the two years to 1 May 1806. It includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1804 and 1805.
- Ms 49,372 /3 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for the two years to 1 May 1808. It includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1806 and 1807.
- Ms 49,372 /4 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for the two years to 1 May 1810. It includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1808 and 1809.
- Ms 49,372 /5 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for the two years to 1 May 1812. It includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1810 and 1811.

Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for two years to 1 May 1814. It Ms 49.372 /6 includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim with Austin Cooper in 1812 and 1813. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for two years to 1 May 1816. It Ms 49,372 /7 includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1814 and 1815. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for two years to 1 May 1818. It Ms 49,372 /8 includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1816 and 1817. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for two years to 1 May 1820. It Ms 49,372 /9 includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper in 1818 and 1819. Ms 49,372 /10 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for two years to 1 May 1822. It includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim with Austin Cooper in 1820 and 1821. Ms 49,372 /11 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for two years to 1 May 1824. It includes two separate accounts of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim with Austin Cooper in 1822 and 1823. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for the half year to 1 November Ms 49,372 /12 1824. It includes a separate account of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for the half year to 1 May 1825. It Ms 49,372 /13 includes a separate account of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim. with Austin Cooper. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for one year to 1 May 1826. It Ms 49,372 /14 includes a separate account of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper. Ms 49,372 /15 Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for one year to 1 May 1827. It includes a separate account of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim, with Austin Cooper. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for one year to 1 May 1828. It Ms 49,372 /16 includes a separate account of Nathaniel Clements, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim with Austin Cooper. Rental of the Manorhamilton Estate for one year to 1 May 1829. It Ms 49,372 /17 includes a separate account of Nathaniel Clements. 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leitrim

with Austin Cooper.

## I.v. Co. Leitrim: Newtown Gore Estate 1827-47 (Mss 33,829-30)

A map and 2 pages of accounts relating to the Newtown Gore estate in the parishes of Carrigallen and Drumreilly; 2 items.

## I.v.1. Accounts (Ms 33,829)

Ms 33,829 Robert Clotworthy Clements in account with Austin Cooper for the

rent of the 'Woodford' [Newtown Gore] estate. [see Ms 33,824]; 2 pp.

1827

## I.v.2. Map (Ms 33,830)

Ms 33,830 Map of 5 town plots at Newtown Gore, surveyed by G. and W.

Latimer, scale 12 perches = 1 inch, size  $22 \frac{1}{2}$  x  $24 \frac{1}{2}$  cms;

1 item. 1847

#### I.vi. Co. Leitrim: Cloone Estate 1893-1912 (Ms 32,659)

A book of costs relating to the Cloone estate, the only item relating to this estate in the collection. The estate does not appear to have been in the ownership of the Earls of Leitrim; 1 item.

## **I.vi.1.** Book of Costs (Ms 32,659)

Ms 32,659

Book of costs in legal proceedings taken against tenants on the Cloone estate. [see Ms 32,650-3]. Green vol, brown spine, size 19 x 24 cms; 80 sheets. 1893 - 1912

## I.vii. Co. <u>Donegal Estates</u> 1836-69 (Mss 33,831-2)

A rental, correspondence and associated papers relating to the Donegal estates; 47 items.

## **I.vii.1.** Rental (Ms 33,831)

Ms 33,831

Negative photostat of a rental 'Return of the several townlands in the Manor of Vaughan and Dutton, the fee simple estate of the [Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup>] Earl', gives the names of original lessees, present holders, population for each townland and was compiled by John and James Cochran. Note: this is the only item in the collection that corresponds with Sir John Ainsworth's *Report on Private Collections No. 66.* Page size 49 x 34 cms; 11 sheets.

July 1836

## I.vii.2. Correspondence and Associated Papers (Ms 33,832)

Ms 33,832

Correspondence relating to Sydney, 3rd Earl's administration of his Donegal estates, in particular his repossession of the Fanavolty Reserve. Letters to the Earl from persons in his employment; William McAdoo, Leat Beg, herd and caretaker: Robert Wilson, Ballyheerin, shepherd: Johnston Moreton,[bailiff] including pages of his weekly diary reports on the 'Fannet' estate: Matthew Stewart, clerk in the Milford Office: Henry Oliver [agent]: James Cochran, Clerk of the Peace Office, Lifford: Capt Baker [agent] and James Baxter, Rosscad, caretaker of the Creeslough Plantation. Some copy reply letters kept by the Earl. Other papers include genealogical information about tenants; 2 memorandum of tenants evicted 1855-63; 2 undated lists of men paid monthly wages; miscellaneous items for example 'soundings taken from Tullyconnell lake' by Mr. McElroy in September 1862; c. 46 items.

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## I.viii. Co. Galway: Ross Hill Estate 1864-8 (Mss 32,660-1)

Rentals relating to this estate in the parish of Ross, where George James Robinson, Ballinahinch, Co. Galway was the agent; 2 items.

## I.viii.1. Rentals (Mss 32,660-1)

2 rentals which include accounts of expenditure in the back of the vols. 3 other rentals previously listed in NLI are also included, their Ms nos are given in brackets. Size 25 x 19 cms; 2 items, 1864-8.

Ms 32,660 Multicoloured vol, red spine; 40 sheets. 1864

[Ms 3,813-4] 1866-7

Ms 32,661 Green vol, red spine; 47 sheets. 1868

[Ms 3,815] 1869

## Lix. Co. Cavan: Ashfield Estate 1757-1832 (Mss 33,833-4)

Leases, accounts and maps relating to the Ashfield estate in the parish of Kildrumsherdan; 32 items.

## **I.ix.1.** Leases (Ms 33,833)

Leases by Nathaniel Clements and Henry Theophilus Clements to tenants; 16 items, 1757-1812.

Ms 33,833 (1) Printed leases by Nathaniel Clements to his tenant James Brady, Joseph Johnston and Philip Morrow of parts of 'Carrabak' and Tonaghbane. Leases by Joseph Simpson and Joseph Johnston of parts of Birragh and Tonaghbane; 5 items. 1757, 1765, 1769, 1773

Ms 33,833 (2) Printed leases by Henry Theophilus Clements to his tenants relating to the following: Lettermore, 'Corrobea', Birragh, Corballyquill, 'Dooharick', Tonaghbane and Carrickalwy; 11 items.

1782 - 1812

#### (I.ix. Ashfield Estate)

## **I.ix.2.** Accounts (Ms 33,834)

Various accounts relating to a debt, purchase of Claragh, labourers and emigrants; 5 items, 1787-1832.

- Ms 33,834 (1) Certificate of satisfaction of a debt of £8,400 owed by Henry Theophilus Clements to John Parr.

  \*Includes: the will of John Parr , Governor of Nova Scotia, dated 14 Feb 1787; 2 items.

  28 May 1811
- Ms 33,834 (2) Bill of costs Col Henry John Clements with Thomas Faris [solicitor] regarding the purchase of the lands of Claragh, Co. Cavan from Thomas Wills; 1 item. 1815 17
- Ms 33,834 (3) Accounts Col Henry J. Clements with John Boyd and labourers' accounts paid by John Boyd; 2 pp. c. 1828-9
- Ms 33,834 (4) Account of money paid to emigrants from [Co. Cavan?]; 2 pp. Apr 1831 Mar 1832

#### **I.ix.3.** Maps (Ms Maps 9-18)

Ms Map 9 S Map and survey of Claragh for 'Mr. Laurence Smyth' by John Bruster, surveyor, scale 20 perches = 1 inch; 1 item.

April 1797

Maps and surveys of the Ashfield estate of Col Henry John Clements, made by 2 surveyors Edward Reilly and John Dolan. Maps vary in size, scales from 10 –20 perches = 1 inch; 9 items.

The maps show parts of the following;

- Ms Map 10 M a) Tonaghbane, 1798;
- Ms Map 11 M b) 'Corcalvey', 1798;
- Ms Map 12 M c) 'Corcalvy' and Corballyquill, 1799;
- Ms Map 13 M d) Corraweelis, 1803;
- Ms Map 14 M e) 'Intended line of new road between the towns of Cavan and Cootehill. 1803:
- Ms Map 15 M f) Corrawellis and part of Tonaghbane, 1803;
- Ms Map 16 M g) 'Duharick', Lettermore and Corballyquill, 1803;
- Ms Map 17 M h) Corballyquill, 1808;
- Ms Map 18 M i) 14 acres of bog on the border with Co Monaghan, n.d. 1797-1803, 1808, n.d.

## II. Farm Administration 1830-1915 (Mss 32,662-81 & Mss 33,835-7)

This subgroup covers the administration of the demesne farm at Lough Rynn, Co. Leitrim. It contains weekly returns of wages paid to farm workers, account books of Joseph McAdoo [clerk] and architectural drawings and plans of buildings, furniture, fittings and other features on the farm and in the gardens [see also Mss 32,654-6 & Ms 33,815].

1 plan relates to the dairy at Killadoon, Co. Kildare; c. 225 items.

## II.i. Weekly Returns (Mss 32,662-81 & Ms 33,835)

Bound vols and loose sheets of weekly returns for the farm and garden kept by the farm steward [William Seekins in the 1850s and Richard C. Roberts in the 1890s]. There are 20 bound vols and another 4 vols were previously listed in NLI and their Ms numbers are included in brackets. There is a continuous series of vols from April 1838 - Nov 1885, except for the year 1850-1. 6 vols are missing between Nov 1885 and Nov 1907. Some vols have the first few pages cut out. Most vols cover a 2 year period from Nov to Nov and contain c.100 sheets but there are 2 vols covering 3 years, c.150 sheets and 2 vols covering 1 year, c.50 sheets. Vol size 45 x 57 cms. The weekly returns record the wages paid to workers: on the farm and plantations; in the house, stable and gardens and for extra work done 'on the estate account'. They include an 'observations column' and details about the weather and provide much information about the daily routine of the farm and garden, but also cover other local employment.; 93 items, 1838-1907.

[Ms 3,026]	Apr 1838–Nov 1846	
[Ms 3,027]	Nov 1846–Dec 1848	
Ms 32,662	Dec 1848–Nov 1850	
	Nov 1850-Nov 1851	1 vol missing
[Ms 3,028]	Nov 1851-Nov 1854	
Ms 32,663	Nov 1854–Nov 1857	
[Ms 3,029]	Nov 1857–Nov 1860	
Ms 32,664	Nov 1860–Nov 1863	
Ms 32,665	Nov 1863-Nov 1865	

# (II.i. Weekly Returns)

Ms 32,666	Nov 1865-Nov 1867	
Ms 32,667	Nov 1867-Nov 1869	
Ms 32,668	Nov 1869-Nov 1871	
Ms 32,669	Nov 1871-Nov 1873	
Ms 32,670	Nov 1873-Nov 1875	
Ms 32,671	Nov 1875-Nov 1877	
Ms 32,672	Nov 1877-Nov 1879	
Ms 32,673	Nov 1879-Nov 1800	
Ms 32,674	Nov 1800-Nov 1881	
Ms 32,675	Nov 1881-Nov 1883	
Ms 32,676	Nov 1883-Nov 1885	
	Nov 1885–Nov 1887	1 vol missing
Ms 32,677	Nov 1887-Nov 1889	
	Nov 1889–Nov 1891	1 vol missing
Ms 32,678	Nov 1891–Nov 1893	
Ms 32,679	Nov 1893–Nov 1895	
	Nov 1895–Nov 1902	3 vols missing
Ms 32,680	Nov 1902–Nov 1903	
	Nov 1903–Nov 1905	1 vol missing
Ms 32,681	Nov 1905–Nov 1907	
Ms 33,835 (1)	<del>_</del>	eturns, these were the copies sent to Sydney, . [see Ms 33,815 (1)] size 44 x 56 cms;

#### (II.i. Weekly Returns)

Ms 33,835 (2) Weekly returns of William Seekins' account with Sydney, 3rd Earl, including details of payments to tradesmen and labourers and his estimates for the coming week; 24 sheets.

1855 – 6

Ms 33,835 (3) Weekly returns of W. Seekins sent to Sydney, 3rd Earl which give details of work done on Farnaght church building and lime kiln and the numbers of children attending the Farnaght and Esker National Schools. Adam Johnston, schoolmaster of Farnaght, wrote a letter to Sydney, 3rd Earl in Feb 1856, reporting the poaching of a hare on Cashel bog. Includes a few letters, notes and bills. [see also Ms 33,815 (1)]; 25 sheets.

1855-6

Ms 33,835 (4) Books of workmen's weekly accounts entitled 'Errew Pay List', giving a daily account of how each worker was employed. Many of these weekly accounts were signed by Joseph McAdoo, for R.C.Roberts and witnessed by Robert McCormack. Multicoloured vols, soft covers. Size 23 x 37 cms; 2 items.

Oct 1899 – Oct 1900,
July – Aug 1901

#### II.ii. Account Books (Ms 33,836)

4 account books kept by Joseph McAdoo, [clerk] relating to postage, milk, cottage garden show and the estate poor fund; 4 items, 1888-1908.

- Ms 33,836 (1) Notebook containing lists of persons to whom letters were dispatched and cost of postage [kept by Joseph McAdoo]. On 4 June 1890 the final amount of £2.10s.5d. was paid by William Rose. Maroon book, soft cover, size 10 x 16 cms; 31 sheets.

  July 1888 June 1890
- Ms 33,836 (2) A vol entitled 'Lough Rynn Poor Fund', kept by Joseph McAdoo, gives name of recipient, their address and monthly sum of money received. A 'remarks' column contains details of distribution of blankets, flannel and calico. Brown vol, size 20 x 23 ½ cms; c. 80 sheets.

  1893 1915

## (II.ii. Account Books)

Ms 33,836 (3) Notebook entitled 'Lough Rynn Cottage Garden Show commencing 16

September 1896' and Lough Rynn Industrial Show, 18 August 1897; gives details of class entrants, prizes won, entry fees received by Joseph McAdoo and a statement of account. Includes a list of applicants for vegetable marrow plants and flower seeds 1898. Black vol, soft cover, size 16 ½ x 20 cms; 46 sheets.

1896 - 8

Ms 33,836 (4) Milk account book showing amounts of milk in pounds weight

[produced/provided] each morning [and evening?] and the daily amounts of milk, cream and butter supplied to Joseph McAdoo and the household. Multicoloured vol, maroon spine, size 13 x 20 cms; c.100

sheets.

Feb 1907 - Apr 1908

## II.iii. Inventory and Architectural Drawings (Ms 33,837)

An inventory of furniture in estate houses and the contents of a folder of drawings and plans particularly relating to estate buildings and features but also to other local buildings, including a police barracks, a school and a chapel; c. 100 items, 1830s-70s.

Ms 33,837 (1) Inventory of furniture in Lough Rynn estate office, steward's house

and other estate houses and cottages, including the post office, male and female schools in Farnaght and Lisdadanan gatehouse. Pale blue sheets sewn together, size 24 x 38 cms; 50 pp.

1866 - 74

Prints and Plans for stable building [at Lough Rynn?], interior and exterior

drawings are included; 2 items.

19<sup>th</sup> cent

Architectural drawings and other items all found together in 1 folder;

101 items.

[1830s-60s]

**Drawings** 

## (II.iii. Inventory and Architectural Drawings)

# Prints and Drawings

Architectural drawings, ground plans and specifications for various features including gates, loose boxes, fire places, a new garden and farm buildings, all in manuscript. Includes: design for an 'upholsteress' ladder 1830; plan for the yard by Thomas Hanlon, 1834; drawing of Clooncoe National School, 1834; plan for a cattle shed, 1843; design of gate for Farnaght school house, 1844; ground plan of Cloone Chapel of Ease [Farnaght Church], 1852 [see Ms 33,835 (3)]; many designs and drawings of features for the new gardens, 1859; design of window fittings in new stables by Edward Willis, 1861; design for the flood gate at the Tulcon weir wall, 1867; dimensions of female school at Farnaght, 1867; plan for a new addition to Clooncumber Constabulary Barracks, n.d.; ground plan of a dairy at Killadoon by Robert Boudler, 1858; measurements and a drawing of 'cosy chair in my room Cumberland Place', n.d.; c. 70 items. [1830s –60s]

# Prints and Drawings

Printed designs and drawings of the following: green houses from Turner and Gibson, Hammersmith Iron Works, Ballsbridge, Dublin; ornamental gutters from John G. Strong and Sons, Dublin; ventilators and sashes from Fairs and Compy, Pimlico, London; iron works from Walter MacFarlane and Co, Glasgow and London; constabulary barracks for a rural subdistrict by Richard C. Cuming, architect; dispensary by George Wilkinson, architect 1852. Also included are a prospectus and ground plan of Kyle Park National Agricultural School established by Thomas George Stoney 1845; description and plan of a school with a letter written to *The Farmer's Gazette* by D.J. Wilson 1845; coloured blank certificate from the Royal Agricultural Improvement Society, Ireland and a coloured advertisement for 'Specimens of ancient ecclesiastical architecture' from John W. Parker, West Strand, London; 15 items.

[1830s-60s]

#### Ms 33.837 (2)

The following items contain text only: estimate of the cost and details of the masonry work to be carried out by Anthony O'Beirne on a cottage for 'Lord Clements' 1834 [Robert B. Clements]; specifications and costs for the building of a double cottage at Lough Rynn by James Mathews 1842; estimate for the expense of 'building a wooden house in the bog for Lord Clements' [later Sydney, 3rd Earl] with a letter from Peter Connor, Sligo dated 1843; suggestions regarding the building of a Swiss [cottage] 1865; 16 items. [1830s-60s]

## III. Family 1758-1884 (Ms 33,838-41)

The family papers contain miscellaneous items relating to the 2 branches of the Clements family covered by this collection and to the Stewart and Molesworth families. The latter families were connected through the marriage in 1811 of Col Henry J. Clements of Ashfield Lodge, Co. Cavan and Louisa, second daughter of James Stewart of Killymoon, Co. Tyrone and his wife Elizabeth Molesworth; 29 items.

#### III.i. Clements Family 1758-1884 (Ms 33,838)

These papers relate to the branch of the Clements family that lived at Ashfield Lodge, Co. Cavan; 4 items.

Ms 33,838 (1) [Lt Col] Henry Theophilus Clements' diary of military orders and commands, while on campaign in Europe. [see also NLI n.4581 p.4547 and n.4396 p.4067, microfilms of 2 diaries written while on campaign in North America 1857-8].

Pale coloured paper booklet, size 16 x 19 ½ cms; 40 sheets.

July 1758 – Apr 1759

Ms 33,838 (2) Col Henry John Clements' appointment as Deputy Lieutenant of Co.Cavan; 1 item.
20 Apr 1835

Ms 33,838 (3) Printed book of score sheets for cricket matches played between The Co. Kildare Club and other named teams. Names of players and the different scores are entered in pencil.

Includes: 1 loose letter from [T.M.] FitzMaurice Pratt, Glenheath, Manor Kilbride, Co. Dublin to Mr. Mansfield, [George Mansfield, Morristown Lattin, Co. Kildare?], dated 8 June 1885 enclosing 'the second half notes for the K[ildare]C[ricket] C[lub]'. Size 35 x 21 cms; 2 items.

1882 - 4

## **III.ii.** Molesworth Family 1784-91 (Mss 33,839)

Ms 33,839 Documents relating to Richard Nassau, Viscount Molesworth of Swords, Co. Dublin (1748-93), as follows:

- a) lease of Ellistown, Co. Dublin to William Alexander, alderman;
- b) bill and receipt from Thomas Gray, jeweller;
- c) acknowledgement of receipt of monies relating to the effects of the Hon Letitia Molesworth; 3 items.

1784, 1789, 1791

## III.iii. Stewart Family 1792-1820 (Ms 33,840)

Ms 33,840 Documents relating to James Stewart of Killymoon, Co. Tyrone;

- a) 2 original wills dated 1792 and 1805;
- b) appointment as captain in the New Mills Corps of Volunteer Yeomanry 1796;
- c) list of the Tyrone Registry of Freeholders 1812;
- d) printed address and letter from Alexander Duffy, Dungannon, Co. Tyrone, relating to the election campaign of 1820; 5 items.
   1792, 1796, 1805, 1812, 1820

# III.iv. Earl of Leitrim Family 19th century (Ms 33,841)

Miscellaneous items relating to the 'Leitrim' branch of the Clements family; 17 items.

Ms 33,841 Viscount [William Sydney] Clements' current account which shows that he received a quarterly allowance of £180 from his father,

Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl and that the master of Farnaght school was paid a

salary of £10; 5 sheets.

1851 - 4

Prints and Drawings

Miscellaneous items mainly unidentified drawings and prints [someone's personal portfolio?], includes; 1 page on which there are 2 drawings of a 2 story house and the names W[illiam] S[ydney] Clements and C[harles] S[keffington] Clements, 26 April 1821; a pencil drawing of Bayham Abbey, Sussex and a plan of an estate house and demesne. [see also Ms 33,845]; 16 items. 19<sup>th</sup> cent

#### IV. Miscellaneous 1791-1927 (Ms 33,842-5)

A subgroup containing some printed items, a letter, an agreement and a will; 8 items.

# IV.i. Printed Items (Ms 33,842)

Ms 33,842 Miscellaneous printed items as follows:

- a) Declaration of the Catholic Society of Dublin, 1791
- b) "The Late Marquis of Ormonde' reprinted from *The Kilkenny Moderator* dated 30 September 1854.
- c) A page advertising 'Harmsworth Home Doctor'.
- d) 2 prints; 5 items. 1791, 1854, c. 1927, n.d.

# IV.ii. Letter (Ms 33,843)

Ms 33,843

Letter from H. G. Edwards, 92 Lower Mount Street, Dublin to Mrs. Burke, 'Drumkeen', in which he refers to an operation to be performed on him 'in my 82<sup>nd</sup> year' by doctors Hamilton and Smyth. There is a note on this letter 'Ross v. Burke 4/3/[18]72 G.Smith A.C.R.'; 4 pp. 21 Nov 1870

#### IV.iii. Agreement (Ms 33,844)

Ms 33,844

Agreement between [Sir Thomas Taylour, 3<sup>rd</sup>] Marquis of Headfort and William Black for a weekly tenancy in Suffolk Street, Kells, Co. Meath; 1 item. 1888

# IV.iv. Will (Ms 33,845)

Ms 33,845

Draft will of Miss Annie Dallas Smyly, 23 Grattan Street, Dublin, [in 1909 she was hon sec of Mrs. Smyly's homes and schools, connected to Irish Church Missions]. She refers to a number of relatives including her 'late sister Louisa Stewart' and to her share in the lands of Ballina and Derries, Co. Offaly. This will was in the folder of unidentified drawings and prints [see Miscellaneous III.iv.]; 1 item. 1911

# B. SOLICITORS' PAPERS (Mss 33,846-89)

A firm of solicitors named Warrens represented the legal interests of the Earls of Leitrim in England for over a hundred years. Many of the following papers were created and accumulated by Warrens in their role as solicitors to 3 family trusts, namely the Marriage Settlement and the Will Trusts of Robert, 4th Earl and the Donegal Settlement of Charles, 5th Earl. The earliest reference to Warrens is a letter from Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, dated 1833, addressed to Bray and Warrens, 57 Great Russell St, Bloomsbury, London. In 1870 the firm was known as Bray, Warren, Harding and Co of 99 Great Russell St, London. Rev Francis Nathaniel Clements wrote to George Harding concerning his second marriage settlement at this time. Reginald A. Warren represented the interests of Robert, 4th Earl during the dispute over Sydney, 3rd Earl's will. In 1917 Warrens changed their address to 5 Bedford Sq, London. The partners in 1928 were R.O. Warren, B.R. Warren and G.W. Gotto. Bertram R. Warren represented the interests of Charles, 5<sup>th</sup> Earl on many occasions and some letters suggest they were on friendly terms. By 1941 the three partners in the firm were B.R. Warren, G.W. Gotto and J.D. Kerr. Warrens is now incorporated into the firm of solicitors known as Denton Hall, 5 Chancery Lane, Clifford's Inn, London.

In the early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century Warrens occasionally kept notes of their replies on the back of letters received by them. From 1910 they began to keep carbon copies of their outgoing letters on thin, transparent paper. Some of these copies are now faded and crumpled. There are a number of long series of correspondence between Warrens and other parties on a particular subject dating from the 1930s. In the early 1940s a better quality blue paper came into use for their copy reply letters. Bills and receipts for Warrrens' professional charges are found throughout the papers. Many of Charles, 5th Earl's letters are not dated. It is important to note that Warrens were also solicitors to the Equitable Life Assurance Society. Charles, 5th Earl was in debt to this society from 1912 until his death in 1952. Coutts and Co, 440 Strand, London was the bank used by the Earls of Leitrim.

The papers listed here are composed of copy legal papers, financial papers and in particular letters and are mainly derived from the terms of marriage settlements and wills of three earls of Leitrim and Rev Francis Nathaniel Clements, father of Robert, 4th Earl. They arrived in NLI in bundles, some bundles related exclusively to the one subject while others contained papers relating to different matters. The bundles which have been kept together are clearly identified in the text. Other bundles have been broken up and rearranged and where necessary links between diverse items are established by cross references.

The papers have been arranged in seven sections, five sections bearing the name of a particular person and the name of the document which caused the creation of many of the papers in that section. The first section relates to Rev F.N. Clements who married, for the second time, in Jan 1870 and died 5 months later. The second section concerns the terms of the will of Sydney, 3rd Earl, which caused the enactment of the Leitrim Estates

# **Leitrim Papers**

Acts of 1879 and 1880. There are 2 sections covering the trusts set up by Robert, 4th Earl's marriage settlement and will. The Donegal [or Irish] Settlement, part of the marriage settlement of Charles, 5th Earl and Violet Henderson [Lady Leitrim], is covered in section IX. The last 2 sections relate to Charles, 5th Earl's purchase of properties in England and to miscellaneous papers. Appendix 1 contains a list of addresses of some of Warrens' correspondents.

# V. Rev Francis N. Clements 2<sup>nd</sup> Marriage Settlement and Will 1870 (Mss 33,846-8)

Rev Francis Nathaniel Clements of Norton Vicarage, Stockton on Tees, Durham, married, as his second wife, Amelia Verner, Eaton Sq, Belgravia, Middlesex. The trustees of their marriage settlement, dated 5 Jan 1870, were William Rolle Malcolm of The Board of Trade and Great Stanhope St, Mayfair, London; Richard R. Wingfield, The Castle, Dublin; Charles S. Clements and Ynyr Burges. Rev F. N. Clements settled the interest, from a sum of £10,000, as a jointure for his wife. This £10,000 was made up of 2 loans of £5,000 and £4,000 to the Tees Conservancy Commissioners, Stockton on Tees, and £1,000 invested in the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co. Rev F.N. Clements died on 27 May 1870. In his will, of which C.S. Clements was the executor, he left the £10,000 after his wife's death, to his children in the following proportions £2,500 to his son R. B. Clements and £1,500 each to 5 of his daughters [Lady Caroline Madden was the exception]. The following papers relate to some of the provisions in Rev F. N. Clements' marriage settlement and will after his death in 1870 and the deaths of his widow in 1911 and his daughter, Lady Emily Harper, in 1918; c. 355 items.

### V.i. Rev F.N. Clements 1869-92 (Ms 33,846)

Bundle (1-7) of papers relating to the marriage settlement; retransfer of Amelia Clements' interests; purchase of a house for her; probate of the will and the reinvestment of the £10,000; c. 155 items.

1869-71

- Ms 33,846 (1) Letters to Warrens [George Harding] from Rev F. N. Clements; Henry Falls, 7 Lower Dominick St, Dublin, solicitor to the Verner family and others. Includes some copy reply letters from Warrens and notes; c. 50 sheets.

  1869 70
- Ms 33,846 (2) Copy abstract of title to certain charges and a copy deed of appointment Sir William Verner Bart to his daughter, Amelia Verner; 2 items. 1870

#### (V.i. Rev F.N. Clements 1869-92)

- Ms 33,846 (3) Draft contract and assignment Thomas Bingham, Norwood, Surrey to Amelia Clements relating to the purchase of a house and 8 acres known as Woodfield, Biggin Hill, Norwood, Surrey. Includes correspondence from Charles S. Clements and McLeod and Watney, 16 London St, Fenchurch St, London solicitors for T. Bingham; 17 items. Oct Nov 1870
- Ms 33,846 (4) Draft legal and financial papers relating to the will of Rev F.N. Clements including; wills of Rev F.N. Clements 1870 and Amelia Clements 1871; papers relating to probate and 2 letters from Rev. F.N. Clements to George Harding of Warrens about his will, dated Dec 1869; 24 items.

  1870 71
- Ms 33,846 (5) 'Retransfer' to Amelia Clements of a mortgage of £5,000 on the lands of Glencull and Plaister, Co. Tyrone, by her marriage settlement trustees and her release to the trustees, includes draft copies; 9 items.

  1870-71
- Ms 33,846 (6) Letters from Charles S. Clements, executor of the will of Rev F.N. Clements; John Madden; Henry Falls; Amelia Clements; W.R. Malcolm, Board of Trade relating to the will and Amelia Clements' retransfer and release; 38 pp. 1870-71
- Ms 33,846 (7) Letters from the marriage settlement trustees and Coutts and Co relating to the repayment and reinvestment of a loan of £5,000 to the Tees Conservancy Commissioners. Includes a letter from Dr. G. Ernest Lyndon, Bracklon, Granard, Co Longford, who married Lady Selina Clements in 1892, regarding her entitlement to part of £10,000; 15 pp. 1879 –80, 1892

#### V.ii. Amelia Clements 1870-1912 (Ms 33,847)

Bundle (1-3) of papers relating to the distribution of the £10,000 after Amelia Clements' death in 1911; c. 70 items.

Ms 33,847 (1) Draft marriage settlement of Rev F.N. Clements and Amelia Verner; 1 item.
5 Jan 1870

#### (V.ii. Amelia Clements 1870-1912)

Ms 33,847 (2) Copy legal and financial papers relating to the £10,000, including R.B. Clements assignment of his reversionary interest in £2,500 1873; the final account of the personal representatives of Rev F.N. Clements and their acknowledgements of the receipt of their share of the funds 1912; c. 30 items. 1873, 1892, 1911-2

Ms 33,847 (3) Correspondence between Warrens and family members; their legal representatives; Farrer and Co, solicitors to the marriage settlement trustees; Coutts and Co and the Estate Duty office; 43 pp. 1911 – 12

# V.iii. Lady Emily Harper 1908-39 (Ms 33,848)

Bundle (1-4) of copy legal and financial papers and letters relating to the death of Lady Emily Harper, 3<sup>rd</sup> daughter of Rev Francis N. Clements. Lady Emily Elizabeth Clements marriage settlement with Henry Andrew Harper was dated 27 June 1873; he died 3 Nov 1900. Lady Emily's contribution to her marriage settlement was £4,500 and her entitlement to a share of £1,500 out of a sum of £10,000 left to her stepmother Lady Amelia Clements for life. Lady Emily died on 1 May 1918 and the trustees to her marriage settlement at that time were John Graham, Macfie and Sons, sugar refiners, 34 Moorfields, Liverpool and Boswell Secundus Donaldson, 2 Holbein Studios, 52 Redcliffe Rd, South Kensington, Middlesex. The papers relate to the sale of her stocks and shares and the final distribution of her marriage settlement trust estate in Aug 1919. The beneficaries were her 4 children Francis Clements Harper, Elizabeth M. Harper, Mrs Evelyn E. Handcock and Mrs Nina C. Marsh.; c. 130 items.

- Ms 33,848 (1) Copy legal and financial papers including appointment of new trustees 1908; trustees' statements and bank pass book; 9 items. 1908, 1918-9
- Ms 33,848 (2) Papers relating to the sale of stocks and shares and to the payment of estate duty; c. 40 items. 1918-9
- Ms 33,848 Letters to Warrens from Young, Jackson, Beard and King, solicitors to the trustees; Coutts and Co; John Graham and others. Includes 3 letters dated July 1939 relating to the death of one of Lady Emily's children, Mrs. Nina Charlotte Marsh; c. 90 sheets.

  Aug 1918-Apr 1919

  May-July 1919, July 1939

# VI. Sydney, 3rd Earl's Will 1875 (Mss 33,849-52)

The Leitrim Estate Acts of 1879 and 1880 were the result of a compromise reached by Robert, 4th Earl and Col Henry Theophilus Clements, in a dispute over the will of Sydney, 3rd Earl, dated 1875. To the surprise of all branches of the Clements family<sup>4</sup>. Sydney, 3rd Earl, left all his estates to his second cousin Col H.T. Clements of Ashfield Lodge, Co. Cavan and not to his nephew Robert, who succeeded him to the Earldom. There was a general perception at the time that perhaps Sydney, 3rd Earl was not 'in his right senses' when making his will [see letter from G.A. Hill in Ms 33,849] He may well have intended changing his will in favour of Robert, 4th Earl but he was murdered in April 1878 before he could put this into effect. Within a year of the murder an amicable solution had been worked out, whereby Robert, 4th Earl would have the Donegal estates and Col H.T. Clements would retain the rest of the estates. To legalize this agreement it was necessary to pass a private act of Parliament in 1879. Another act was necessary the following year 'to make the compromise of last year binding on Mr. Madden and his issue and to include the residence of Manor Vaughan in the Donegal estates taken by Lord Leitrim' [Lord Redesdale's annotations, see Ms 33,850 (7)]. The sons of John Madden [brother in law of Robert 4<sup>th</sup> Earl] had claims on the estates under the will of Sydney, 3rd Earl and their father was very strong in his pursuit of his family's interest. It was agreed that Robert, 4th Earl would compensate the Maddens with £5,000.

A further dispute arose in 1892, between the same parties, over the personal estate of Sydney, 3rd Earl. This was settled in 1893 for £35,000 to be distributed as follows: £5,000 to the Maddens and £30,000 divided into 4 portions for Lady Marie Keppel, Lady Elizabeth V. Clements, the 7 children of Rev F.N. Clements and the 3 children of Lady Caroline Burges. Lady Marie Keppel died without heirs so her portion was redistributed among the remaining heirs. Lady E.V.Clements' portion went to the will trustees of Robert, 4th Earl. S.S. and E. Reeves and Sons were the Irish solicitors representing Robert, 4th Earl.

Viscount Coke and Ynyr H. Burges were appointed trustees of the Leitrim Estates Acts with various powers including the granting of building and mining leases.

The papers listed here have been divided into 4 sections entitled letters from Sydney, 3rd Earl, the Leitrim Estates Acts 1879 and 1880, Sydney, 3rd Earl's personal estate and agreements from the trustees. The first section includes 9 letters 1873-8 written by Sydney, 3rd Earl to Robert Clements [4<sup>th</sup> Earl] and his wife.

most unjust...'. Killadoon Papers Q 3/6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In a letter to his wife Gertrude, dated 11 April 1878, Col H.T. Clements wrote the following '...A will have been found dated July 1875 which will surprise you as much as it has done me. All the property is vested in trustees and is left first to me and my children and failing them to John Madden and his children. Robert is left out altogether which is

### VI.i. Letters from Sydney, 3rd Earl 1873-8 (Mss 33,849)

Ms 33,849

Letters to Robert, 4th Earl and his wife, from his uncle Sydney, 3rd Earl, mainly relating to family and farming matters. On 28 April 1878 these letters were sent to Warrens, by Robert, 4th Earl, to show that he and his uncle had been on friendly terms. Six of these letters were written in 1875, the year Sydney, 3rd Earl made his will. [see Appendix 2 for extracts from these letters.]

Two other letters to Robert, 4th Earl, from Lady Maria Keppel [his aunt] and George A. Hill, relate to the question of insanity with regard to Sydney, 3rd Earl and his will. George A. Hill, Ballyara, Ramelton, Co. Donegal [named as a trusteee in the will of Sydney, 3rd Earl] wrote in his letter of 24 April 1878 '...I am so astonished at what you have told me that I can hardly believe that my poor friend was in his right senses...'. The letter from Lady Maria, dated 5 March 1878, also relates to baptisms and other family history [with regard to Robert, 4th Earl's application to become a Representative Peer, see Ms 33,881 (2)]. On 10 May 1878, Robert, 4th Earl, wrote another letter to Warrens enclosing these 2 letters and concluded his letter as follows '...you need not be under any apprehension as to anything you may say raising my expectations unreasonably'; 13 items.

#### VI.ii. Leitrim Estates Acts 1875-80 (Ms 33,850)

Bundle (1-7) of papers relating to the dispute over the will of Sydney, 3rd Earl, the compromise reached by the parties involved and the enactment of the Leitrim Estates Acts 1879 and 1880; c. 85 items. 1875-8

Ms 33,850 (1) Copy legal papers sent to Warrens by G.M. McGusty on 1 May 1878. Includes: marriage settlement of Nathaniel Clements and Mary Bermingham 24 July 1800; disentailing deeds for Mohill, Manor Hamilton, Sligo, and Killadoon estates 1855 and Beihy estate 1877; will of Sydney, 3rd Earl 1875; extracts from the diaries of Sydney, 3rd Earl 1875-8; 20 items. 1800, 1855, 1875-8

Ms 33,850 (2) Letter to Warrens from Robert, 4th Earl enclosing a copy of a letter to the Earl from Col H.T. Clements and copy of the Earl's reply June 1878. Includes Warrens' notes on signs of insanity in Sydney, 3rd Earl and newspaper cuttings April 1878; 8 items.

Apr-June 1878

#### (VI.ii. Leitrim Estaste Acts 1873-80)

- Ms 33,850 (3) Copy legal papers and other items including: petitions to the House of Lords: legal opinions; valuations of plate and heirlooms; printed reports of cases taken against Sydney, 3rd Earl by tenants [Friel and Stevenson] 1873 and newspaper cuttings; c. 25 items. 1878-9
- Ms 33,850 (4) Drafts of the agreement between Robert, 4th Earl and Col H.T. Clements signed in Feb 1879; draft of Leitrim Estates Act 1879; 2 printed copies of Leitrim Estates Act 1879, 1 copy annotated 'with Lord Redesdale's remarks'; 5 items. 1878-9
- Ms 33,850 (5) Copy legal papers relating to the claims of Clements and Madden minors; legal opinion as to why the Manor Vaughan house and demesne should be excluded from the 1879 Act; case of Robert, 4th Earl for legal opinion; draft letters of Warrens. Includes a case for the opinion of Richard Preston dated 1828 and relating to the marriage settlement of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl and Mary Bermingham; 17 items.

  [1828] 1878-9
- Ms 33,850 (6) 'Articles of agreement for compromise and settlement of estates in the County of Donegal ...', 19 Dec 1879, draft and original, signed by the parties, Robert, 4th Earl, Col H.T. Clements and John Madden; 2 items. 1879
- Ms 33,850 (7) Printed copies of Leitrim Estates Act 1880, 2 copies annotated 'with Lord Redesdale's remarks'; 9 items.
  1880

# VI.iii. Sydney, 3rd Earl's Personal Estate 1892-4 (Ms 33,851)

Bundle (1-6) of letters and some legal papers relating to a case in the High Court of Justice, Ireland, Col H.T. Clements and others versus Robert, 4th Earl and others, regarding the personal estate of Sydney, 3rd Earl 1892. Settled in July 1893 for a sum of £35,000; c. 200 items.

Ms 33,851 (1) Copy legal papers including: affidavit; statement of claim; writ of summons and papers relating to costs and the division of the £35,000. Includes letters to Warrens from Beauchamp and Orr; 17 items. 1892-4

### (VI.ii. Sydney, 3rd Earl's Personal Estate 1892-4)

Ms 33,851 (2) Letters to Robert, 4th Earl and Warrens from S.S. and E. Reeves and Sons, the Irish solicitors representing Robert, 4th Earl and family members; copies of case on behalf of Robert, 4th Earl; 24 items. May 1891, Mar 1892

Ms 33,851 Letters to Warrens from S.S. and E. Reeves and Sons; G.M. McGusty; Thomas Tighe Mecredy and Sons; Beauchamp and Orr; Legacy and Succession Duty Office; the Countess; Ynyr H. Burges; Rev G. Hamilton; Lady Emily Harper; Lord Mostyn and John Madden c. 170 sheets.

Apr- June 1892 July - Dec 1892 Feb - Dec 1893 Jan 1894

### VI.iv. Agreements from Leitrim Estates Acts Trustees 1896-1900 (Ms 33,852)

Agreements with Capt Melville Neale and Walter James Saunderson relating to fishing and mining rights on the Donegal estates; 11 items. 1896-1900

- Ms 33,852 (1) 2 counterparts of an agreement and a lease from the Countess and the trustees to Capt Melville Neale, 20 Victoria Rd, Battersea Park, London to dredge for shell fish and to mine on the Donegal estates. The mining counterpart includes a map and both counterparts have pencil annotations 'forfeited, not acted on'; 2 items. 28 Nov 1896
- Ms 33,852 (2) Agreement between the trustees of the Leitrim Estates Acts and Walter James Saunderson, Coniston Villa, Knighton Lane, Ayleston Park, Leicester, engineer, to mine lead and plumbago in the barony of Kilmacrenan for 1 year. Includes 6 letters relating to the agreement, a duplicate agreement signed by W. Saunderson and a map; 9 items. 1899-1900

# VII. Robert, 4th Earl's Marriage Settlement Trust 1873 (Mss 33,853-61)

Robert Bermingham Clements, lieut R N ,[4<sup>th</sup> Earl of Leitrim] only son of the Hon and Rev Francis N. Clements and his first wife Charlotte King, married Lady Winifred Coke, fifth daughter of Thomas William Coke, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl of Leicester on 2 Sept 1873. The financial arrangements of their marriage settlement, dated 1 Sept 1873 influenced the family finances until the death of Lady Winifred [Dowager Countess of Leitrim] in 1940.

The trustees of the marriage settlement were [Thomas William] Viscount Coke, Lady Winifred's brother and later 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Leicester of Holkham Hall, Norfolk and Ynyr Henry Burges, Parkenaur, Dungannon, Co. Tyrone, a first cousin of R.B. Clements. Ynyr H. Burges died in 1908 and was replaced as trustee in 1912, by Vernon Austen Malcolmson, a partner in the stockbroking firm of J. and A. Scrimgeour.

The money entrusted to Viscount Coke and Y.H.Burges on behalf of R.B. Clements was £4,500. £2,500 of this sum was invested in stocks and funds left to him by his father, but subject to the life interest of his stepmother Amelia Clements. Under the will of his grandfather Nathaniel,  $2^{nd}$  Earl, through his father he was entitled to a legacy of £2,000 charged on the Newtown Gore estate, Co. Leitrim. It is also evident that R.B. Clements was to benefit significantly under the wills of his uncle, Charles Skeffington Clements and his aunt, Lady Elizabeth Victoire Clements, who were both unmarried. Lady Winifred brought a dowry of £12,000. The marriage settlement states that the trustees were to invest the funds in public or government stocks and shares in the British Empire for the benefit of the various trusts. Most of the funds were invested in railway stocks and shares.

C. S. Clements died on 29 Sept 1877 and Lady E. V. Clements died on 28 Jan 1892 leaving all her property to Robert, 4th Earl. The nett value of the estates of C. S. Clements and Lady Elizabeth V.Clements were £68,786 and £44,028.

2 deeds of appointment made by Robert, 4th Earl, dated 20 Dec 1879 and 9 Feb 1892 affected the marriage settlement trust. By the later deed a younger son on attaining the age of 21 years was entitled to the benefit of £20,000 in trust funds and a daughter to £10,000 at the time of marriage or at the age of 21 years, subject to the life interests of their parents.

The papers of the Trust have been divided into 5 sections, 2 of these are further divided into different classes of papers. The 5 sections refer to the administration of the Trust investments, the family home 40 Portman Sq, London and to the entitlement of 3 of the children of Robert, 4th Earl to the benefit of trust funds.

# VII.i. Administration of the Trust Funds 1873-1946 (Mss 33,853-6)

This section contains the papers relating to the administration of the Trust funds by Warrens and the trustees. It is mainly composed of accounts and correspondence relating to investments and income tax but it also contains a subsection of deeds and legal papers, which includes the original conveyance of the Newtown Gore estate to Robert C. Clements 1812. The Trust ended after the death of the Dowager Countess in 1940 and its financial arrangements were finally concluded in 1944; c. 1,100 items.

# VII.i.1. Deeds and Other Legal Papers (Ms 33,853)

This subsection contains legal documents, many of which were influential in the setting up of the Trust; 196 items. 1812, 1838, 1873-1932

- Ms 33,853 (1) Original conveyance by Henry John Clements, Ashfield Lodge, Co Cavan and John Clements, Upper Grosvenor St, Middlesex to Robert Clotworthy Clements of part of the Woodford [Newtown Gore] estate 'the whole of the estate formerly in the possession of William Gore'. The price was £34,500 and included a mortgage of £6,500 held on the estate by John Clements; 1 item.
  2 Jan 1812
- Ms 33,853 (2) Legal papers as follows: original marriage settlement of Rev Francis Nathaniel Clements and Charlotte King, dated 1 Dec 1838; a draft of the marriage settlement of 1873; will of Robert, 4th Earl, 20 Dec 1879 and codicil, 3 May 1886; 4 items. 1838, 1873, 1879, 1886
- Ms 33,853 (3) Lease by Richard Benyon, Englefield House, Berkshire, MP to Charles S. Clements of Mortimer House, Berkshire and 41 acres, for 21 years at an annual rent of £210, includes ground plan; 1 item.

  21 March 1873
- Ms 33,853 (4) Copy will and codicil of Charles S. Clements; 1 item. 1874, 1877
- Ms 33,853 (5) Draft of disentailing assurance of the Newtown Gore estate, Robert, 4th Earl to
  Reginald Augustus Warren; 1 item.
  21 Jan 1879

### (VII.i.1. Deeds and Other Legal Papers)

- Ms 33,853 (6) Original document of an appointment and revocation under powers given to Robert, 4th Earl and the Countess under their marriage settlement. The appointment made provision for a sum of £12,000 to be settled on each child on attaining 21 years or at the time of marriage. This provision was revoked [revocation on the back of the document] and a new appointment made whereby each son was to receive £20,000 and each daughter £10,000; 1 item. 1879, 1892
- Ms 33,853 (7) Draft and copy legal and financial papers including: appointment of V.A. Malcolmson as trustee in 1912; Dowager Countess' surrender and release of £200 part of an annuity of £2,000 a year; Charles, 5th Earl's proposal for a loan 1920; estimate of Charles, 5th Earl's income 1932; release by Lady Leitrim of her £1,000 jointure 1932; extract from rulings on title of the Newtown Gore estate 1932, includes correspondence between Warrens and R.H. Beauchamp and Orr, solicitors; 16 items.

  1879, 1892, 1912, 1918, 1920, 1932
- Ms 33,853 (8) Bundle of share certificates of Robert, 4th Earl, including shares he held as executor of Charles S. Clements and 160 shares in the Milford Steam Milling Company. Some of the certificates were endorsed after his death; 171 items.

  1883 4, 1890, 1892

# VII.i.2. Trustees' Accounts (Ms 33,854)

Accounts books, bank pass books and statements showing the accounts of the trustees from the beginning of the Trust until its conclusion after the death of the Dowager Countess; c. 250 items.

1873-1944

Ms 33,854 (1) 1 vol covering the general cash, investment and income accounts, with separate pages for the accounts of the 6 children. There are also pages relating to the Leitrim Estates Act [Donegal ] trustees' accounts and the Donegal surplus income account. This vol contains a very good introduction to the Marriage Settlement Trust and all it's ramifications. Includes: copy letter from B.R. Warren to Dowager Countess relating to the appointment of Mr. Vernon Austen Malcolmson as a trustee, dated 16 Jan 1912. Black vol, 33 x 20 cms; 173 pp. 1873-1910

# (VII.i.2. Trustees Accounts)

Ms 33,854 (2) 1 vol, working copy; the pages correspond to those in (1) but this vol contains an additional 6 pages. Pale vol, black spine, 20 x 32 cms; 179 pp. 1873-1911 Ms 33,854 (3) 8 bank pass books and 1 wallet relating to the income account at Coutts and Co, black, green and maroon booklets, 12 x 18 cms; 9 items. 1912-44 Ms 33,854 (4) 1 black bank pass book and 1 red wallet relating to the capital account at Coutts and Co and a cheque book; 3 items. 1912-26, 1932-42 Ms 33,854 (5) 1 typescript containing accounts dating from the time of Vernon Malcolmson's appointment as a trustee on 8 Feb 1912. Pale blue paper, 22 x 33 cms, includes 2 copies; 3 items. 1912-40 Accounts of £2,000 Irish 4½ % land bonds received by the trustees in Ms 33,854 (6) Aug 1933 in satisfaction of a £2,000 charge held on the Newtown Gore estate and of stocks sold on the London Stock Exchange by Coutts and Co in the early 1940s; 44 items. 1930s, 1941-2 Bundle of half yearly interest dividends on stocks and shares paid to Ms 33,854 (7) Coutts and Co on behalf of the trustees; c. 110 items. 1937-42 Ms 33,854 (8) Trustees' statement, 8 copies, this statement gives an overall view of the workings of the Trust from 1873-1942. 1 statement of Trust investments at the time of Dowager Countess' death in 1940; 9 items. 1942 Bundle (9-10) of papers containing the following: Ms 33,854 (9) Inland revenue succession duty forms and various accounts culminating in the trustees final cash account 1944. c. 60 items 1940-4 Ms 33,854 (10) Copies of the trustees' final cash account, 5 copies signed by the

beneficaries; 9 items.

1944

# **VII.i.3.** Mortgages (Ms 33,855)

2 bundles of papers relating to mortgages held by the trustees on 69 and 70 Audley St, Grosvenor Sq, London and 65 and 67 London Rd, Sevenoaks, Kent; c. 72 items. 1897-1923

Bundle (1-3) of draft legal papers and correspondence relating to a mortgage on 69 and 70 Audley St, securing a loan of £12,000 to Robert Turrill, coach builder, by the trustees for building purposes in 1900; c. 65 items.

1897-1923

- Ms 33,855 (1) Legal papers including a building contract with the Duke of Westminster 1897 and the surrender of the mortgage in 1923 [see Ms 33,856 (5) Robert Turrill died in 1917]; 8 items. 1899, 1900, 1912, 1923
- Ms 33,855 Letters to Warrens from the trustees; Coutts and Co; Robert Turrill and John Turrill, Alder and Turrill, architects and surveyors, Effingham House, Arundel St, Strand, London relating to the mortgage. There are brief references to a mortgage of £5,300 on 65 Audley St [see Ms 33,864 (5)]; c. 60 sheets.

  1897-1900,
  1907, 1910, 1914, 1922-3
- Ms 33,855 (4) Bundle of legal papers, original and draft, relating to a mortgage on 65 and 67 London Rd, securing a loan of £3,500 to Francis Holley Brigden, London Rd, corn dealer, in 1906. Includes a sale notice of freehold business premises 1907. In 1923 the property was sold by the trustees to Horace Usher, 65 London Road, ironmonger; 7 items. 1904, 1907, 1923

# VII.i.4. Correspondence and Associated Papers (Ms 33,856)

Correspondence and associated papers mainly relating to investments, income tax and estate duty. The main correspondents were Warrens and Coutts and Co; J. and A. Scrimgeour; the trustees; Charles, 5th Earl; Lord Rayleigh; Dix Lewis, Caesar and Co, accountants to Lord Rayleigh; Stewart Blacker Quin, Knox and Co; Bury and Walkers; Richard Preston Graham Vivian; Commander and Lady Kathleen Studd; C.F. Roundell; Inland Revenue and the Estate Duty Office; c. 360 items. 1920-46.

#### **Leitrim Papers**

### (VII.i.4. Correspondence and Associated Papers)

Bundle (1-4) of papers relating to the following:

- Ms 33,856 (1) Marriage settlement of Lady Maude Vivian [see Ms 33,859] and sale of the Newtown Gore estate [see Ms 33,869]. Includes: 2 receipts for Warrens' professional charges; draft copy of the marriage settlement 1 Sept 1873 and Dowager Countess' birth certificate; 19 items. 1920-36
- Ms 33,856 (2) Investments, in particular the sale of War Loan stock; 50 sheets. 1932-3
- Ms 33,856 (3) Investments, in particular the sale of Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway ordinary stock; c. 45 sheets. 1933-6
- Ms 33,856 (4) Investments, Lord Rayleigh and the capital account; 19 sheets. 1934-5, 1940

Bundle (5-7) of papers relating to the following:

- Ms 33,856 (5) Investments in stocks and shares and the surrender of the Turrill mortgage [see 33,8555 (1)]; c. 40 items. 1923
- Ms 33,856 (6) Investments in stocks and shares; c. 30 items. 1926-7
- Ms 33,856 (7) Division of income, includes statements of income 1924-8; c. 50 items.
  1927-39
- Ms 33,856 (8) Correspondence relating to income tax; c. 35 sheets. 1925-30, 1935-9
- Ms 33,856 (9) Correspondence and other papers relating to income tax liability and the winding up of the Trust. Includes rough notes and drafts of a statement detailing all the Trust investments at the time of Dowager Countess' death in Mar 1940; trustees' final statement; family trees and death certificates of 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Leicester 1941; c. 55 items. 1935-42
- Ms 33,856 (10) Inland revenue and estate duty forms relating to the death of Dowager Countess, bills for Warrens' professional charges and notes on an interview between Mr J.D. Kerr [of Warrens] and Charles, 5th Earl in Belfast on 15 May 1940; 10 items.

  1940-1

### (VII.i.4. Correspondence and Associated Papers)

Ms 33,856 Bundle of correspondence relating to sale of stocks and shares, winding up of the Trust and distribution of the proceeds, which was considerably delayed by the demands of the Revenue Office for the payment of duty; c. 300 sheets.

Apr 1940-Mar 1941 May 1941-May 1942 June 1942-Sept 1943 Oct 1943-July 1946

# **VII.ii.** Portman Square 1881 (Ms 333,857)

Bundle of original and draft legal papers and some correspondence relating to the purchase of the underlease of 40 Portman Sq, London by Robert, 4th Earl. By a deed of settlement, dated 1877, Charles S. Clements gave a sum of £6,201.15s.10d to Viscount Coke and Ynyr H. Burges in trust for the benefit of Robert B. Clements, to buy a house in the county of Middlesex and to obtain money for farming purposes. This money was invested in 1877, and in June 1881 realized £6,300, which was used to purchase the lease of 40 Portman Sq. Lease renewed by William Henry Berkeley, Viscount Portman to Countess in 1893, she assigned her interest to Charles, 5th Earl in 1907 [see Ms 33,865 (2)]; 31 items.

- Ms 33,857 (1) Deed of settlement; 1 item. 5 July 1877
- Ms 33,857 (2) Deed of sale of the underlease of 40 Portman Sq sold by Lady Elizabeth V. Clements for £6,300, to Viscount Coke and Ynyr H. Burges, for 11 years, at an annual rent of £35.17s 6d: 1 item. 7 June 1881
- Ms 33,857 (3) Legal papers and some correspondence relating to the sale of shares, purchase of the underlease and a draft bond enabling Robert, 4th Earl to borrow £1,500 from the trustees for farming purposes in Co. Donegal. Includes letters to Warrens from Charles S. Clements in 1877 and 1 letter dated 20 Aug 1880, from Robert, 4th Earl in Co. Donegal, in which he writes '...The harvest prospects are very good indeed but the potatoes have suffered lately ...'; 29 items. 1877, 1880-1

### VII.iii. Renshaw Marriage Settlement 1899 (Ms 33,858)

Papers relating to the marriage settlement, dated 19 Jan 1899, of Arthur Henry Renshaw of Woodend, Houston, Renfrewshire, Scotland and Lady Winifred Edith Clements, 40 Portman Sq, London, eldest daughter of Robert, 4th Earl. A sum of £26,000 was settled by Arthur Renshaw and £10,000 by Lady Winifred. She was entitled to this sum under the terms of The Marriage Settlement Trust. Lady Winifred died 24 Jan 1966. [see Ms 33,886]; c. 45 items.

- Ms 33,858 (1) Draft legal papers; 8 items. 1898-9
- Ms 33,858 (2) Letters to Warrens from Renshaw, Kakewich and Smith, [Arthur Renshaw's solicitors]; Dowager Countess; Arthur Renshaw and Sir Charles Stewart. Includes 1 letter from Lee and Pembertons, 44 Lincoln Inn Fields, London, solicitors [for Sir Charles Stewart?] dated 1930; c. 35 sheets.

  1898-9, 1930
- Ms 33,858 (3) 3 letters relating to the appointment of new trustees; 3 sheets. 1947

# VII.iv. Vivian and Roundell Marriage Settlements 1899 & 1910 (Ms 33,859)

Papers relating to the marriage settlement of [Major] Henry Wyndham Vivian of Glanafon, Port Talbot, Glamorganshire, Wales and Lady Maude Clements of 40 Portman Sq, London, third daughter of Robert, 4th Earl, dated 18 Jan 1899. £12,000 was settled by Henry Vivian and £10,000 by Lady Maude. She was entitled to this sum under the terms of the Trust. Henry Vivian died 17 Nov 1901. Lady Maude married secondly Christopher Foulis Roundell,[Coldstream Guards, MP for Grantham, CBE, barrister at law], 61 Pall Mall, London on 15 Sept 1910. C.F. Roundell settled £8,000 and £5,880 worth of investments. Lady Maude made no settlement. Lady Maude had one child from her first marriage and at least 4 children from her second marriage [see Dowager Countess' will in Ms 33,867 (4)]. She died on 19 Jan 1932; c. 190 items.

Bundle (1-4) of papers relating to the Vivian marriage settlement and to the duties on Lady Maude's £10,000 after her death [see also Ms 33,856 (1)].

Ms 33,859 (1) Draft legal papers including marriage settlement, epitome, notice of assignment, extract from a deed of partnership involving members of the Vivian family; 14 items.

1898-9

# (VII.iv. Vivian and Roundell Marriage Settlements 1899 & 1910)

- Ms 33,859 (2) Letters to Warrens from Charles, 5th Earl; Colthurst, Van Sommer and others, solicitors for Henry Vivian; Sir Charles Stewart; Dowager Countess and Arthur P. Vivian; c. 40 sheets.

  1898-9
- Ms 33,859 (3) Letters to Warrens mainly from Van Sommer and Elers, but also from Arthur Renshaw; The Secretary of The Estate Duty Office and Lady Maude Vivian relating to the death of H. Vivian and financial affairs; c. 45 sheets.

  1902-4
- Ms 33,859 (4) Correspondence between Warrens and Charles, 5th Earl; R. P. Graham Vivian; A. Scrimgeour; Shaen, Roscoe, Massey and Co; Van Sommer, Chillcott and Kitkat; Christopher Foulis Roundell; Inland Revenue; V.A. Malcolmson; 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Leicester relating to the payment of estate and succession duties on Lady Maude's £10,000 after her death in 1932. Includes 3 letters from Sir Mervyn M. Buller, trustee and Coutts and Co written in 1920s and 2 letters dated 1941; c. 60 sheets.
- Ms 33,859 (5) 2 legal documents relating to a lease of 48 Seymour St, Marylebone, London, which was assigned to Lady Maude Vivian by William J.F. Blin; 2 items. 1904

Bundle (6-7) of papers relating to the Roundell marriage settlement.

- Ms 33,859 (6) Draft legal documents including marriage settlement; epitome; nomination of banking company; schedule of deeds; instructions to counsel and a copy of the marriage settlement of Charles Savile Roundell and Julia Anne Elizabeth Tollemache, dated 9 May 1873; c. 15 items.
- Ms 33,859 (7) Correspondence between Warrens and Shaen, Roscoe and Massey, solicitors [for C.F. Roundell] and the trustees; c. 40 sheets. 1910-11

# VII.v. The Hon Francis Patrick Clements' Estate 1907-26 (Mss 33,860-1))

A large bundle of papers regarding the disappearance, presumed death and the disposal of the estate of Francis Patrick [Paddy] Clements, younger brother of Charles, 5th Earl. Francis P. Clements was born in 1885, served in the Royal Navy from 1898 until 1906, when he developed tuberculosis. He recovered but suffered a relapse in the spring of 1907. He was apparently depressed and suicidal at this time and may have been influenced by Christian Scientist teaching. He disappeared in London on the night of 20 May 1907 and despite extensive searches in England and America was never heard of again. In 1917 the family sought legal measures to prove his death, so that his estate [he was entitled to the benefit of £20,000 in Trust funds] could be divided, a third share to go to Charles, 5th Earl and a sixth share to each of his 4 sisters. The beneficiaries agreed to take only the interest of their share of the estate until May 1922 [15 years after the date of F.P. Clements' disappearance] but by the spring of 1921 and with the consent of the Dowager Countess, they changed their minds and agreed to divide the capital. Some took their benefit in shares, others took it in cash; c. 180 items.

# VII.v.1. Legal and Financial Papers (Ms 33,860)

Papers relating to the estate of F.P. Clements and to a motion to prove his death: 63 items.

1916-25

- Ms 33,860 (1) Draft legal papers including affidavits; notice of motion; instructions to counsel [Mr. R.F. Bayford] to advise, all relating to a motion in the High Court of Justice probate division to prove that F.P. Clements was dead; 22 items.

  1916-7
- Ms 33,860 (2) Financial and legal papers including a statement of funds and securities under the charge of Coutts and Co; Inland Revenue forms for estate duty; declaration of the estate of intestate; justification of sureties and the oath for administrators; 17 items.

  1917
- Ms 33,860 (3) Financial and legal papers including: 3 copies of the administrator's statement and accounts, dated 31 Oct 1917; assignment of revisionary interests; a statement of agreement among the beneficiaries to hold the property until May 1922; a bank pass book of F.P. Clements in account with Coutts; 11 items
- Ms 33,860 (4) Items relating to financial matters, including a bank pass book of Charles, 5th Earl and Robert J. Strutt [later Lord Rayleigh] in account with Coutts and Co; 13 items.

  1917-25

# VII.v.2. Correspondence (Ms 33,861)

Family letters written at the time of F.P. Clements' disappearance and letters to Warrens relating to the sale of some of F.P. Clements' in- vestments and the agreement to divide his estate in 1921; c. 110 items. 1907-26

- Ms 33,861 (1) 5 letters to Charles, 5th Earl from his mother and sisters, Lady Hilda Strutt and Lady Maud Roundell, Eggesford House, North Devon and 1 copy reply letter from the Earl to his mother; 6 items.

  May June 1907
- Ms 33,861 Letters to Warrens from: Charles, 5th Earl; other family members;
  - Coutts and Co relating to the family agreement to apply for a motion to presume F.P. Clements to be dead and to sell some of his railway stock to pay the interest due; c. 70 sheets.

    Oct Nov 1916

    Mar Oct 1917
- Ms 33,861 (4) Letters to Warrens from: Rose, Van Cutsem and Co, [stockbrokers]; Linklaters and Paines, relating to the sale of 100 Casey Cobalt mining shares and to the death of Lady Hilda Strutt; c. 20 sheets. 1919-20
- Ms 33,861 (5) Letters to Warrens from: Coutts and Co; family members relating to the family agreement to divide the estate in Feb/Mar 1921; income tax and Lady Kathleen Studd's half yearly payment; c. 30 sheets. 1921, 1925-6

#### VIII. Robert, 4th Earl's Will Trust 1892 (Ms 33,862-8)

The will of Robert, 4th Earl, dated 11 Feb 1892 [see 33,865 (2)], begins with his wish to be buried at Carrickart in Co. Donegal, a break with tradition, as formerly the Earls of Leitrim had been buried in St. Michans, Dublin.

By his will he left his real estate, including Newtown Gore to the use of his wife for her life and afterwards to his sons in tail male, or to his daughters in equal shares. He appointed Charles J. Stewart, 10 Eaton Terrace, London and his brother in law, Lloyd Neville Vaughan, Lord Mostyn of Mostyn Hall, Flintshire, trustees of his will.

All his personal goods he left to his wife absolutely, except his pictures, prints, jewels, plate, books and manuscripts. The Countess was left some specified plate [£300 worth, see Ms 33,866 (3)] and she was to be paid £2,000 within a month of his death. He entrusted all his pictures, prints, jewels, books, and manuscripts in England to the trustees, the Countess was to have a life interest in the pictures, prints and jewels. After her death these items were to pass to the person ['his issue'] who inherited Newtown Gore and the books and manuscripts were to go to the person who inherited the Donegal estate. All his personal goods at Mulroy, Co. Donegal, were to go to the heir of that estate, the trustees to take responsibility during a minority. His heir had to pay an annuity to the Carrickart parsonage.

The rest of his personal estate was left to the trustees to sell and invest in public stocks or government funds or to buy a house at the request of the Countess. Income from these investments was left to the Countess for life and afterwards to the heir of Newtown Gore. He expressly authorized the trustees to retain the leasehold on 40 Portman Sq for the Countess to use as long as she desired.

The Countess had power to appoint new trustees and he left various small legacies to his sisters, nephews and some of his staff.

The will also refers to a deed of settlement, dated 5 July 1877. He changed a clause in this deed so that the benefit of the trust [£6,201 used to purchase Portman Sq] was left to his wife absolutely [see Ms 33,857].

The Countess, Charles Stewart and Lord Mostyn were appointed executors and the Countess sole guardian of the children. R.O. Warren was one of the witnesses.

The Will Trust papers have been divided into 3 subgroups entitled, the administration of the Trust funds, heirlooms and the Newtown Gore estate. They cover the general administration of the Trust funds, a family dispute over some jewelry and the piecemeal sale of much of the Newtown Gore estate.

#### VIII.i. Administration of the Trust Funds 1892-1951 (Ms 33,862-5)

In the months following the death of Robert, 4th Earl, the Countess was involved in proving his will and obtaining administration of Lady Elizabeth V. Clements' estate. Most of the papers in this subgroup however concern the administration of the Trust funds by the trustees and Warrens. One book of the trustees and executors accounts 1892-1910 gives some details of expences on the Donegal estates, prior to the death of Robert, 4th Earl. Lord Mostyn died in 1929 and was replaced as trustee by Christopher F. Roundell and Commander Ronald G. Studd, both brothers in law of Charles, 5th Earl. The other original trustee Sir Charles Steward died in 1932. Like the Marriage Settlement Trust, the Will Trust also came to an end in 1940. The Trust investments were sold and the proceeds helped to reduce Charles, 5th Earl's mortgage with the Equitable Life Assurance Society; c. 1,100 items.

# VIII.i.1. Probate Papers (Ms 33,862)

Bundle (1-3) of legal and financial papers and some correspondence relating to probate of the will of Robert, 4th Earl and administration of the will of Lady Elizabeth V. Clements and 1 bundle (4) of Inland Revenue items; c. 75 items. 1868-93

- Ms 33,862 (1) Papers relating to Lady E.V. Clements including: copies of her wills dated 12 May 1868 and 13 July 1882; letters written by her to Warrens 1882, receipts from her servants for their legacies received in Nov 1892; revenue and probate forms; 18 items. 1868, 1882, 1892
- Ms 33,862 (2) Papers relating to Robert, 4th Earl including grants of power of attorney to Charles Stewart and others from the Countess and Lord Mostyn; lists of Robert, 4th Earl's debts and probate forms; 14 items. 1892-3,
- Ms 33,862 (3) Letters to Warrens from Robert, 4th Earl; Lord Mostyn; Coutts and Co relating to the death of Lady E.V. Clements; Turrill mortgage; stocks and shares; 9 sheets.

  1892-3
- Ms 33,862 (4) Bundle of Inland Revenue official forms and associated papers; c. 37 items.
  1892

#### **VIII.i.2.** Accounts (Ms 33,863)

Ms 33,863

1 vol of accounts of the executors and trustees, which contains a summary of Robert, 4th Earl's will in the front pages. This vol gives detailed accounts of the general cash, income and investment accounts and of the Donegal Trust account 1898-1902, which includes a reference to the sale of the steamship 'Rossgull' for £3,236.10s.0d. in May 1898. General cash account lists the debts due at the time of Robert, 4th Earl's death, these include debts due on the Donegal estates and family expenses. An expense of £25.5s. is recorded for the conveying of the Earl's body back to Ireland [for burial]; black vol, 21x 33 cms, 97 pp. 1892-1910

### VIII.i.3. Correspondence and Associated Papers (Ms 33,864)

Correspondence relating to investments; a mortgage held by the trustees on 65 South Audley St, London; sales of furniture and books at Mulroy; accounts of executors and trustees, deaths of 2 trustees and appointment of new trustees, 1929; c.600 items,1909-37.

Ms 33,864 Bundle of correspondence between Warrens and Bury and Walkers; (1-4) Coutts and Co; Sir C. Stewart; Lord Mostyn; Dowager Countess and Charles, 5th Earl relating to the buying and selling of shares, some letters refer to the marriage settlement trust; 90 sheets.

1909, Mar – Apr 1910 Aug – Sept 1910 Oct – Nov 1910 Dec 1910 – Jan 1911

Bundle (5-9) of letters to Warrens, with occasional copies of Warrens' replies.

- Ms 33,864 (5) Letters from John Turrill, Alder and Turrill, architects and surveyors, Effingham House, Arundel St, Strand, London relating to mortgage interest on 65 South Audley St, London [see also Ms 33,855 (2-3) & Ms 33,874 (2)]; c. 40 sheets.

  1916-26
- Ms 33,864 (6) Letters from Bury and Walkers; Dowager Countess; Coutts and Corelating to Dowager Countess super tax and to investments; c. 35 sheets
  1917-22
- Ms 33,864 (7) Papers relating to stocks and shares, including letters from Charles, 5th Earl; Dowager Countess; Lord Mostyn; Coutts and Co; J. and A. Scrimgreour; Rowe and Pitman; c. 40 items. 1926, 1931
- Ms 33,864 (8) Letters from Charles, 5th Earl; Lord Mostyn and others relating to sale of furniture and books at Mulroy House, Carrickart, Co. Donegal in 1927 by Battersby and Co, auctioneers and valuers, 39 Westmoreland St, Dublin. Includes: a catalogue of the books for sale [865 lots] and lists of Trust jewels, pictures and prints; c. 20 items. June 1927
- Ms 33,864 (9) Letters from companies in which the Trust held shares relating to death of Lord Mostyn and the transfer of investments to new trustees Christopher Foulis Roundell and Commander Ronald Granville Studd. Includes a list detailing Warrens' work in connection with appointment of new trustees; c. 50 items. 1929-30

### (VIII.i.3. Correspondence and Associated Papers)

Bundle (10-15) of papers including accounts, receipts and correspondence between Warrens and Bury and Walkers; Coutts and Co; Beauchamp and Orr; the trustees; family members. The papers relate to the following:

Ms 33,864 (10) Trust accounts, including: 2 bank pass books of the executors 1903-21 and of the trustees 1920-2, 1929; account of the executors and trustees commencing 1911; a list of securites held by Coutts 1929; 7 items. 1929

Ms 33,864 Dowager Countess' desire to appoint her 2 sons in law as new trustees, following the death of Lord Mostyn; c. 110 sheets.

June – Nov 1929

Dec 1929- Mar 1930

Ms 33,864 Stocks and shares in the following: Investment Trust Corporation; 4½% Irish Land Bonds [Newtown Gore estate]; London, Midland and Scottish Railway and the Rand Water Board; c. 130 sheets. 1929-33 1935-6

Ms 33,864 (15) Registration of the death of Sir Charles J. Stewart, trustee [died 4 Sept 1932] with the various companies in which the trustees held shares; c. 60 sheets.

Oct 1932-Feb 1933

Ms 33,864 (16) Bills, receipts and correspondence relating to professional services provided by Warrens and Bury and Walkers; c. 30 sheets. 1930-1, 1934, 1937

Ms 33,864 (17) Letters relating to: Charles, 5th Earl's proposed purchase of a villa in Cannes, France; sale of Court Lodge Farm; a loan from the White family; includes some miscellaneous items; 16 sheets. 1930-3, 1936-7

# VIII.i.4. Last Years of the Trust (Ms 33,865)

Bundle (1-7) of papers containing a wide variety of items, relating to the effect of the death of the Dowager Countess [22 March 1940] on the Will Trust, which was wound up in Dec 1943. The main correspondents were Warrens and Bury and Walkers, Coutts and Co, Rowe and Pitman, Estate Duty Office, Charles, 5th Earl and the trustees; c. 440 items, 1936-51.

### (VIII.i.4. Last Years of the Trust)

- Ms 33,865 (1) Correspondence relating to: proposal by Charles, 5th Earl to purchase a farm [Tirloughan] adjoining Rosapenna [see Ms 33,877]; Newtown Gore estate; repayment of £100 4 ½% land bonds to the trustees; c. 30 sheets.

  1936-8
- Ms 33,865 (2) Variety of papers, including copy will of Robert, 4th Earl 1892; declaration of trust as to the lease of 40 Portman Sq 1893 and 1907 [see Ms 33,857]; an account of the trustees and executors commencing 1911; receipt for Warrens' professional charges; Warrens' notes on Leitrim jewels and Dowager Countess death certificate; 21 items. 1937-40
- Ms 33,865 (3) Accounts, letters, lists, rough notes relating to investments; c. 50 items. 1940-41
- Ms 33,865 (4) Interest dividends; receipts for sale of investments from Rowe and Pitman; details of the trustees account with Coutts and Co from 1930 to its closure in Aug 1942; c. 75 sheets.
- Ms 33,865 Correspondence relating to the desire of Charles, 5th Earl to sell many of the Trust's investments to help pay off his mortgage with Equitable Life Assurance Society. One of the trustees, Commander Studd, was not very co operative but the investments were eventually sold. Includes letter to Christies concerning the sale of a Sir Thomas Lawrence picture of [Mary] Countess of Leitrim and child [Nov 1940, see also Ms 33,868 and Ms 33,869 (10)]; c. 310 sheets.

  Mar Dec 1940

  Jan Dec 1941

Jan 1942 - Apr 1944, Dec 1950 - Jan 1951

# VIII.ii. Heirlooms 1892-1942 (Ms 33,866-8)

In his will Robert, 4th Earl gave his wife a life interest in various heirlooms. On her death they were to go to the person who inherited the Newtown Gore estate. The first subsection contains inventories relating to these heirlooms, some of which were compiled for probate purposes in 1892 [see Ms 33,862].

The second subsection contains papers relating to a family dispute over 4 items of jewelry. In her will dated 3 March 1938, the Dowager Countess gave certain jewels to her daughters Lady Winifred Renshaw and Lady Kathleen Studd. After the death of the Dowager Countess in March 1940, her executors [Commander and Lady Kathleen Studd]

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applied to Charles, 5th Earl for the jewels but he challenged his mother's right to dispose of the jewels, as he maintained they were heirlooms. Lady Leitrim became involved as she had been given some of the jewels in 1903 and 1909. The dispute was settled by the arbitration of Ronald Francis Roxburgh, 4 New Sq, Lincoln's Inn, London on 5 May 1942, when he found that 2 pieces of jewelry were part of the Dowager Countess' estate and 2 pieces belonged to Charles, 5th Earl. It is also evident that there was some disagreement in 1927 between Charles, 5th Earl and his mother over jewels, he had separated from Lady Leitrim in 1926. In this dispute Bury and Walkers represented the executors of the will of the Dowager Countess and J.D. Kerr, a partner in Warrens, acted for Charles, 5th Earl. J.D. Kerr was a captain in the Irish Guards and was located in different parts of England in the early 1940s. [C.]W. Hollis in the office of Warrens corresponded with him regarding the dispute.

The third subsection relates to the sale of a painting by Sir Thomas Lawrence; c. 400 items.

# VIII.ii.1. Inventories and Associated Correspondence (Ms 33,866)

Inventories of pictures, plate, jewels and books in London and Mulroy, Co. Donegal with associated correspondence; 33 items. 1892-1921

- Ms 33,866 (1) Bundle of extracts from inventories of pictures, plate, jewels, books and other chattels at 40 Portman Sq, London and Mulroy, Co. Donegal; includes 10 letters to Warrens, dated Oct/Nov 1902, from Dowager Countess and from the trustees; 18 items. 1892, 1902
- Ms 33,866 (2) Navy blue vol containing a list of Trust jewels, pictures and prints, in which the Dowager Countess had a life interest; size 25 x 20 cms, 5 pp. Dec 1902
- Ms 33,866 (3) Variety of items including: a list of £300 worth of silver selected by the Countess in 1899 [see Will Trust page 45]; draft settlement and related correspondence concerning heirlooms to accompany Newtown Gore estate after the Countess' death [includes a reference to a small round silver box 'the gift of merchants of Dublin to Nathaniel Clements esq with Freedom of Corporation 1755'] 1902; list of plate at Coutts and Co in 1907; 12 items.

  1899, 1902, 1907, 1909
- Ms 33,866 (4) 2 booklets containing: a schedule of books at 40 Portman Sq, London and a valuation of furniture and other items at Mulroy House, Co. Donegal; 2 items.

  [1892], 1921

### VIII.ii.2. Dispute over Jewels (Ms 33,867)

Papers relating to the family dispute over 4 items of jewelry after the death of Dowager Countess, including wills of Dowager Countess and Charles, 5th Earl and correspondence relating to the dispute [ see also Ms 33,865 (2); c. 340 items. 1892-1942

- Ms 33,867 (1) Draft wills, codicils and letters from the Countess to Warrens concerning her will; c. 50 items. 1892, 1899-1905
- Ms 33,867 (2) Draft wills of Charles, 5th Earl [see Ms 33,884]; 8 items. 1909, 1910, 1912, 1915, 1918
- Ms 33,867 (3) Letters to Warrens from Charles, 5th Earl relating to his will 1911; copy letters to Dowager Countess from Charles, 5th Earl 1927; letters to Charles, 5th Earl from Warrens and Coutts and Co 1927. Includes original letters written by the Dowager Countess in 1909; 33 items. 1909, 1911, 1913, 1927
- Ms 33,867 (4) Copy legal papers as follows: will of Dowager Countess 1938; codicil to will Charles, 5th Earl 1939; will of Charles, 5th Earl [1940]; case for the executors of the Dowager Countess and 3 copies of Ronald Francis Roxburgh's arbitration award; 7 items.

  1938-42
- Ms 33,867 Correspondence between Warrens and Charles, 5th Earl; Bury and (5-6) Walkers; Field and Roscoe; Ronald F. Roxburgh; c. 180 pp. Apr 1940-Sept 1941
  Oct 1941-June 1942
- Ms 33,867 (7) Correspondence between J.D. Kerr, G.W. Gotto and [C.]W. Hollis of Warrens and also letters to them from Charles, 5th Earl; Lady Leitrim and her doctor Desmond McManus, 53 Chester Sq, London. Letters to Charles, 5th Earl from Lady Leitrim; Commander Studd and Lady Kathleen Studd; c. 40 sheets.

  1940-2
- Ms 33,867 (8) Typescript copies of correspondence and documents associated with the case, including 'The case for Lord Leitrim'; 15 items.

  1941
- Ms 33,867 (9) Rough notes of J.D. Kerr of Warrens relating to the case; c. 25 pp. 1941

### **VIII.ii.3. Painting (Ms 33,868)**

Ms 33,868

Correspondence between Warrens and Charles, 5th Earl, relating to the possibility of selling a painting [of Mary, Countess of Leitrim] by Sir Thomas Lawrence, one of the Leitrim heirlooms [see also Ms 33,865 (5) & Ms 33,869 (10)]; 20 sheets. 1939-40

# VIII.iii. Newtown Gore Estate 1926-48 (Ms 33,869)

In 1926 the Dowager Countess gave her life interest in this estate to her son, Charles, 5th Earl, as a gift. Warrens drew up a draft deed for this transaction which the Dowager Countess signed. Two years later, when the question of income tax arose, this gift memorandum was declared invalid but regularized when the Dowager Countess signed a confirmatory surrender in March 1929.

To sell the estate under the Land Act of 1923, title had to be established. Warrens and Beauchamp and Orr, who were the Irish solicitors representing the estate, managed to do this between them by 1930. In Feb 1933 the Land Commission Examiner of Titles ruled on the title and the estate was sold to the Land Commission for £16,081 to be paid in 4½% Irish land bonds. Outstanding charges on the estate had to be paid. These included rent arrears due to the Dowager Countess and 2 charges of £2,000 left to C.S. Clements and Rev F.N. Clements by Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl and then represented by the Will trustees and the Marriage Settlement trustees. These charges were paid off in 1933 by the transfer of Irish land bonds to the trustees of both trusts. The Will trustees were also paid the remaining balance of the purchase price £8,547. By 1941 almost the whole of the estate was represented by holdings in 4½% land bonds. [see also Ms 33,876 (6)]

In the mid 1920s, anticipating the sale of the estate, George Stewart, agent, at Newtown Gore began to sell off small plots and holdings in a rather irregular fashion. This scheme continued during the 1930s for any small holdings not taken over by the Land Commission although the purchasers were not given any title.

This section contains correspondence and associated papers mainly relating to the sale of the estate. The main correspondents were Warrens; Bury and Walkers; Beauchamp and Orr; J.R. Stewart and Sons; Charles, 5th Earl; the trustees; c. 430 items.

Ms 33,869	Copy legal and financial papers and correspondence relating to the tax
(1-3)	affairs of the Dowager Countess; her gift of the estate to Charles, 5th
	Earl in 1926; her confirmatory surrender in 1929; c. 75 items.
	1926, 1928, 1929

Ms 33,869 (4) Correspondence relating to abstract of title to the estate [see also Ms 33,853 (7)]; 28 sheets.

May 1927 - Jan 1928

#### (VIII.iii. Newtown Gore Estate 1926-48)

Ms 33,869 (5) Bundle of correspondence and conveyance relating to sale of village holdings and Church of Ireland rectory and field; the proceeds of these sales were to go to the Marriage Settlement Trustees as part repayment of the mortgage of 8 Feb 1912; 31 sheets. 1927, 1930, 1932-3

Ms 33,869 (6) Correspondence relating to the 'irregular' sales of parts of the estate by the agent and the protection of the interests of the Marriage Settlement trustees. Includes a 'General Notice to Claimants' from The Irish Land Commission showing that the estate was then comprised of 'Aghaleague, Carrickatean[e], Church Island, Derrylahan and parts of Cloonboygher, Cullen and Brownhill, Druminuff, Keelrin, Killydrum, Kilnacreevy, Lugnagon, Mullyester [Mullyaster], Newtowngore and Tully North all situate in the Barony of Carrickallen' [Carrigalllen], dated 24 Jan 1928; 15 sheets. Feb 1928, Oct - Nov 1930

Bundle (7-10) of correspondence and a few legal papers relating to the following:

- Ms 33,869 (7) Sale of small holdings at Lugnagon, Tully, Newtown Gore and Tully North; c.50 sheets.
  1929-30
- Ms 33,869 (8-9) Sale of the estate; transfer of Irish land bonds to the Marriage Settlement and Will Trusts [see Ms 33,854 (6)]; details of 7 holdings sold by Stewarts for £418 in 1933; one of these was the market house in Newtown Gore. Includes references to difficulties over the sale of Miss Charlotte Lipsey's holding in Lugnagon 1934 and the nomination of Rev R.J. Doonan as manager of Newtown Gore school in 1942; c. 100 sheets.

Feb - June 1933 July 1933 - Sept 1934, 1941-2

Ms 33,869 (10) Sale of heirlooms and a picture; separation of the Leitrims [see Ms 33,888 (5)]. Includes V.A. Malcolmson's indemnification on being appointed trustee to the Marriage Settlement Trust 8 Feb 1912 [relevant to the establishment of title] and a manuscript book containing the will and 11 codicils of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl 1821-54 [relevant to the sale of heirlooms]; 9 items. 1933

#### (VIII.iii. Newtown Gore Estate 1926-48)

Ms 33,869 (11-14)

Bundle of papers, mainly correspondence, relating to the sale of: the remaining small holdings to Michael O'Rourke, Frank Kieran, Mrs Kieran and P. Maguire; Newtown Gore [Church of Ireland] school and the Lough shore at Keelrin. Includes reference to succession duty to be paid on death of Dowager Countess and the redemption of £200 in land bonds; c.150 items.

1930, 1937 1938-4 1944-5 1946-8

# IX. The Donegal Settlement of Charles, 5th Earl 1902 (Mss 33,870-7)

The Donegal settlement of 20 Oct 1902 was part of the marriage settlement of Charles, 5th Earl and Violet Lina Henderson, eldest daughter of Richard Henderson of Sedgwick Park, Horsham, Sussex, who had been a director of the Bank of England. The three parties to the settlement were Charles, 5th Earl, Violet Lina Henderson, the trustees Arthur H. Renshaw and Charles J. Stewart. The Earl conveyed the Donegal estates to the trustees for his own use during his life and afterwards to his male heirs, with remainder to the male heirs of his brother F.P.Clements and for the provision of a jointure of £1,000 for Violet if she outlived him. The settlement also provided the Earl with wide powers of management and of spending capital monies in improvements and building. He enacted these powers especially with regard to the Rosapenna Hotel, which he developed during the 1910s and 1920s.

To pay for the development of the hotel and other improvements the Earl mortgaged the estates and other securities to the Northern Bank Ltd, Belfast, the Irish Grants Committee, Colonial Office, Whitehall, London and the Equitable Life Assurance Society, 19 Coleman St, London.

The effect of the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage on almost all the financial affairs of the Donegal estates is reflected throughout the papers in this subgroup. Charles, 5th Earl received his first loan from the Society in 1912. By 1929 he owed the Society almost £30,000 which was reduced to about £8,000 by the time of his death in 1952. Warrens also acted as solicitors for the Society.

After the Land Act of 1923 Charles, 5th Earl began to sell parts of the Donegal estates to various individuals. The proceeds of these sales went to the Equitable Life Assurance Society. In the early 1930s the main bulk of the Donegal and Newtown Gore estates were sold to the Irish Land Commission. Payment was received in the form of 4½% land bonds, which were issued in 1935 for the Donegal estates.

# (IX. The Donegal Settlement of Charles, 5th Earl)

Much of the correspondence of the late 1930s and all through the 1940s was concerned with the redemption of land bonds and the reduction of the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage.

In 1929 Michael Renshaw and Richard P. Graham Vivian were appointed as new trustees. The latter played an active role in the administration of the Trust.

The papers of the Donegal Settlement have been divided into 6 sections relating to the early years of the Trust, Rosapenna Hotel, mortgages, sales to individual persons, the Land Commission and miscellaneous. Only the first and last sections have been further subdivided according to the different classes of papers.

# IX.i. Early Years of the Trust 1878-1939 (Ms 33,870-2)

The marriage settlement of Charles, 5th Earl and Violet Henderson involved 2 separate deeds, known as the English or 'personalty' settlement and the Irish or Donegal settlement. The papers in the first subsection relate to the settlements of 1902. Other papers in the section include the trustees' accounts and letters reflecting the Earl's efforts to make improvements on his Donegal estates; c. 215 items.

# IX.i.1. Marriage Settlement of 1902 (Ms 33,870)

Bundle (1-5) of copy legal papers and letters relating to the marriage settlement. Letters to Warrens ['Mr Deas'] from Murray, Hutchins, Stirling and Murray, solicitors for the Henderson interests; Arthur Renshaw; Sir Charles Stewart; the Countess and Charles, 5th Earl; c. 100 items, 1878-1902.

- Ms 33,870 (1) Copy legal papers including: marriage settlement of Robert Henderson and Emma Caroline Hargreaves 1878; appointment and will of Robert Henderson 1891; conveyance of Leat Beg chapel of ease to the Representative Church Body 1896; 'appointment' of the townland of Money More to James Boughey Monk Lingard-Monk, 1896; 5 items. 1878, 1891, 1896
- Ms 33,870 (2) Copy legal papers, including: memorandum and proposals from both parties; epitomes of the Donegal settlement; will of Charles, 5th Earl; notice to the trustees of Marriage Settlement Trust 1903; 13 items. 1902-3
- Ms 33,870 Correspondence; 80 sheets.
  - (3-5) July 1902 Aug – Sept 1902 Oct – Nov 1902

# IX.i.2. Trustees' Accounts (Ms 33,871)

A vol of trustees' accounts, a bank pass book and associated correspondence: 5 items, 1909-39.

- Ms 33,871 (1) Trustees' account book relating to improvements at Rosapenna Hotel; various sales and the mortgage with Equitable Life Assurance Society. Includes 2 loose letters relating to the sale of a house and premises to Andrew McFadden of 'Ballyoughegan' 1949; pale coloured vol, black spine, 20 x 32 cms; 15 pp. [see also Ms 33,854 (1) & Ms 33,863] 1909 1939
- Ms 33,871 (2) 1 bank pass book of the trustees in account with Coutts and Co; includes 3 letters relating to the balance of £7.4s.7d in this account; 4 items. 1909-19, 1930, 1937

# IX.i.3. Correspondence and Associated Papers (Ms 33,872)

This subsection relates to estate improvements; headrents; sale of parts of the townland of Milford; appointments of new trustees and an agent and the political disturbances of the early 1920s. Main correspondents Warrens and Charles, 5<sup>th</sup> Earl; the trustees; Col John Robert Baillie, Strabane, Co. Tyrone, surveyor; John Arthur Fraser; Osborne and Co; Farrer and Co; Coutts and Co; c. 115 items. 1908-32

- Ms 33,872 (1) Letters relating to improvements on the estate, including Rosapenna Hotel and the steward's house; 21 sheets. 1908, 1912-13
- Ms 33,872 (2) Letters relating to the sale of the head rent on the Pepys estate and bills and receipts for professional charges from Warrens and Farrer and Co; c. 40 sheets.

  1913-20
- Ms 33,872 (3) Draft conveyance and letters relating to the sale of parcels of ground in the townland of Milford to the Catholic Church. Includes references to the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage; 6 items. 1921-2

# (IX.i.3. Correspondence and Associated Papers)

- Ms 33,872 (4) Draft conveyance and letters relating to the sale of a parcel of ground in the townland of Milford, which was bought by Rt Hon John Campbell White, Craigavad, Co Down on behalf of the Education Board of the Letterkenny Presbytery. Includes a reference to the original deed having been burnt in the Four Courts, April 1922, while waiting to be stamped. In an undated letter to [B.R.] Warren, Charles, 5th Earl writes '...My agent [John Arthur Fraser] escaped with his life from Mulroy wounded in the thigh in doing so. The accounts from all parts are simply worse than ever'; 16 items.
- Ms 33,872 (5) Correspondence and other papers mainly relating to the appointment of new trustees Michael Renshaw and Richard P. Graham Vivian 1929; c. 30 sheets.

  1921-2, 1929, 1932
- Ms 33,872 (6) Draft agreement Charles, 5th Earl to John Arthur Fraser relating to the agency of the Donegal estates; 1 item.
  1923

# IX.ii. Rosapenna Hotel 1912-52 (Ms 33,873)

Charles, 5th Earl continued the development of the Rosapenna Hotel. He mortgaged his estates to help pay for this development but apparently the hotel never quite prospered in the way he envisaged. The hotel became a limited company and in 1932 the Earl agreed to give up his rent for 7 years to help the hotel. In 1940 the hotel was sold to Howard Catherwood of Belfast. Warrens became briefly involved with the hotel again in 1951, when H. Catherwood was prosecuted by an unhappy client from London; c. 470 items

- Ms 33,873 (1) Bundle of letters and associated papers relating to improvements at Rosapenna Hotel by the provision of a new garage, kitchen chimney, refrigerator and staff quarters and Col J.R. Baillie's certification of the works. Includes a draft prospectus from the Donegal Power and Lighting Company and I letter from R. P. Graham Vivian, 1936; c. 20 items. 1919-20
- Ms 33,873 (2) Copy legal and financial papers, including Harold Tomkins' agreement to become manager of the hotel at a salary of £400 per year in 1920; valuation of the hotel buildings, furniture, garage, glass, plate, linen and other effects, made by Alexander Weir and Co, Railway St, Strabane, Co. Tyrone in 1921; 10 items.

  1920-1

# (IX.ii. Rosapenna Hotel 1912-52)

- Ms 33,873 (3) Draft lease from the trustees to the Rosapenna Hotel Ltd and 1 letter from Sir Charles Stewart; 3 items.
  1922
- Ms 33,873 (4) Agreement made between Charles, 5th Earl and the hotel to forgo his rent for 7 years, includes correspondence between Warrens and Osborne and Co; Equitable Life Assurance Society; c. 18 items.

  1932
- Ms 33,873
  Correspondence between Warrens and Osborne and Co; the Northern
  Bank of Ireland, Belfast; Charles, 5th Earl; Equitable Life Assurance
  Society; Beauchamp and Orr and the trustees, relating to the sale of the
  Rosapenna Hotel to Howard Catherwood, Ballinacor, Antrim Rd,
  Belfast. Includes letters dated 1922, 1927 and 1932; c. 300 sheets.
  Apr 1939 Apr 1940
  May 1940 Apr 1941
  May 1941 Feb 1942
- Ms 33,873 (8) Copy legal papers relating to the Rosapenna Hotel 1922-34 and the sale of the hotel to H. Catherwood in 1940 for £14,000. Includes: instructions to Counsel, Mr. Roger W. Turnbull, Lincoln's Inn, London to advise on the winding up of the Donegal Settlement; c. 11 items. 1940-3
- Ms 33,873 (9) Financial papers and other items relating to the sale of the hotel and acquisition of part of Rosapenna by the Land Commission. Includes: rough notes compiled by J.D. Kerr of Warrens and bills for solicitor's charges; c. 40 items. 1939-41
- Ms 33,873

  (10-11)

  Bundle of correspondence and associated papers relating to a claim taken against H.M. Catherwood and the Rosapenna Hotel, by Marshall Andrew, 31 Queen Anne's Gate, St James Park, London for the provision of unsatisfactory accommodation in a holiday flat at Sheephaven House. Osborne and Co acted for H. Catherwood and they referred the case to Warrens. Garland Wells and Co, Donington House, Norfolk St, Strand, London were the solicitors for M. Andrew. Includes 3 photos of the hotel and a brochure; c. 70 items.

  Apr 1950 Jan 1951

  Sept 1950 Jan 1952

### IX.iii. Mortgages 1912-52 (Ms 33,874)

The papers in this section relate to 3 mortgages held by Coutts and Co, the Irish Grants Committee and the Equitable Life Assurance Society. The Irish Grants Committee lent the Earl £3,000 in 1923. The balance of this loan £2,650 was secured by a mortgage on the Donegal estates to Matthew John Drayson in 1929 and was finally paid off in 1935. This mortgage was sometimes referred to as the Drayson mortgage. Charles, 5th Earl borrowed money from the Equitable Life Assurance Society throughout the 1910s, 1920s and early 1930s. The Donegal estates were the main security for this loan. He was able to reduce his loan after the sale of the Donegal estates to the Land Commission but was still in debt to the Society when he died in 1952. Sir William Palin Elderton, actuary, represented the interests of the Society.

The main correspondents were Warrens and Equitable Life Assurance Society; Treasury Solicitor [Irish Grants Committee]; Coutts and Co; Osborne and Co; Beauchamp and Orr; Stewart Blacker Quin and Co; Charles, 5th Earl; J. Arthur Fraser and Richard Graham Vivian; [see also Ms 33,865 (5-7)]: c. 350 items.

- Ms 33,874 (1) Bundle of draft legal papers and correspondence relating to the 1912 Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage, which involved the trustees of both the Marriage Settlement Trust and the Will Trust. Includes a draft of the consolidating mortgage, dated 14 April 1919, charged on the Donegal estates and other policies, to secure a principal sum of £24,500 and incorporated a number of former loans made to Charles, 5th Earl. References to a life assurance policy of £18,000 against Charles, 5th Earl dying in his mother's lifetime; 55 items. 1912-4, 1919
- Ms 33,874 (2) Correspondence relating to the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage; income tax; Will Trust shares; estate of Michael Studdert in Co. Clare; mortgage on 65 South Audley St, London [see 33,864 (5)]; c.55 sheets.

  1923-8
- Ms 33,874 (3) Bundle of correspondence relating to a loan of £3,000 from the Irish Grants Committee in 1923 and balance of £2,650 secured by a mortgage to Matthew John Drayson in 1929. Includes a copy of draft mortgage 1929; c. 30 items.

  1926-9
- Ms 33,874 (4) Correspondence relating to Equitable Life Assurance Society and Irish Grants Committee mortgages; c. 35 sheets.

  Apr June 1935

# (IX.iii. Mortgages 1912-52)

Ms 33,874 Correspondence relating to the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage, land bonds and the rearrangement of Charles, 5th Earl's indemnity to the Society due to the sale of the estates. In a letter, dated 29 July 1935 the Earl thanks Bertram Warren for the new arrangement and concludes '... Things might have gone so very wrong had Rosa [Rosapenna Hotel] not carried on well'; c. 100 pp.

June - July 1935

Aug - Sep 1935

Ms 33,874 (7) Correspondence relating to the repayment of the Irish Grants Committee mortgage; 11 sheets.

June - Aug 1935

Ms 33,874 (8) Notes and copy reply letters of Warrens relating to Charles, 5th Earl's mortgage with Equitable Assurance Life Society; 13 sheets.

July 1935

Ms 33,874 (9) Bundle of correspondence relating to the Equitable Life Assurance Society; a life insurance policy with London Life Association Ltd; fishing rights in Co. Donegal. One letter from Warrens to Charles, 5th Earl at Rosapenna Hotel, Co. Donegal, dated 28 Aug 1939, refers to the Equitable Life Assurance Society's refusal of a further loan to the Earl during ' ... the present international situation ...'; c. 30 items. 1939-41

Ms 33,874 (10) Correspondence and some draft legal papers relating to the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage, including letters written after the death of Charles, 5th Earl and references to his will. A deed of release, further charge, variation and consolidation, dated 25 Mar 1950, gives a good summary of the mortgage. Includes an OS map of the Donegal estates, parts of which are coloured green in connection with the mortgage, scale 1 inch = 1 mile; c. 24 items. 1943, 1947, 1950, 1952

#### IX.iv. Sales to Individual Persons 1924-50 (Ms 33,875)

The papers listed here document sales of parts of the Donegal estates to individual persons, under the Land Act of 1923. The main correspondents were Warrens and Osborne and Co; Equitable Life Assurance Society; c. 185 items.

# (IX.iv. Sales to Individual Persons 1924-50)

Ms 33,875 (1)	Draft conveyance and correspondence relating to sale of part of Creeslough to Patrick Ferry, 1924; 5 items. 1924-5
Ms 33,875 (2)	Draft conveyance and correspondence relating to the sale of part of Tirloughan known as 'The Model Farm' to Edward Coyle of Magheramagorgan for £550; 16 items. 1927-8
Ms 33,875 (3)	Correspondence relating to the sale of the Milford Quays to Jeremiah Shields; 15 sheets. 1927-8
Ms 33,875 (4)	Correspondence relating to the sale of 50 acres of Ballyhiernan for twice it's value to a 'bootlegger in America'; 9 sheets. July 1931
Ms 33,875 (5)	Draft conveyance and correspondence relating to sale of part of Leat Beg to George Arthur Peoples; c. 30 items. 1931-2
Ms 33,875 (6)	Correspondence relating to sale of 48 acres of Doagh More, part of Clondavaddog to R.J. Peoples; 18 sheets. Aug-Nov 1936
Ms 33,875 (7)	Draft conveyance and correspondence relating to sale of part of Dundooan to the Irish Youth Hostels Trust; 24 items. 1938-9
Ms 33,875 (8)	Correspondence relating to the sale of Tease's premises in the town of Milford to Mrs. K. Walsh and the granting of a new lease of the Carrickart Presbyterian manse; c. 30 sheets. 1944-5
Ms 33,875 (9)	Correspondence relating to sale of a house and buildings in the townland of Rosapenna to John Buchan and a parcel of land in Milford adjacent to the horse market to Edward Kelly of Drumbern, Milford; c. 35 sheets.

1949-50

#### IX.v. Land Commission 1929-50 (Ms 33,876)

The Land Commission bought the Donegal and Newtown Gore estates in the early 1930s. 4½% land bonds were issued in 1935 for the payment on the Donegal estates and were redeemed to pay off some of the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage, the balance of £44,495 went to the trustees of the Donegal Settlement [see also Ms 33,874 (5-6)]. The main correspondents were Warrens and Osborne and Co; Beauchamp and Orr; John R. Peart; Young Jones and Co; Equitable Life Assurance Society; Coutts and Co; Richard Graham Vivian; c. 650 items.

Ms 33,876 (1) Correspondence relating to various deeds and documents concerning the title and sale of the Donegal estates under the Land Acts; 20 sheets.

Jan - June 1932

Ms 33,876

Correspondence relating to the redemption of the head rents on the Fausett estate, part of the security for the mortgage from Equitable.

(2-3) Fausett estate, part of the security for the mortgage from Equitable Life Assurance Society; c. 90 sheets.

Nov 1933-Apr 1934

May 1934-Jan 1935

- Ms 33,876 (4) Correspondence regarding the sale of the head rent on the Watt estate and an acre of Rinmore to Hugh McElwaine, 1937; 17 sheets. 1933, 1935, 1937
- Ms 33,876 (5) Correspondence relating to sale of head rent of the Olphert estate and purchase by the Land Commission of head rent of the Key estate; c. 35 sheets.

  1934, 1937

Bundle (6-7) of financial papers, rough notes, letters and receipts relating to the purchase of the Newtown Gore and Donegal estates by the Irish Land Commission in the early 1930s for £16,081 and £114,654  $4\frac{1}{2}$ % Irish land bonds respectively.

- Ms 33,876 (6) Papers relating to Newtown Gore estate, includes a draft copy of Dowager Countess confirmatory surrender of her life interest to Charles, 5th Earl in 1929 [see also Ms 33,869]; 20 sheets. 1929-30, 1933, 1936
- Ms 33,876 (7) Papers relating to Donegal estates, includes receipts from the Equitable Life Assurance Society and for income tax; c. 50 items. 1934-44

#### (IX.v. Land Commission 1929-50)

- Ms 33,876 Correspondence relating to sale of Donegal estates to Land
  - (8-9) Commission and transfer of land bonds; c. 70 sheets.
    Oct 1934-May 1935

Oct 1934-May 1935 June 1935 -Dec 1936

- Ms 33,876 (10) Correspondence relating to the release by Lady Leitrim of her £1,000 jointure on the Donegal estates; 12 sheets.

  1934, 1939
- Ms 33,876 (11) Affidavits of W. Palin Elderton in the Court of the Land Commission and other papers; letters and notes relating to: the Equitable Life Assurance Society mortgage; an agreement as to the remuneration to be received by John Allan Osborne, solicitor, of Milford, Co. Donegal for carrying through the sale to the Land Commission; copy letters of administration for the estate of Francis P. Clements; 20 items. 1935
- Ms 33,876 (12) Correspondence relating to redemption of land bonds and the purchase of Lewis Ltd mortgage debenture stock by the trustees; c. 30 sheets. 1935-6
- Ms 33,876 (13) Corespondence relating to the sale of labourers' plots to Donegal Jan-Feb 1935
  Jan-Feb 1935
- Ms 33,876 (14) Correspondence relating to the sale of a labourer's plot at Cooladerry and a receipt for £6; c. 25 pp.

  Jan Nov 1936
- Ms 33,876 (15) Correspondence relating to the head rent on the Hill estate and an application to the Irish Courts to release the interest on £11,051 in Irish land bonds retained by the Land Commission from the purchase price of the Donegal estates. Includes a copy of the Leitrim Estates Act 1880 and the Land Act 1923; 12 items. 1940-1
- Ms 33,876 (16) Correspondence relating to the sale of a holding in the barony of Kilmacrenan to Frank Duffy; 8 sheets. 1940-41
- Ms 33,876 (17) Bundle of correspondence relating to the transfer of £1,767 4½% Irish land bonds to the trustees from the sale of tenanted and untenanted land in Co. Donegal to the Land Commission. Includes 3 accounts and reference to Frank Duffy's Kilmacrenan holding; c. 30 sheets.

  Oct 1941 Feb 1942

#### (IX.v. Land Commission 1929-50)

Ms 33,876 Correspondence relating to the redemption of land bonds, investment (18-21) of the proceeds and other financial matters; c. 200 pp.

Jan 1938 - Jan 1943 Sept 1943 - Dec 1945 Jan 1946 - Dec 1947 Jan 1948 - Dec 1950

#### IX.vi. Miscellaneous (Ms 33,877)

This section contains correspondence relating to the purchase of a farm of 63 acres in the townland of Tirloughan, close to Rosapenna and 2 OS maps; c. 72 items.

# IX.vi.1. Tirloughan Farm 1937-8 (Ms 33,877)

Ms 33,877 Bundle of correspondence between Warrens and Osborne and Co;

Coutts and Co; Charles, 5th Earl and the trustees relating to the purchase of a farm at Tirloughan, Co. Donegal, by Charles, 5th Earl, in 1938 from William John McElhinney of Springford, Carrickart for £1,500. The purchase money was raised by a temporary overdraft with Coutts and Co for £1,200 and by the sale of £300 Irish land bonds in Jan 1938. Includes 2 draft deeds and reference to improvements at Mulroy cottage; [see also Ms 33,865 (1)]; c. 70 items.

Nov 1937 - May 1938

# IX.vi.2. Maps [1849] (Ms Maps 19-20)

Ms Map 19 L 2 ordnance survey maps of Co. Donegal, numbered 8 and 17, partly coloured in pink The dates 23 and 26 April [18]56 are written in the

bottom right hand corner of the maps and on the outside 'with 4237/96';

scale 6 inch = 1 mile; 2 items.

[1849]

# X. Charles, 5th Earl's English Properties 1909-38 (Mss 33,878-80)

Papers relating to Charles, 5th Earl's purchase and immediate resale of Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent; his proposed purchase of property on New Cavendish St and Hallam St, London and his purchase of the lease of a flat at 65 Curzon St, London, all in the 1920s; c. 460 items.

# X.i. Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent 1909-35 (Ms 33,878)

Court Lodge Farm belonged to the Leigh family of nearby Barham Court in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. In Oct 1909 the farm of about 200 acres, was leased by Roger Leigh to Frederick Bowerman for 21 years. Charles, 5th Earl bought this lease for £4,000 in Jan 1919. He appears to have lived at Court Lodge Farm on a regular basis throughout the early 1920s, as many of his letters at that time are addressed from Teston. He also ran a dairy at the farm and employed David A. Bowerman [son of the original leasee], see headed notepaper entitled 'Lord Leitrim's Dairies' in (6).

In Feb 1924 Roger Leigh died. Charles, 5th Earl decided to buy the farm and to immediately offer it for resale. As the sitting tenant he was able to purchase it for £8,650, from Robert Douglas Leigh Pemberton, Torry Hill, Sittingbourne, Kent, in the autumn of 1924. The farm, divided into 9 lots, was put up for auction on 2 Oct 1924. The auction did not include the house and 20 acres, which were sold privately to Charles, 5th Earl's sister, Lady Mostyn, for £4,500. The sale price for the whole property came to a total of £19,456, all the costs amounted to £9,541, which left a profit of £9,915. Charles, 5th Earl was very pleased with the result of the sale and wrote in a letter to Warrens, dated 17 [Feb? 1925] 'Very many thanks to you for the successful conclusion of our excellent business ...' [see (14)].

Langridge and Freeman, Tunbridge Wells, Kent and 28 Queen St, Cheapside, London were the chartered surveyors involved in the transactions. Meynell and Pemberton, 30 Old Queen St, Story's Gate, Westminster, London, solicitors represented the Leigh family interests. Much of the correspondence concerns title to the farm, which had to be established before conveyance to the new owners, who were as follows:

Lot 1 Albert Fairbrother and Son, Consley Wood, Wadhurst, Sussex,

Lot 2 Horace George Lockyer, Springfield House, Mereworth, Kent,

Lots 3 & 5 Major John Sterndale Bennett, Oaken Wood Farm, Wateringbury, Kent,

Lot 6 Elias Pilcher, this lot was transferred to Major Bennett,

Lot 4 Robert and Donald Mitchell, Pelican Farm, Wateringbury, Kent

Lots 7,8 & 9 Fred Cooper, Elmdene, Holland Rd, Maidstone, Kent.

The 6 bundles of papers and other items relating to Court Lodge Farm have been brought together and rearranged as one section; c. 290 items.

#### (X.i. Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent 1909-35)

- Ms 33,878 (1) Copy conveyance from Roger Leigh, 70 Courtfield Gardens, London and others to Col C.E. Warde, MP, Barham Court, Teston, of freehold hereditaments in the parishes of Teston West, Farleigh and West Barming, Kent. Includes a map showing Court Lodge and a note in pencil 'To be returned to Lady Mostyn's Teston bundle 31.1.[19]35'; 1 item.
  5 Feb 1913
- Ms 33,878 (2) Legal opinion of Alfred Roscoe, 2 Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn, [London] 'for Sir B.L. Cherry', regarding the sale particulars; 1 item. 17 Sept 1924
- Ms 33,878 (3) Bundle of papers relating to the assignment of the lease of the farm to Charles, 5th Earl in 1919 and the sale of the farm in 1924. Includes a power of attorney to Lady Leitrim, 30 Oct 1924 and sale particulars with pencil annotations of sale prices. The correspondence includes letters to Warrens from Meynell and Pemberton and in 1949 from Argles and Court, 66 King St, Maidstone, Kent, solicitors, regarding part of the farm [Lots 7,8 and 9] sold to Fred Cooper; 24 items. 1919, 1924, 1949
- Ms 33,878 (4) Instructions to counsel, Sir Benjamin J. Cherry, regarding title in 1924 and the original conveyance of pieces of land in the parishes of Wateringbury and Teston, Kent, from the trustees of the will of Caroline Vickery to the trustees of the will of Sir Robert Holt Leigh Bart, 30 June 1862; 2 items. 1862, 1924

Bundle (5–7) of papers relating to title and to the sale of Lot 1 and Lots 7, 8 and 9.

- Ms 33,878 (5) Legal papers, including the lease of the farm from Roger Leigh to F. Bowerman, 18 Oct 1909; the contract for the sale of the farm from Robert D. L. Pemberton to Charles, 5th Earl, 8 Sept 1924; abstract of title to the Leigh estate 1924; copy surrender of the lease 27 Jan 1925; death certificates of the Leigh family; maps and papers relating to a fire policy; includes 3 letters from Langridge and Freeman; 12 items. 1909, 1924-5
- Ms 33,878 (6) Draft conveyance, sale particulars and correspondence relating to the purchase of Lot 1, includes letters from Murton, Clarke and Murton-Neale, Cranbrook, Kent, solicitors to A. Fairbrother and Sons, 3 letters dated 1931; c. 50 items. 1924-5, 1931

#### (X.i. Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent 1909-35)

Ms 33,878 (7) Draft conveyance and correspondence relating to the purchase of Lots 7, 8 and 9, includes letters from Bracher Son and Miskin, 44 Earl St, Maidstone solicitors to F. Cooper; 16 items.

Oct - Dec 1924

Bundle (8–10) of papers relating to title and to the sale of Lot 2.

- Ms 33,878 (8) Various items including: assignment of the lease 1919; sales particulars; instructions to counsel which include a list of the purchasers of the 9 lots and other papers connected with the Leigh family; 7 items.

  1919, 1924-5
- Ms 33,878 (9) Correspondence between Warrens and Meynell and Pemberton; Langridge and Freeman; The Country Gentlemen's Association Ltd, Carlton House, Regent St, London; Charles, 5th Earl; others regarding the sale of the farm and requisitions for title; c. 80 items. 1924-5
- Ms 33,878 (10) Draft conveyance and correspondence relating to the sale of Lot 2, includes letters from Ellis and Ellis, 35 Meath St, Maidstone, solicitors to F. Cooper; 9 items. 1924-5

Bundle (11–12) of papers relating to the sale of Lots 3, 5 and 6.

- Ms 33,878 (11) Draft legal papers and correspondence, includes letters from King, Hughes and Howse, 6 Mill St, Maidstone, solicitors to the Bennetts; c. 45 items. 1924-5
- Ms 33,878 (12) Sales particulars; 2 items. 1924
- Ms 33,878 (13) Bundle containing a draft conveyance, sale particulars and correspondence relating to the purchase of Lot 4, includes letters from Brennan and Brennan, 86 Week St, Maidstone, solicitors to the Mitchells; 12 items.

  1924-5

#### (X.i. Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent 1909-35)

Ms 33,878 (14) Bundle of copy legal papers, financial papers and 7 letters, the legal papers include a disentailing deed 1874, instructions to counsel and requisitions on title. The financial papers relate to the expenses of the sale including Langridge and Freeman's charges and contain a summary of the whole financial transaction with regard to Charles, 5th Earl; 20 items.

1924-5

Ms 33,878 (15) Instructions to counsel Mr F.E. Bray to advise on unemployment insurance, includes his opinion regarding the employment of Percy Ashbee and 'Cox'; 2 sheets.

July 1925

Ms 33,878 (16) Correspondence between Warrens and Ellis and Ellis, 35 Earl St,
Maidstone, solicitors, relating to Lot 2 sold to H.G. Lockyer; 6 items.
Jan - Feb 1935

#### X.ii. New Cavendish St and Hallam St 1925 (Ms 33,879)

Ms 33,879 Bundle of letters relating to the proposed purchase of leasehold property on New Cavendish St and Hallam St, London by Charles, 5th Earl from Charles Lee, for £3,000. Letters to Warrens from Charles, 5th Earl; Gery and Brooks, 10 Cavendish St, Cavendish Sq, London, solicitors to C. Lee; R. Stephen Ayling, 53 Victoria St, Westminster, architect. Charles, 5th Earl did not buy this property [see Ms 33,888 (4)]. Includes a ground plan of the site; 20 items.

June - Oct 1925

#### X.iii. 65 Curzon Street 1928-38 (Ms 33,880)

Bundle of papers relating to a ground floor flat at 65 Curzon St, Mayfair, the London home of Charles, 5th Earl for a number of years after his separation from Lady Leitrim. This flat was leased to Paul Bernard Roth, 29 Welbeck St, London, surgeon by Arthur Henry Dunning in Sept 1925 and assigned to Charles, 5th Earl in 1928 for £150 at an annual rent of £245. The Earl also leased the rear garden from Dame Lillah Keeble. The flat was subleased to Henry Gingsbury, 10 Bouverie St, London in 1934 and was acquired by the City Council of Westminster under a compulsory order in 1938; c. 150 items.

#### (X.iii. 65 Curzon Street)

- Ms 33,880 (1) Draft agreement and assignment, P.B. Roth to Charles, 5th Earl and correspondence between Warrens and Ramsden and Co, 85
  Gracechurch St, London, solicitors; Charles, 5th Earl relating to the flat; 20 items.
  1928
- Ms 33,880 (2) Agreement and correspondence between Warrens and Ralph Bond, Veitch and Bilney, Norfolk House, Norfolk St, Victoria Embankment, London, solicitors for Lady Keeble relating to the lease of the garden at the rear; 13 items.

  Oct Nov 1928
- Ms 33,880 (3) Correspondence between Warrens and Warmington and Co, 19
  Berkeley St, Piccadilly, London, auctioneers, surveyors and estate agents, relating to Charles, 5th Earl's complaints about staff arrangements at the flat; 14 pp.
  1930-1
- Ms 33,880 (4) Draft agreement and correspondence relating to the lease of the flat to H. Ginsbury; c 40 items.

  June Sept 1934
- Ms 33,880 (5) Draft legal papers and correspondence between Warrens and S. Walker and Son, Northgate House, 20/24 Moorgate, London, chartered surveyors, auctioneers and valuers; Allen and Son, 17 Carlisle St, Soho Sq, London, solicitors to the City Council of Westminster, relating to the compulsory acquisition of the flat by the Council to make road improvements; c. 60 items. 1936-8
- Ms 33,880 (6) Copy of London County Council General Powers Act; 1 item. 1937

# XI. Miscellaneous 1833-1946 (Mss 33,881-9)

A subgroup containing 6 sections relating to the following: petitions from 3 three Earls of Leitrim regarding Representative Peers for Ireland; a property in Berkeley Sq, London and the will of Lady Caroline Burges [sister of Sydney, 3rd Earl]; a lease of The Pentlands, Eastbourne to Dowager Countess; Charles, 5th Earl's wills, his grants of power of attorney and in his role as trustee to Arthur Renshaw's Will Trust; separation, divorce and death of Lady Leitrim; Sir Charles Stewart; c. 330 items.

#### XI.i. Representative Peers 1833, 1878, 1902 (Ms 33,881)

Bundle (1-3) of draft petitions and letters relating to the claims of three Earls of Leitrim to vote at elections for representative peers for Ireland to sit in the English House of Lords, includes genealogical information; c. 60 items.

- Ms 33,881 (1) Papers relating to the petition of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, includes a letter to Bray and Warrens, Feb 1833; 7 items.

  1833
- Ms 33,881 (2) Papers relating to the petition of Robert, 4th Earl, includes Lady Elizabeth V. Clements' declaration; extracts from the family bible of Rev Francis N. Clements; family trees and letters relating to family entries in parish registers [see also Ms 33,849 Lady Keppel's letter]; c. 30 items.
- Ms 33,881 (3) Papers relating to the petition of Charles, 5th Earl, includes Lady Mostyn's declaration and letters from the Dowager Countess; 19 items. 1902

# **XI.ii.** Burges Family 1878 (Ms 33,882)

Bundle of documents relating to the sale of a house at 37 Hill St and stabling in Hay's Mews, to Alexander G. Fullerton, by R. B. Clements as the executor of Charles S. Clements, for £7,000. The lease of this property was bought from Lord Gilbert Kennedy in 1860 for £6,000, out of a legacy left to Lady Caroline Burges [died 1869]. By her will Lady C. Burges left her interest in the property to her 2 daughters Mary Ann Margaret and Alice Caroline [who married Major Francis Brodigan in 1877]. Her husband John Ynyr Burges retained a life interest, which he gave up in 1878, the property was sold and the proceeds divided between his 2 daughters; 5 items.

- Ms 33,882 (1) Abstract of assignment and of will of Lady C. Burges and copy assignment R.B. Clements to A.G. Fullerton; 2 items. 1878
- Ms 33,882 (2) Release John Y. Burges and others to Robert, 4th Earl in respect of £7,000, includes copy release signed by F. Brodigan and a succession duty form; 3 items.

  1878

#### **XI.iii.** Dowager Countess 1907-19 (Ms 33,883)

The Dowager Countess assigned her lease of Portman Sq to Charles, 5th Earl in 1907 [see Ms 33,865 (2)] and moved to Eastbourne, Kent where she lived for the rest of her life at The Pentlands and from 1910 at Selwyn House. She transferred some of her private shares to two of her daughters in 1919; c. 40 items.

- Ms 33,883 (1) Correspondence and other papers relating to the Dowager Countess' lease of The Pentlands, Upperton Rd, Eastbourne [part of the Gilbert estate] from Dr. J. Pitcairn Bookless and in mortgage to Dr. J.U. Huxley; 14 items.

  1907 10
- Ms 33,883 (2) Correspondence to Warrens from Dowager Countess; Coutts and Co; J. and A. Scrimgeour relating to the transfer of some of her private investments to her daughters Lady Maud Roundell and Lady Kathleen Studd; 27 sheets.

  Mar Dec 1919

# XI.iv. Charles, 5th Earl 1913-34 (Mss 33,884-7)

A section containing miscellaneous papers relating to Charles, 5th Earl, including his grants of power of attorney; his wills; his role as trustee to Arthur Renshaw's Will Trust and a map of Hursley, which appears to have no connection with the rest of the collection; c. 70 items.

#### XI.iv.1. Wills (Ms 33,884)

Original and draft wills of Charles, 5th Earl and some correspondence [see also Ms 33,867 (2-3)]; 17 items, 1913-[40].

- Ms 33,884 (1) Bundle of wills and codicils of Charles, 5th Earl, including 3 letters, one copy reply letter from Warrens to the Earl, 11<sup>th</sup> Enniskillens, Seaford, records in detail the position of his estate if he should die, dated 30 July 1915; 14 items. 1913-15, 1921
- Ms 33,884 (2) Wills of Charles, 5th Earl in which he leaves his property to nephews Horace Renshaw and Charles Richard Strutt respectively; 2 items. 1926, 1934
- Ms 33,884 (3) Typed notes on Charles, 5th Earl's will in which he leaves all his property in trust for Harry Graham, son of Audrey Graham. Includes references to Rosapenna Hotel; 2 sheets.

  n.d.

#### XI.iv.2. Grants of Power of Attorney (Ms 33,885)

2 grants of power of attorney to Lady Leitrim and Cuthbert Peek Philpott; 19 items, 1915-36.

- Ms 33,885 (1) Power of attorney from Charles, 5th Earl to Lady Leitrim; 1 item. 25 Sept 1915
- Ms 33,885 (2) Bundle of draft legal papers and correspondence relating to Charles, 5th Earl granting power of attorney, 20 Jan 1936, to C.P. Philpott, Ferry Rd, Southwold, Suffolk while he was away on a cruise; 18 items. 1935-6

# XI.iv.3. Arthur Renshaw's Will Trust (Ms 33,886)

Ms 33,886

Letters and other items relating to Arthur Renshaw's Will Trust [he died 25 Dec 1918] of which Charles, 5th Earl was a trustee. Letters to Charles, 5th Earl and Warrens from Trinder, Capron, Kekewich and Co [solicitors] acting on Lady Winifred Renshaw's behalf. They concern: a proposal to let the stables of 37 Portman Sq, London [Lady Winifred's home] in 1921; the sale of Watlington Park and 306 acres in Oxford to the Hon Oliver Sylvain Baliol Brett for £28,000 in 1921; the sale of 37 Portman Sq to become the Japanese Embassy (for £10,750) in 1922 and the retirement of Charles, 5th Earl as trustee [see also Ms 33,858]; c. 30 sheets.

1921-3

#### **XI.iv.4.** Map (Ms 33,887)

Ms 33,887

Map of Hursley estate, Hants, near Sparsholt, scale 6 inch = 1 mile, size 86 x 98 cms; 1 item. n.d. [early 20<sup>th</sup> cent]

#### XI.v. Lady Leitrim 1919-46 (Ms 33,888)

This subsection relates to: a loan made to Charles, 5th Earl by Lady Leitrim to help him buy Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent; the Earl's attempts to initiate divorce proceedings in France 1927; the agreement reached in 1932 with regard to permanent maintenance and the return of various items, in which Lady Leitrim held a life interest to Charles, 5th Earl, after her death at Bricket House, St. Albans on 9 July 1943; c. 130 items.

# (XI.v. Lady Leitrim 1919-46)

- Ms 33,888 (1) Letter from Lady Leitrim, 60a Cadogan [Gardens], London asking Warrens to look up the lease of the house, as snow had caused holes in the roof; 1 item.

  14 June 1919
- Ms 33,888 (2) Attested copy of a charge, further charge and consent Charles, 5th Earl to Lady Leitrim, whereby Lady Leitrim agreed to lend Charles, 5th Earl sums of money not exceeding £5,000 and to his borrowing £3,900 from the Equitable Life Assurance Society. Includes a note on the front which records the repayment of £5,200 to Lady Leitrim out of the sale of Court Lodge Farm, Teston in Jan 1925; 1 item.
- Ms 33,888 (3) Letters from Lady Leitrim 'showing that Lord Leitrim's charge to her is paid off' [see Ms 33,878]; 3 items.

  Jan Apr 1925
- Ms 33,888 (4) Correspondence between Warrens and Charles, 5th Earl, Lady Leitrim and Burch and Co, solicitors representing Lady Leitrim, mainly relating to Lady Leitrim's income, sale of the contents of Mulroy and the efforts of Charles, 5th Earl to initiate divorce proceedings in France. In a letter to Warrens, dated 18 Dec 1925, Lady Leitrim [at Sedgwick Park, Horsham] writes '... I cannot help feeling rather relieved that the scheme for building in London has not gone on, I did not feel it w[oul]d be the same big success as Teston.' [see Ms 33,879] Includes a petition for divorce presented at the Palace of Justice in Nice on 11 Apr 1927. W. G.F. Nelson of Burch and Co, wrote to Bertram Warren on 26 May 1927 '... I am afraid that Lord Leitrim is converting what he calls a comedy into what may be a tragedy, particularly if he attempts to remarry and has a son ...'; c. 45 sheets.
- Ms 33,888 (5) Correspondence between Warrens and Taylor and Humbert, 4 Field Court, Gray's Inn, London, Charles, 5th Earl and Field and Roscoe, solicitors to Lady Leitrim relating to the Leitrim separation [see also Ms 33,869 (10)]. Includes letter and circular from Arrow's Detective Agency, Roll's Chambers, 89 Chancery Lane, London; 13 sheets. 1930-1
- Ms 33,888 (6) Copy marriage settlement Charles, 5th Earl and Violet Lina Henderson; 1 item. 20 Oct 1902

#### (XI.v. Lady Leitrim 1919-46)

Ms 33,888 (7) Epitome of Donegal settlement and notes in J.D. Kerr's handwriting c. 1939' 2 items.

Bundle (8-9) of copy legal papers and correspondence relating to the effect of Lady Leitrim's death [July 1943] on agreements she made with Charles, 5th Earl at the time of their divorce. She had obtained a divorce 'decree nisi' from Charles, 5th Earl on 18 Dec 1931 and they signed deeds regarding their marriage settlement and permanent maintenance on 27 June 1932. The correspondence relates to the financial effects of these deeds on Charles, 5th Earl and the return of various household goods, in which Lady Leitrim held a life interest.

- Ms 33,888 (8) Copy deed 'varying the trusts of the personalty settlement dated 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 1902' and copies of the deed of permanent maintenance, both deeds dated 27 June 1932, includes some copy notes G.W. Gotto to [B.R.] Warren, July 1943; 8 items. 1932, 1943
- Ms 33,888 (9) Correspondence between Warrens and Gamlen, Bowerman and Forward, 4 and 5 Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn, London, solicitors for Lady Leitrim's executors; Field Roscoe and Co; Coutts and Co; A.J. Savage and Co Ltd, Albion Rd, Horsham, removers and storers; Charles, 5th Earl; c. 55 pp. 1943-6

#### **XI.vi.** Sir Charles Stewart 1929-32 (Ms 33,889)

Charles John Stewart was born in 1851, the fourth son of John Vandeleur Stewart of Rock Hill, Co. Donegal. He became a barrister at law, a Public Trusteee 1907-19 and was created K.B.E. in 1918. He lived at 32 Eccleston Sq, London and died in 1932. He was a trustee of the will of Robert, 4th Earl and of the Donegal Settlement of Charles, 5th Earl.

Ms 33,889 Correspondence from Warrens to Sir C. Stewart, found among his effects by his daughter Eirene M. Ritchie, 24 Eccleston Sq, London, includes 3 other letters from the Bank of Scotland, Trinder Kerewich and Co, Osborne and Co. The letters relate to the various trusts and the Renshaw marriage settlement; 25 sheets.

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#### **APPENDICES**

# **Appendix 1:** List of correspondents' addresses from the Solicitors' Papers.

# Solicitors, England

Burch and Co, 6 Bolton St, Piccadilly, London (Lady Leitrim 1927)

Bury and Walkers, Barnsley, Yorkshire (Dowager Countess & Commander and Lady Kathleen Studd)

Colthurst, Van Sommer and others, 13 New Inn, London Van Sommer, and Elers, Talbot House, 9 Arundel St, Strand, London Van Sommer, Chillcott and Kitkat, Talbot House (Henry Vivian)

Farrer and Co, 66 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London (trustees of marriage settlement 1870)

Field, Roscoe and Co, 36 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, 1940 (Lady Leitrim)

Garland Wells and Co, Donington House, Norfolk St, Strand, London (Marshall Andrew)

Linklaters and Paines, 21 Great St Helens, London (R.J. Strutt, 4<sup>th</sup> Baron Rayleigh)

Murray, Hutchins, Stirling and Murray, 11 Birchin Lane, London 1902 (Hendersons)

Renshaw, Kakewich and Smith, 2 Suffolk Lane, Canon St, London Trinder, Kakewich and Co Young, Jones and Co (Arthur and Lady Winifred Renshaw)

Shaen, Roscoe, Massey and Co, 8 Bedford Row, London (Charles F. and Lady Maude Roundell)

Young, Jackson, Beard and King, 12 Essex St, Strand, London, 1918 and at 2 Old Burlington St, Burlington Gardens, London, 1939 (trustees of Lady Emily Harper's marriage settlement)

#### Solicitors, Ireland

Beauchamp and Orr, 5 Foster Place, Dublin (Col H.T. Clements 1879 and Newtown Gore estate)

John Faris, Ulster Chambers, 9 Dame St, Dublin (Sydney, 3rd Earl)

Samuel Jones, Church St, Cavan (Lady Selina Lyndon 1912)

George Murray McGusty, 110 Grafton St, Dublin, 1892 (Sydney, 3rd Earl and Col H.T. Clements 1878)

Thomas Tighe Mecredy and Sons, 28 Westmoreland St, Dublin (John Madden)

Osborne and Co, Milford, Co. Donegal (Donegal Estates)

John R. Peart, 38 St Stephen's Green, Dublin (Irish Land Commission)

S.S. and E. Reeves and Sons, 51 Merrion Sq East, Dublin, 1892 (Robert, 4th Earl)

#### **Stockbrokers**

Rose, Van Cutsem and Co, 14 Copthall Ave, London

Rowe and Pitman, Pinner's Hall, Austin Friars, London Rowe and Pitman, 43 Bishopsgate, London, 1940s

J. and A. Scrimgeour, Hatton Court, Threadneedle St, London, 1919

J. and A. Scrimgeour, 6 Austin Friars, London, 1923

A. Scrimgeour, 3 Lothbury, London, 1930s

#### **Bankers**

Coutts and Co, 59 Strand (1892) and 440 Strand, London<sup>5</sup> (Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, Sydney, 3rd Earl, Robert, 4th Earl and Charles, 5th Earl)

#### **Chartered accountants**

J. Dix Lewis, Caesar and Co, Kennan's House, Crown Court, Cheapside, London Lewis, Caesar, Duncan and Co, 112-114 Cannon St, London

Stewart Blacker Quin, Knox and Co, 34 Donegal Place, Belfast

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Coutts were bankers to the Earls of Leitrim from the early 1820s, see Sir John Ainsworth's *Report on Private Collections No 527*, letter from Nathaniel 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl to Austin Cooper '... apply again to Coutts for a renewal of my credit ...' 9 March 1821.

#### **Land Agents**

George James Robinson, Ballinahinch Castle, Co. Galway, Rosshill estate (Sydney, 3rd Earl)

John Arthur Fraser, Frasrona, Finaghy, Belfast and Leitrim Estates Office, Mulroy, Co. Donegal, Donegal estates (Charles, 5th Earl)

J.R. Stewart and Sons, 6 Leinster Place, Dublin, Newtown Gore estate (Sydney, 3rd Earl, Robert, 4th Earl and Charles, 5th Earl)

#### **Others**

Estate Duty Office, St George's Hotel, Llandudno, Caernanvonshire, Wales

Equitable Life Assurance Society, Mansion House St, London 1910 19 Coleman St, London 1930

Treasury Solicitor, Storey's Gate, St James Park, London (Irish Grants Committee)

# **Trustees of the Marriage Settlement Trust** (\*= original trustee)

\*Viscount Coke, later 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Leicester, Holkham Hall, Norfolk

\*Ynyr Henry Burges, Parkenaur, Dungannon, Co. Tyrone (died 1908)

Vernon Austen Malcolmson, a partner in J. and A. Scrimgeour, stock brokers, Aston Bury, Stevenage,

# **Trustees of the Will Trust**

\*Charles John Stewart, later Sir Charles, 10 Eaton Terrace, London, 1892 (died 1932) 32 Eccleston Sq, London, 1899

\*Lloyd Neville Vaughan, Lord Mostyn, Mostyn Hall, Flintshire (died 1929)

Christopher Foulis Roundell, Shawford Park , near Winchester, Hants, 1920s 15 Sussex Sq, London, 1930s Dorfold Hall, Nantwich, Cheshire, 1940s Ministry of Health, Whitehall, London, 1941

Richard Granville Studd, 66 Great Cumberland Place, London H.M.S. Excellent, Portsmouth, 1940 Manor Farm House, Shillingstone, Dorset, 1940s

# **Trustees of the Donegal Settlement**

\*Arthur H. Renshaw, 37 Portman Sq, London (died 1918)

\*Sir Charles J. Stewart, 32 Eccleston Sq, London (died 1932)

Richard Preston Graham Vivian, The Stone House, Balcombe, Sussex, 1930s Crofthead, Longtown, Cumberland 1940s Wealden House, Warninglid, Sussex 1950s

Michael Renshaw, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut RASC, Officers' Mess, Granville Hotel, Ramsgate, Kent 1940 and other addresses

# **Family Members**

Robert, 4th Earl, Preston Montford, Shrewsbury, Salop 1878, 40 Portman Sq, London

Charles, 5th Earl, 8 Great Cumberland Place, London

60a Cadogan Sq, London
The Carlton Club, London
Court Lodge Farm, Teston, Kent
Rosapenna Hotel, Co. Donegal
Mulroy House, Co. Donegal

Dowager Countess, Eggesford House, North Devon, 1907 Selwyn House, Eastbourne 1910

Amelia Clements, Ongar Hill, Weybridge, 1870 Woodfield, Norwood, Surrey 1871

Charles Skeffington Clements, 44 Grosvenor St, London, 1870s

Lady Elizabeth Victoire Clements, 44 Grosvenor St, London

Lady Anne Cosserat, Inglenook, Torwood Gardens, Torquay 1912

Lady Louisa Hamilton, Craythorn, Burton on Trent 1912

Lady Emily Harper, Hillside Cottage, Rusthall, Tunbridge Wells, Kent 1918

John Madden, Hilton Park, Clones, Co. Monaghan

Lady Winifred Renshaw, Stayer House, Eye, Suffolk 1940

# Appendix 2: Short extracts from Sydney, 3rd Earl's letters 1873-8

The following short extracts illustrate the content of Sydney, 3rd Earl's letters to Robert Clements [4<sup>th</sup> Earl] and his wife Lady Winifred, see Ms 33,849.

# 31 July 1873

'... When at a former period I thought that I should have the benefit of your services to assist me in the management of my Donegal estates, I connected the performance of those services with a residence at Manor Vaughan but I never contemplated your going there except in connection with services to be rendered to me. Matters have materially changed since that time in many respects.

I have had £1,588 taken from me, with the prospect of other serious losses. I regard my estates as a burden too heavy to bear and I wish to dispose of them.....I am sorry to say that here in this house [Killadoon] it will be hardly desirable to bring a Bride [Robert Clements married Winifred Coke on 2 Sept 1873], my steward has broken his leg and is in bed .... Ireland is no long a country that it is desirable to live in or to have any property in'.

#### 15 Feb 1874

With regard to John Madden loosing his election in Co. Monaghan

'... I cannot conceive a man putting himself willingly in to [so] very awkward a position himself holding strong Protestant opinion and throwing himself on the R[oman] C[atholic]s for their support ...'

#### 24 Oct 1875

'... Caroline Madden and Anne Murray [his nieces] have been with me the former for about a week. I have also been to Hilton Park and seen the improvements to the house ...'.

#### 16 Nov 1875

'...Gertrude Clements who is very busy in working out the pedigree of our ancestors has found out that a certain Anne Clements was the grandmother of Mr. William Sidney and to the Earls of Leicester of those days [who] were descended from the Clements...'.

#### 20 Nov 1875

In relation to the baptism of one of their children he writes '... in addition to your poetical Hilda I may suggest that you introduce the word Mary after Robert's grandmother ...'[Mary Bermingham].

#### 20 Feb 1878

'... If your mind is so mixed up between taking a farm of 80 acres and going abroad to amuse yourself... it must be in a rather chotic[sic] condition ... Can you tell me where Powerscourt is at present, is he in Ireland or has he gone to help Gladstone ...'[Lady Winifred's sister Julia was married to Mervyn Wingfield, 7<sup>th</sup> Viscount Powerscourt].

# <u>Appendix 3</u>: Other Leitrim/Clements Papers that have already been given Mss nos in NLI

(the papers are all listed in Richard Hayes *Manuscript Sources for the History of Irish Civilization* 1965 and *Supplement* 1979)

# **Manuscripts**

Mss 179-80: 2 rentals of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl's estates in Cos Leitrim and Sligo 1844 and 1854 [acquired from Col H.T.W. Clements of Killadoon per J.R. Stewart and Sons, 6 Leinster St, Dublin in June 1955]

# Mss 3,026-30 [formerly PC 88]

Mss 3,026-9: 4 vols giving detailed weekly labour returns on Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl's and Sydney, 3rd Earl's Lough Rynn estate including daily observations on the weather, Apr 1838-Nov 1846, Nov 1846-Dec 1848, Nov 1851-Nov 1854, Nov 1857-Nov 1860. Ms 3,030: sale rental of the Woodford [Newtown Gore] estate, Co Leitrim of Col Henry John Clements of Ashfield Lodge 1811 and book of 11 manuscript maps of the Woodford estate of Robert C. Clements in the barony of Carrigallen, Co Leitrim, surveyed by John Hill, 1815.

# Mss 3,802-32 Leitrim Papers: [PC 156]

Ms3,802: rental of the Donegal estates of Sydney, 3rd Earl 1856.

Mss 3,803-12: 10 rentals of estates of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl and Sydney, 3rd Earl in Cos Leitrim and Sligo 1853, 1856-7, 1862 and 1864-9.

Mss 3,813-15: 3 rentals of Sydney, 3rd Earl's Rosshill estate, Co. Galway 1866-9.

Mss 3,816-28: 12 rent account books detailing accounts between Robert Clotworthy Clements and Austin Cooper for rent of the Woodford estate 1812-28 and Beihy 1821-4. Ms 3,829: observations of Lord Clements [Robert B.] on the state of his tenants' holdings in various townland of Co. Leitrim and his directions as to how they should be dealt with, 1838.

Ms 3,830: list of freeholders and other voters in Co. Leitrim arranged alphabetically by barony, early 19<sup>th</sup> cent.

Ms 3,831: poor rate collection book for Manorhamilton Union June 1855.

Ms 3,832: personal account book of Lord Clements [Sydney, 3rd Earl] 1832-54.

Ms 4,138: [PC 88] Rental of the Co. Leitrim estates of Col Henry T. Clements 1882

**Ms 5,042:** Diary of Francis Alcorn, steward to Sydney, 3rd Earl in respect of his estate in Co. Donegal 1878.

**Mss 5,175-8:** Rentals of the estate of Sydney, 3rd Earl in barony of Kilmacrenan, Co Donegal c. 1858-69.

**Mss 5,728-33:** Rentals of the estate of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl and Sydney, 3rd Earl in Co. Leitrim 1838-41, c. 1853, c. 1859, c. 1860 and 1868.

Mss 5,790-805 [PC 156]

Mss 5,790-2: rent ledgers of the Newtown Gore estate of Sydney, 3rd Earl 1854-69.

Ms 5,793: sheep stock account book of Sydney, 3rd Earl's estate at Rosshill, Co. Galway 1857-60 [relates to Co Galway not Co Leitrim as described in Hayes].

Mss 5,794-802: rent ledgers of the estates of Sydney, 3rd Earl in parishes of Mohill and Cloone 1855-69.

Mss 5,803-5: rentals of estates of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl in Co. Leitrim 1842-55.

**Ms 8,806:** Account of expenses attending the sale of cattle for Sydney, 3rd Earl with his observations, as well as a letter relating to Ballymichael National School, Co Donegal 1864-5.

**Ms 8,860:** Photostat copies of receipts, one for rent and another for rates, in respect of estates of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl at Keelrin, Co. Leitrim 1842 and 1849.

**Ms 9,121:** Clements Papers: Marriage settlement of Sir St George Gore St George [5<sup>th</sup> Bart] of Dublin and Alice Burton of Buncraggy, Co. Clare 1743.

# Mss 9,621-8: Clements Papers:

Ms 9,621: copy will of Nathaniel Clements 1777.

Ms 9,622: labour book of estate of Clements family of Ashfield Lodge Apr-Sept 1843.

Ms 9,623: copy marriage settlement of Henry Theophilus Clements & Mary Webb 1770.

Ms 9,624: ledger of the Clements family of Ashfield, Co. Cavan 1782-97.

Ms 9,625: cash book of the Clements family of Ashfield Lodge 1804-8.

Ms 9,626: cash book of Col Henry J. Clements of Ashfield Lodge 1812-15.

Ms 9,627 survey of part of estates of James Stewart, near Cookstown, Co Tyrone 1767.

Ms 9628: list of freeholders in the barony of Mohill, Co. Leitrim c.1807.

**Ms 9,818** Clements Papers: House account book of the Clements family of Ashfield Lodge, Co. Cavan 1791-1800.

**Mss 9,925-9** Leitrim Papers: [part of a collection of estate and family papers which came to NLI in 1960 (Acc. No. 2129), mainly relating to the families of Aylmer, Brodigan and Lynch of Co. Louth and Co. Meath. [Alice Caroline Burges married Col Francis Brodigan, Piltown House, Drogheda, Co. Louth in 1877].

Ms 9,925: Journal of a visit to Paris 1815-16 by Lady Caroline Clements [3<sup>rd</sup> daughter of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl. She married John Ynyr Burges.

Ms 9,926: commonplace book of Lady Caroline Clements c. 1821.

Ms 9,927 Leitrim Papers: copy will and 11 codicils of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl 1821-54.

Mss 9,928-9 Leitrim Papers: 2 recipe books c. 1775-1850 and c.1800-75.

#### **Mss 12,787-812** Leitrim Papers:

Ms 12,787: rental and account of estate of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl in Co. Leitrim 1837-42. Ms 12,788: population return of the parishes of Cloone and Mohill, Co. Leitrim on Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl's estate 1831.

Ms 12,789: rentroll of Robert 1<sup>st</sup> Earl's estate in the barony of Mohill, Co. Leitrim. Mss 12,790-804: 15 notebooks of accounts for rent on Robert 1<sup>st</sup> Earl and Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl estate in the barony of Mohill, 1800, 1810-12, 1814, 18116, 1818, 1820, 1822 and 1824-9.

Mss 12,805-7: 3 notebooks of accounts for rent on Robert Clotworthy Clements' Beihy estate 1812, 1818 and 1821.

Ms 12,808: Clements Papers: cash book of Col Henry J. Clements of Ashfield Lodge, detailing domestic expenditure 1811-13.

Ms 12,809: rental of Co. Leitrim estate of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl in barony of Mohill and parish of Cloone 1842-3.

Mss 12,810-12: rentals of estates of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl in Cos Leitrim and Sligo 1844-5, 1845-6, 1847-8.

**Ms 13,140:** Papers collected by J.C.T. MacDonagh, including letters to Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, mainly 1854.

**Mss 13,339:** Papers on the administration of Sydney, 3rd Earl's estates in Co Donegal 1864-6, including accounts, letters from the Earl and weekly reports of agents, mainly from the Milford estate.

**Ms 14,298:** Clements Papers: copy letter book of Robert Bermingham Clements, Viscount Clements Jan-Dec 1838.

Ms 16,883: Rental of Sydney, 3rd Earl's Manor Vaughan estate, Co Donegal [c. 1870?].

**Mss 16,977-84:** Rentals of estates of the representatives of Robert 1<sup>st</sup> Earl and Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl in the Mohill and Manorhamilton areas of Co. Leitrim 1829-36,

Mss 21,753: 2 letters from Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl to George B. West of Drumdarken, Co. Louth and associated Letters 1838-40, also 8 letters from Viscount Clements [Sydney, 3rd Earl] to West with mention of agrarian crimes and assassination attempt on him 1846-61.

# **Deeds**

**D. 18,815:** Lease by Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl to Simon Armstrong of the lands of Tawney, Co.Leitrim 17 Dec 1830.

#### Maps

**14 A.16:** Book containing 33 maps of the estates of Nathaniel Clements in the parishes of Mohill and Cloone, Co. Leitrim by W. Wogan. Also a map of Beihy by Richard Frizell, Dec 1776. Folio vol 1750.

- **14 A.17:** Book of 70 manuscript maps of sundry denominations in the barony of Kilmacrenan, Co. Donegal, the estate of Robert Clements, surveyed by David McCool 1779.
- **15 B.24:** A vol of 44 maps and surveys of the manor of Ashfield in the barony of Tullygarvey, Co Cavan by various surveryors 1775-1844.
- **16 F.11:** Folio vol of 30 manuscript maps of Manorhamilton etc in the county of Leitrim, the estate of Nathaniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Earl, surveyed by W. Larkin 1807.
- **16 G.42 (20):** Map of that part of Ballydowde, lately taken by Col Robert (sic) H.T. Clements in the barony of Newcastle, Co. Dublin, surveyed by W. Cox. Oblong sheet Apr 1778.
- **16 M.10 (1-30):** Maps and plans of the estates of Sir Ralph Gore [6<sup>th</sup> Bart] and of the Earls of Leitrim in and around the town of Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim, by various surveyors. Folio vol with 29 maps 1747-1874. [Acquired from Col H.T.W. Clements, Killadoon per J.R. Stewart and Sons, June 1955, see Mss 179-80]

#### Microfilms

**N.4581, P.4547:** Clements Papers: Anonymous diary of military operations in North America 1757-8. The writer may be H.T. Clements Lt Col of 69<sup>th</sup> Regt. Together with an apothecary's bill from Samuel Despaignoll and Co to [Gustavus?] Hamilton 1740 and a letter from Capt John [Marcus] Clements at Le Saca near San Sebastian to his brother Col Henry J. Clements 1813.

**N.4396, P.4067:** Clements Papers: Anonymous diary of operations [of Col H.T. Clements] in the Ticonderoga campaign, North America c. 1758 and letters addressed to Col Henry J. Clements of Ashfield Lodge, mostly early 19<sup>th</sup> cent.

**N.3805**, **P.3476**: Correspondence of Henry Theophilus Clements c. 1780-5.