

Troy, Family Papers B, in envelope (1780)

24. (1780)

A letter from James Alexander, Dublin, to Colonel Goddard, Commander-in- Chief, Bombay. He congratulates him on his promotion as C.-in- C. The bearer of this note, James Troy, has been highly recommended to Alexander "by men of the first rank". He asks the C.-in-C. to protect and forward him.

Date: 9 May 1780.

I most sincerely etc,

25. (1781)

A letter from Henry Luttrell, The Hermitage, to James Troy, Bombay.

He wrote to Sir J. Burgoyne before the latter left London, recommending James Troy to his favour and protection; he tells what he said in the letter.

Date: 4 February 1781.

Before Sir John etc.

26. (1781)

(On reverse of preceding) Copy of Henry Luttrell's letter to Sir John Burgoyne; he recommends James Troy, a neighbour of his, of very good character and of business ability.

Date: ?- February 1781.

If a Mr etc.

27. (1781?)

A list, in James Troy's hand, of directors of the East India Company with their London addresses.

Date: 1781 ?.

Directors of the etc.

28. (1784)

A copy of a letter (unsigned) in James Troy's hand, to General Sir John Burgoyne. Writing from Pondicherry he complains of the harsh words B. used to him, today despite all his (T.'s) efforts to please him and be respectful towards him. He thanks him for past favours, but, to avoid cause for a second rebuke he asks permission to return to Madras.

Date: 24 January 1784.

I hope you etc.

29. (1784)

(On same paper as preceding) Same to same, writing from Madras, he regrets that he cannot any longer reside under Burgoyne's roof, since B. uses such expressions towards him of late. He appreciates General Luttrell's having recommended him and is grateful for the appointment Burgoyne conferred on him, but he cannot any longer submit to B.'s repeated behaviour towards him. While he finds himself obliged to leave he nevertheless acknowledges B's previous civilities to him which he hopes to

return sometime. He will call at Burgoyne's house tomorrow to return the order papers left in his (T's) charge, also the General's sundry dispatches to England; he hopes these are all found in good order. He intends to go to Bengal at the first opportunity; if there is anything he can do for B. there he will be pleased to oblige.

Date: 27 February 1784. (At the end December 1784 is written in a different hand and with different ink.)

I regret exceedingly etc.

30. (1787)

A letter signed Null (Hull/Neill ?) to an unnamed General, recommending James Troy whose brother, introduced to the General by Mr Birch, has been very kind to the writer.

Date: 8 March 1787.

A brother of the etc.

31. (1788)

A letter from Mrs Jane O'Brien, Dublin, to Major-General Meadows, Bombay; she is not personally acquainted with the bearer of this letter but she and her husband are very obliged to his brother, Dr Troy. Lieutenant Troy with the East India Company since 1781 is now at Surat and wishes to be appointed to Garrison Quarter-Master or, if that post is filled, to any other post the Major-General may judge him qualified for. Any service rendered to Lieutenant Troy, Mr and Mrs O'Brien will regard as done to themselves.

Date: 15 January 1788.

At a time when etc.

32. (1788)

A letter from William Latouche, Dublin, to George Green and Council at Bombay; he introduces Lieutenant Troy of the military establishment who is of excellent character and asks that he be assisted in any way possible.

Date: 19 February 1788.

At the request etc.

33. (...)

A copy of a poem entitled SERENADE and addressed to someone named Isabel, (perhaps in James Troy's hand)

Undated.

Wake, dearest, wake etc.

34. (1793)

Two copies of the Will of James Troy (who died in Bombay 23 July 1793) with legal documents proving that these are authentic copies; the attestations are dated 1797 and 1798.

In the Name etc.

35. (1797)

Account of the sale of Captain James Troy's effects.

Date: 9 February 1797

Account of the etc.

36. (1797)

Two copies (on same paper but in different hands) of a letter to Messrs Raikes. London from John and Walter Troy, They forward papers for dispatch to Adamson, Bombay whom they have authorised to look after their deceased brother's affairs there. A mutual friend (of Raikes and Troys) Eyle Irvine, recommended Messrs Raikes to them. Mr Adamson has been instructed to receive Captain Troy's property and remit it to Messrs Raikes for J. and W. Troy.

Date: 17 January 1797.

The annexed papers etc.

37. (1798)

A letter from Messrs Raikes to J. & W. Troy. They are forwarding the duplicates and papers sent by the Troys to Mr Adamson with another covering letter from themselves.

Date: 8 February 1798.

We are favoured etc.

38. (1798)

Same to same. They forwarded further documents to Bombay to enable Mr. Adamson to recover Captain Troy's property; as more ships now sail to India they request more duplicates which they will forward by a different ship to ensure their arrival,

Date: 23 December 1798.

We are this etc.

39. (1799)

A copy of a letter from Mr Gosling, Bombay, to J. Troy. A Mr Cherry of Surat was one of Captain Troy's executors but, due to the death of his eldest son, Mr Cherry cannot write just now. His father asked Mr Gosling to write to the Troy family to enquire what they wished done re certain bequests, especially the annuity to Miss Dorinda Byrne. Enclosed they will find a packet with the will and other documents concerning Captain Troy's estate.

Date: 23 July 1799.

The enclosed packet etc.

40. (1799)

A copy, in Dr Troy's hand, of a letter from J. and W. Troy to A. Adamson, Bombay. They received his letters, but did not hear from Mr Cherry, one of the executors of their brother's will. They ask to be informed of the obstacles to the settlement of Captain Troy's affairs; they rely fully on Adamson, authorise him to act for them and are sending him a power of attorney; they are disappointed at not having received a copy of the will and they hope that the Mr. Cherry mentioned in the press, as having been murdered, is not their brother's friend.

Date: 25 July 1799

We are honoured etc.

41. (1799)

(On same paper as 40) A copy, in Dr Troy's hand, of a letter from J. and T. Troy to Messrs Raikes. They received Adamson's letter and enclose one for him; they will forward duplicates when they hear from Eyles Irvine.

Date: 25 July 1799.

We have received etc.

42. (1799)

Same to same. A draft and a copy of a letter enclosing a letter for John H. Cherry, one of the executors of their brother's will, and another to A. Adamson, Bombay, authorizing him to act for them; the enclosures are open for Messrs Raikes' inspection; Eyles Irvine is bringing them to London. They ask Raikes to urge Adamson to comply with their requests.

Date: 9 August 1799.

We had the etc.

43. (1799)

A letter from Messrs Raikes to J. and W. Troy. They note that Dr Troy has heard from Mr Cherry regarding Captain Troy's affairs so it will not now be necessary to forward the enclosure (mentioned in 42 above) but they had posted it. Dr Troy should write fresh letters to counteract contents of the former ones.

Date: 31 August 1799.

We this day etc.

44. (1800)

Same to same. They received Dr Troy's letter and are forwarding same to Adamson, together with one from themselves recommending Dr Troy's interests. Date: 4 January 1800.

We have received etc.

45. (1801)

A Bill of Exchange for J. and W. Troy from A. Adamson, Bombay.

Date: 31 March 1801.

Exchange for £3229 etc.

46. (1801)

Account and receipt, A. Adamson to J. and V. Troy. 25847 rupees.

47. (1801)

A letter from Messrs Raikes to J. and W. Troy. They enclose Adamson's letter; the delay in sending the remittance was due to the difficulty of procuring eligible in England; because of so many recent financial houses failing Adamson was cautious.

Date: 12 April 1801.

We beg leave etc.

48. (1801)

Same to same. They send on 46 above; they received the Bill of Exchange (45 above) and sent it to Scott's financial house for acceptance and clearance and expect that it will be immediately honoured. They will deduct their own commission

of 2% £64. 12s. If the Troys want moneys advanced after the Bill is accepted they are to notify Raikes.

Date: 4 November 1801.

We have now etc.

49. (1801)

Same to same. They received Dr Troy's letter and will send the advance he asked for on the expiral of the usual 21 days notice. They enclose the duplicate sent by Mr Adamson and ask that it be endorsed and returned next post. If a further advance is needed J. and W. Troy are to inform Messrs Raikes.

Date: 13 November 1801.

We are this etc.

50. (1801)

A draft of a letter from J. and W. Troy to A. Adamson. They received his letters in triplicate and duplicate and Raikes has advised them of the Bill of Exchange sent to Scotts Bankers. This concludes the business regarding their brother's estate and they thank him for the excellent manner with which he handled it. They expect the box of trinkets given to Mr Adamson by Mr Cherry, also the shawls and the fans. As to the latter, the ladies of the Troy family, on account of the trouble sending them, decline them and join J. and W. Troy in their thanks to Mr Adamson; they also thank Mr Cherry and Major Bailie for so faithfully and honourably discharging the trust placed in them by their friend, Captain Troy.

Date: 27 December 1801.

We have received etc.

51. (1802)

A letter from Messrs Raikes to J. & W. Troy. They thank them for the letter with the extract from Adamson's letter. They (Raikes) will look after the things being sent on the Shelton Castle. Today there is news that Scotts the Bankers have stopped payments owing to the sudden death of the principal partner; an advertisement in one paper announced a closure for a short time to investigate the accounts. Things may be all right but Raikes must inform the Troys that the partner in question committed suicide.

Date: 16 February 1802.

We had the etc.

52. (1802)

Same to same. Raikes are happy to state that all is well at Scotts and payments are being resumed new. They trust that the house will continue solvent.

Date: 20 February 1802.

We thought it etc.

53. (1802)

A letter from R. McDonnell to Dr Troy. Scotts & gave public notice that they are continuing payment; the Inspectors say that Scotts are not only solvent but have a large surplus.

Date: 24 February 1802.

I feel very etc.

54. (1802)

A Bill of Exchange from A. Adamson, Bombay for J. and W. Troy.

Date: 7 May 1802.

Exchange for £375 etc.

55. (1802)

A letter from Raikes to J.& W. Troy, They enquired at India House for the box expected by the Skelton Castle; it is not yet cleared by Customs but they left a Memo there and will advise the Troys when it is released. Scotts paid the £3229; the £2113 due to the Troys (£1000 already advanced) is at Raikes and will be held pending instructions.

Date: 8 May 1802.

We received in etc.

56. (1802)

A letter (in triplicate) from Mr Adamson to J.& W. Troy, Mr Cherry paid him on account of Captain Troy's estate £375 odd which he has forwarded on Scotts , Bankers, London.

Date: 11 May 1802.

I beg leave etc.

57. (1802)

A letter from Messrs Raikes to J.& W. Troy. They received the money referred to in 56 above; he (Adamson?) left it unsealed so that the bill could be sent to Scotts, thus avoiding delay.

Date: 2 Nov, 1802.

By an overland etc.

58. (1802)

Same to same. There has been a mishap concerning the things in the Customs. They got the pistols and the trinkets, but the clerk said that the shawls were separate and went into the sale and were bought by a stranger. Raikes are insisting that he buy them back and will do all they can to retrieve them. The trinkets and pistols have been packed in a box which they will give to Mr Randall McDonnell as the Troys requested.

We yesterday received etc.

59. (1803)

A copy of a letter from Dr Troy to J.H.Cherry, Bombay. The bills, trinkets etc have all been received and all their brother's affairs except Captain Wrights account have now been fixed up. No words can express their gratitude to Mr Cherry; if ever the Troys can oblige him in any way they trust that he will let them know. Date: 17 January 1803.

We had the etc.

60. (1803)

A letter from Messrs Raikes to J.& W. Troy. There is little chance of recovering the shawls except through a lawsuit; the clerk blames the warehouse keeper, the latter the clerk. Yesterday they were told they could be bought back for £31. 5s. They were

bought for £18, so either the clerk or the warehouse keeper must pay for their negligence by making up the £13. 5s. Date: 17 February 1803.
We received in etc.

61. (1803)

Same to same. They enclose statement of account as requested (given on reverse page). They regret that the shawls have not yet been recovered but they are keeping up their efforts and hope to succeed without "having recourse to hostile measures". Date 30 April 1803.
We received in etc.

62. (1803)

Same to same. Scotts paid all moneys on the date due. The shawls are safely recovered and are of the finest quality. They will place amount of charges on the shawls against the Troy account when they know these charges; they will then let Troys know the balance of account. Date: 11 May 1803.
We had the etc.

63. (1803)

Same to same. They note the Troys' request to draw the balance of the moneys when the shawls' charge is deducted. (They state the amount). All went well re the shawls, otherwise the charge could have been £20 more. When the Troys' friend calls they will give him the shawls. Date: 7 June 1803.
We received yours etc.

64. (1829)

A letter to J. Troy, Limerick, from someone in France(signature illegible) He refers to an insurance policy for £700 taken out with a London company on a lady who has died in Arras and asks Troy to forward certain papers. He hopes the interest will support Julia and her mother. He discusses the Duke's military successes, his own sight and health, his coming journey to the Pyrenees - bad in his own carriage so he dreads the thought of what it will be in the mail coach. Date: 11 May 1829.
After a long silence etc.

N.B. A letter from Captain Troy to Dr. Troy (Dec. 1787) and one from J. Cherry to Dr. Troy (1779)...text missing.

65. (1778)

A letter from Fr MacDonagh to Dr Troy. He did all he could to dissuade Dr Blake but all to no avail; Dr B. still questions Dr Troy's powers and the wording of the Decree which he holds was not binding. Dr Troy need not expect Dr Blake to answer his letters; he will deny receiving them unless given into his hands by some third party, e.g. Dean Levins - no one else would be equal to that task. A great scandal has been created by Dr Blake and Fr Dowd both gathering Easter dues; Fr Dowd is getting the bulk of these."Things got so bad that last Sunday a common piper got on the steps of the altar to harangue and preach peace to the congregation and to ask Dr Blake and Fr Dowd to be reconciled". Dr Dan Hickey of Clogher has died. Date: 30 March 1778.
Your last favour etc.

66. (1778)

(On same paper) A copy of Dr Troy's reply to the foregoing. He sees that exhortations and threats are futile as a means of reconciliation, so he is leaving the matter to the Holy See and has written a full account of the happenings. He is shocked at the scandal in Drogheda. Date: 2 April 1778.

I clearly perceive etc.

67. (1778)

A copy of Dr Troy's reply to Dean Levins (64 above). Dr Troy's opinion coincides with Dean Levins'. As Fr Dowd has appealed to the Holy See Dr Troy is precluded from interfering further between him and the Primate. He has, however, informed Propaganda very fully about the matter and an equitable decision may be expected from that impartial tribunal. Fr Dowd would not injure himself or his cause by a submission to Dr Blake; public scandal would thus be avoided and the laity edified. Dr Troy has again written to Dr Blake advising moderation and will do his best to promote peace. Date: 1 April 1778.

Your opinion relative etc.

68. (1778)

Draft of a letter from Dr Troy to Michele Causati in reply to 54 above. He is sorry for the poor Marchesa and sends good wishes to her and her nun-sister. He is disappointed that the person he had asked to help in the case failed to do so. But there are ups and downs in all human affairs and when least expected things may take a turn for the better. The two appointments to the Cardinalate are bound to be unpopular. He heard that Dr Hervey is well received by the Pope and on some days has an audience of an hour. Things are quiet in Kilkenny. The enclosed letter for Propaganda will show what is happening in Armagh. He sends greetings to friends in Brussels and Louvain, also to the Nuncio. Date: 5 April 1776.

Non avendo cosa etc.

69. (1778)

A copy of the letter enclosed in 68: Dr Troy to Cardinal Castelli. In J a previous letter Dr Troy referred to the scandalous turbulence in Drogheda, for which he blames Dr Blake. He tells of the three letters he wrote to the Primate and the advice he gave, all of which was ignored; Dr B. holds that Dr Troy's powers do not include the question of Drogheda parish. Meanwhile Fr Dowd ignores his suspension by Dr Blake, holding that he is acting strictly according to the terms of the Decree. The people are divided; he describes the incident of the layman preaching from the altar to the congregation and to both Dr Blake and Fr Dowd. Some zealous, good Catholics have implored Dr Troy to mediate but he put them off stating that he was not now authorised and that anyway all his efforts had failed. He makes certain suggestions to Propaganda as to the action which might be taken both in regard to Fr Dowd and Dr Blake. A strong line will be needed with the latter as there are fears of a similar controversy over a parish starting in Dundalk. On all occasions Dr Troy faithfully observed the instructions he received from Rome when commissioned to make the enquiry in Armagh diocese,

Date: 6 April 1778.

Nell' ultima mia etc.

70. (1778)

A letter from the Nuncio to Dr Troy, Concerning the dissensions between Dr Blake and Fr Dowd referred to in Dr Troy's last letter even though Dr Blake refuses to withdraw his suspension of Fr Dowd, Dr Troy cannot himself suspend Dr Blake. He can absolve him from whatever irregularities he may have incurred at the time of his (Dr. Blake's) suspension by the Holy See, but all Dr Troy can do if Dr B. refuses to acknowledge his authority as Apostolic Commissioner is to refer him to Rome.

Date: 7 April 1778.

Quae a Te etc.

71. (1778)

Same to same. He encloses a Latin letter from the Holy See and an Italian addition. Rome takes it that Dr Troy is suspending Dr Blake: this he cannot do since suspension of a bishop is reserved to the Pope and none other. The Nuncio, fearing that Dr Troy may have taken some step towards this advises him to withdraw gracefully, so as not to forfeit esteem. Dr Hervey is still in Rome; at first they were taken in by his gossip "but now he is regarded for what he really is. The Nuncio regrets to hear that the Catholic cause did not succeed.

Date: 7 April 1778.

E stata fatto etc.

72. (1778)

(On reverse of 71) A copy of Dr Troy's reply to the foregoing. He is sorry that his letter to Propaganda was misinterpreted and thanks the Nuncio for his friendly warning. He never dreamt of suspending Dr Blake as he knew he was not empowered to do so, but, finding him obstinate and contemptuous of the Decree, and failing to get answers to repeated letters, he warned and threatened him and told him that a new suspension (from Rome) might be the result of his conduct. That, at least, brought a reply from him. The only result of Dr Troy's letters is that in Armagh scandals multiply daily; he is not able to remedy these and awaits instructions from the Holy See and further faculties. The English Parliament is debating in favour of the Catholics in both islands; if English Catholics obtain reliefs it is likely that the Irish will obtain the same. He is glad to hear that Dr Hervey is regarded in Rome for what he really is.

Date; 18 April 1778.

La di lei etc.

73. (1778)

A letter from Cardinal Castelli to Dr Troy. Fr Dowd is not fulfilling the conditions he undertook when he became Vicar of Drogheda parish; he refuses to pay the 100 guineas annual pension to Dr Blake; he disregards the suspension order of Dr Blake and Dr Troy's instructions. He is to tell Fr Dowd to submit within a given time; otherwise he is to be referred to Propaganda which will deal with him.

Date: 10 April 1778.

Non sine molestia etc.

74. (1778)

Same to same. He notifies Dr Troy that Dr Bellow has told the Pope that he had legitimate claims on St Nicholas Parish, Dundalk. He asks to be given £80 a year for life from that parish (Dr Bellew has just been appointed to Achonry); this is to be payable every half year - £40 an instalment – by whatever Parish Priest is there, Since Fr John Markey has been there for three years now, Dr Bellew wants £240 from him, Fr Markey is protesting and says that only half that is owing. Propaganda asks Dr Troy to find out secretly what the exact sum due is. Fr Markey should not be stubborn; if he is another parish priest can easily be found. If, however, Dr Troy thinks the sum due too much, he is to fix whatever is just.

Date: 11 April 1778.

Riserbandomi a scrivere etc.

75. (1778)

A letter from Dean Levins to Dr Troy. He regrets that Fr Dowd's appeal to Rome excludes Dr Troy from further intervention, but if Dr Troy would take up the matter officially Fr Dowd will withdraw the appeal - he acted in ignorance and in self-defence. He hopes that the Holy See will act soon, but it will not be in time to prevent scandal. "Dr Blake's Connaught piper, blessed by him, ascended the altar and harangued the Armagh clergy", he lists Fr Dowd's reasons for not submitting to Dr Blake and urges Dr Troy to take action.

Date: 12 April 1778.

It gives me etc.

76. (1778)

(On same paper as 75) Dr Troy's reply (copy) to the foregoing: as he has referred everything to Propaganda and fully informed that body of the happenings in Armagh, he cannot interfere further unless by express order from the Holy See. He has enough to do caring for his own diocese and does not wish to get embroiled again; he is sorry his efforts were so unsuccessful.

Date: 20 April 1778.

The usual hurry etc.

77. (1778)

A letter from Dean Levins to Dr Troy. Dr Blake, not content with having his piper declaim from the altar, last Sunday read a letter Cardinal Castelli wrote in 1777 condemning Fr Dowd's conduct; he told the people not to pay dues to Fr Dowd and said that Dr Troy's commission related only to his own restoration and had nothing to do with Drogheda parish. This public attacks demands that Dr Troy vindicate his own character; Dr Blake is now turning his attention to Dundalk and has withdrawn faculties from Fr Gennett (O.P.) a very able priest.

Date: 18 April 1778.

I think it my etc.

78. (1778)

(On same paper as 77) A copy of Dr Troy's reply to the foregoing. "Dr Troy regrets Dr Blake's conduct; he is sorry for him as he seems to listen to ignorant and designing counsellors. Dr Troy has made a full report to Propaganda. Dr Blake will now 'probably oppose every clause in the Decree . "I shudder at the consequences".

Date: 21 April 1778.
After sending my etc.

79. (1778)

A letter from Michele Causati, Brussels, to Dr Troy. As the Nuncio has nothing particular to say Causati is writing in his stead and enclosing letters from Propaganda. Little can be hoped for in the Marchesa of Middelbourg's affairs short of some extraordinary event happening. There is no news from Rome, except rumours of promotions, mostly speculation. Dr Hervey is still deceiving the credulous with his chatter; in time they'll realise that. All the talk is of the (American) War, though not touching these countries. All to whom Dr Troy sent greetings return him the same.

Date: 18 April 1778.
Si da l'occasione etc.

80. (1778)

A letter from Cardinal Castelli to Dr Troy.
Since Dr Troy has

81. Letter from Troy dated 1778.