

by the favour of You to hear no Application for the Shewralty of  
This County when it shall become vacant which will not be near  
these three years. To succeed Doctor Stewart in the Loan Office would  
by no means suit him as that requires the Commissioners to be almost  
constantly resident in Town & M<sup>r</sup> Wolstenholmes Business often calls  
him abroad. M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Thomas also lives in this County which  
will I am afraid put it out of my Power to serve him for some  
time. Time will not permit me to write to M<sup>r</sup> Hanbury & acknow-  
ledge the Receipt of his Letter by M<sup>r</sup> Harrison till the next Opportunity  
but You will very much oblige me by presenting my respects & making  
my Excuse to him lest he should otherwise think me negligent or  
forgetful. As this S<sup>d</sup> was pleased to write in express Terms his  
Expectations that an annual present should be made M<sup>r</sup> Wogan  
by the Judges of the Land Office I could not presume to propose  
any other means, had there been a possibility of my securing any  
other Office for that purpose as You was pleased to hint. Your  
Desire in favour of M<sup>r</sup> Harrison on acct. of his alliance I shall  
gladly comply with but as he also resides in this County I am  
entirely at a loss by what means I can as yet do it. I have  
taken this Opportunity of inclosing You Bills as heretofore for  
Your Use & Disposal, tho' I had no opportunity of securing such a  
Sum as You desired for M<sup>rs</sup> Hide when I made former Permit-  
tances yet I was unwilling to delay what You desired in respect  
to her, but I will with Your approbation repay myself the three  
Sums that I have now advanced out of the Fees that have arisen  
in the Land Office since M<sup>r</sup> Youngs Decease, & for the future  
out of any other Offices that may happen to be similarly circumstan-  
ced.

D<sup>r</sup> Sir

As the Death of Coll Plater has again left a Vacancy for a Deputy  
Secretary I doubt not Applications will be renewed to You for that  
Commission. I hope e'er this the Lett<sup>s</sup> that Col<sup>l</sup> Plater writ together  
with mine dated in March have reached You. I have sounded