



4th March 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex. D.C.

My dear Colonel.

Will you kindly
remind Mr Chichester
that I much wish to have
back Mr Atkins letter?
Since writing last I have
had enquiries from Mr
W. S. King & Co as to the
application of my process

to the drying of sea for
planters - also from her
class Jewell Head M. P. who
with his Co. Commissioners
wish to report upon its application
to drying the various products
of sewage farms & these
other visitors will shortly
be down with me to town

The letter referred to will
be of much interest -
With kind remembrances
Yours very truly
Wm A. Gibb

To Col. W. O. Gorman Ingham.

Very truly
Yours
Wm A. Gibb

but if you would, I need hardly
say we shall all be delighted
to see you - we hope you will
be down many times in the
summer when the hay season
affords a pleasant excuse for
our semi-scientific gatherings.
I have not yet had time to draw
up my ^{new} ~~former~~ specification but I
suppose I may with perfect safety
explain all its points to your friends.
They will doubtless give me parole d'honneur
not to reveal such explanation to
any detriment. Yours very truly
Wm A. Giff
Col the O'Gorman Mahon



8th March 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex. D.C.

My dear Colonel.

Nothing I shall like
better than to have the matter
searchingly investigated by
men of such large knowledge
& practical experience: in
their hands it is sure to be
a success - being just ripe
for commercial development.

Will you kindly arrange any
day you please in next
week for a visit only giving
me as long notice as possible
(in view of our slow "posts")
^{& say how many will come}
so that I may send direct

Your friends & have steam-
- up & models ready for
the trials. There is of

course no grass at this time
of year but we can saturate
some hay for the demonstration
after, show the action of the
models on various products
such as leaves - grain - vegetables
etc. Ask your friends to
come in strong thick boots
as our fields are wet despite
deep drainage - I suppose you
will not care to come at
this dreary time of year

Members to acknowledge the receipt and its correctness or otherwise.

We beg to remind you that according to Rule 4. any Member not raising an objection to the annexed statement within seven days is bound by the same.

The Annual Balance Sheet will be issued, and a General Meeting held immediately after the seven days for objections.

~~The Interest will be paid on demand any day after ten days from the above date.~~

The Board thank you for your interest and support, and has approved of this notice, and ordered it to be issued and signed by

James Pryor

Manager of the Company.

LOMBARD BUILDING SOCIETY.

ENROLLED & CERTIFIED

(AND)

PERMANENT & MUTUAL.

LOMBARD DEPOSIT BANK.

LIMITED.

Quote

N^o 88

in reply.



43 & 44 Lombard Street. E.C.

and 277 & 279 Regent Street. W.

March 10 1876

Colonel O'Mahon
Dear Sir

The Managing Directors gather from the Auditors Report that the statement hereto annexed shows your position as it appears from the Books of the Lombard Deposit Bank Limited on the 1st day of January last past.

Should the same not be correct, it is particularly requested that you will communicate with the Board at once stating the error.

As this statement is issued for the purpose of keeping an efficient check upon the Staff, the Directors request all

N^o 88

Lombard Bank Limited

Credit.

Name Colonel O. Mahon

No of Shares 10

Amount paid £5

Interest (Sanctioned by General Meeting)
12 Mos. @ 12½% Per Ann^{um}

Cash on Deposit

Interest

Previous Interest
unapplied for

Interest on do

Current Account

Interest on do

Cash advanced

do repaid

, 12 6

235

33 1/3

£

, 12 6

Lombard Building Society

Credit.

Name

~~Subscriptions on Investing Shares~~

~~Interest on do~~

~~Bonus~~

~~Previous Interest & bonus~~

~~not applied for~~

~~Interest on do~~

~~Advanced on Shares~~

~~Repayments made on do~~

~~Arrears~~

~~On Deposit~~

~~Interest on do~~

~~Previous Interest~~

~~not applied for~~

~~Interest on do~~

£

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N^o 16374

BRANCH OFFICE 277 & 279, Regent Street, W.

London, E.C. March 11 1876

Lombard Bank, Limited,

43 & 44, LOMBARD STREET.

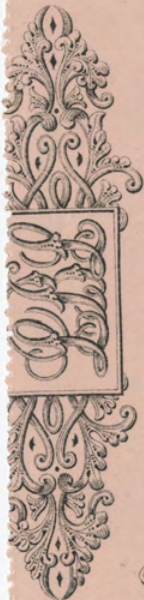
Pay Colonel O'Mahon or Order

Twelve Shillings Six Pence

£ 0 - 12 - 6

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THIS DRAFT MUST BE ENDORSED ON THE BACK BY THE PAYEE.



No 16374
301

SEARCH OFFICE 217 & 219, Market Street W.

London & Lancashire Bank, Limited
43 & 45, FOMBYARD STREET



THIS DRAFT MUST BE ENDORSED ON THE BACK BY THE PAYEE



11th March 76

Gillwell Park.

Sewardstone.

Essex. D.C.

Dear Sir -

My valued friend
Col Wm O'Gorman Mahon
tells me that you have ex-
-pressed some interest in
what he has told you
concerning my Hero's Day
machinery that you
are disposed to investigate

its capabilities by seeing
it in action here.

I need hardly say that I shall
be much gratified to receive
as distinguished a visitor
accompanied by any friend
whom you may wish to bring
or attended by your consulting
Engineers. Perhaps you

will kindly name a day &
time in next week for your
visit & tell ^{me} what number
your party will be, ^{so} that
I may have carriages to
meet you.

Yours very truly
William A. Bith.

S. Chadwick Esq. & P.
etc etc etc

to Mr Chadwick & their friends
to postpone their visit till then
If not, my Engineer's place
is only a mile from here &
we could drive down to it early
after lunch. Moreover (as you
know) I have many curious
models with which I could show
some demonstrations of this
new system that ~~would~~ ^{have} always
had a great interest for scientific
& practical men. One new
one that I carried out for



14th March 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, E.C.

My dear Colonel

You have perfectly
interpreted & expressed
my wishes to Mr Chadwick
& Co as I shall be most
sincerely pleased to have
their scientific friends
down here. if you consider

it needful will you kindly
say so to these gentlemen?
why I rather hoped that Mr
Chadwick could have named
a day in this week was
that early in next I am obliged
to let my Engineers have
the large Hay-drier down to
the works both to serve

as a model for those which
I am having built for Mr
Mitchell Henry & Sir George
also to be refitted with
the new form of monster
Hot Blast - I expect it
will be ready for action
again in a few weeks &
as the weather is now
so wretched for a visit
into the country perhaps
it will be more agreeable

the first time ~~in my memory~~⁽⁵⁾
yesterday will I think be
especially interesting & conclusive
as a basis of calculation for the
cost of the process. This I
should much like to repeat
in their presence -

Did I tell you that as a
"tour de force" we made
three loads of press into
hay on Christmas Eve -
Capital Green hay it was
too & made from press

cut on that  same morning;
my cows were
exceedingly glad to have it
for their Christmas treat.

"I think when Fox comes you
will be pleased with the
"stride-ahead" we have
taken in the simplicity &
power of the "Machine of
the Future" I was once
or twice, in my ~~vacations~~
on the point of throwing

the whole affair overboard
& giving up the investigation
because if I had not been
able to construct a more
powerful machine than the
one you saw. I would not
have staked my reputation
upon it: or let any one
else have it. Now it is

fit to "go anywhere solo.
anything."

Yours very sincerely
Wm A. Gibbs

Col. Wm O. Forman Major.

11 Pavilion Square
March 16th / 76 -

Scarboro

Dear Col^l

I cannot let this
post pass, without writ-
ing a few lines, to con-
vey my good wishes on
the present occasion:-
remembering, that last
year, I had the pleasure
of congratulating you
in person, on the anni-
versary of your birthday.
I have learnt with

source (both, both from
George) that you have
had increased trials, &
troubles, this last year;
I sincerely hope that
the worst has passed - &
that you may have
the blessing of health
granted you, & more
happiness during the
remainder of your
life — & believe

me to be
Yours very sincerely
J. M. Fernandez —

I think of returning
to Icarbis until the
early part of April —
I suppose the shippers
& passengers would safely
at their destination

and all the rest - are quite -
well - We are having very cold
weather here and so very
disagreeable - Snow, hail and
rain all together -

I must say Goodbye.
With ^{our} in which all unite -
and very best - wishes.

Believe me
Your affectionate - petite
Victoria

M. Fernandez -

G. B. de Fernandez.

Le Pavilion Sq.
Scarborough.
March 16th /76.

My dear Colonel.

Though you do not -
deserve a letter as you have
answered my last - one, still
I am good enough to write -
and wish you most - sincerely
"Very many ^{happy} returns of tomorrow"
and may St. Patrick watch
over you, and preserve
you from all evil -

I ~~am very sorry I cannot~~
Ganny and Mama wish
to sign ~~themselves~~ names
at the end of this and
hope you will accept it -
together with their best -
wishes. Aunt - Kitty wished
to do the same, but unfor-
tunately she is gone to spend
the day at - Whitley; so you
must take the ¹⁰Will for
the deed - How is it that -
you give no accounts of

yourself? What are you doing?
it seems to me that - you
must - be in a slumber -
I cannot - but - say that - you
are very ill behaved, and have
shocking manners, you are
written to, and you never
answer - Now, I expect - a letter
and kind you write - a
long and sensible one -
What is Miss Graham? and
Madame how is she?
I am glad to say Papa, Mama



18th March 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex. N.E.

My dear Colonel.

I have not heard
from Miss Chadwick yet
& so I just send a line
lest a letter may
have been sent & mis-
carried - at same time
I enclose a few ^{other} letters

recently received - if
nothing comes of this
affair will you kindly
return these with the
other papers.

With sincere regard
& many thanks for the
interest you have

taken & are taking in
this matter believe me

Very truly yours
Wm. A. Giff

To Col. W. O'Gorman Jackson

conceal from myself that
there are large opportunities
of valuable business slipping
away for lack of some
decision in this matter -
I am overworked already
obliged therefore to neglect
& refuse many promising
openings for the Patent -
With kind regards

Always yours
Wm A. Giff

Col. Wm O'Connor Mahon



21st March 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex. D.C.

My dear Colonel.

The boring machines can
be worked by portable
engines of any power
from 3 Horse. up to 10 or 12
Horse-power. & an 8 H.P.
would be a good average
for ordinary work -
they can also be worked by

fixed Engines - water wheels
or by Horses in the common
Horse. Gears which many
farmers possess -
Are Messrs Chadwick & others
friends likely to pay me a
visit within the next ten
days or fortnight. Because
if not I think I will get

a short rest at the sea.
I have been overworking my
poor brain rather too
much lately -
I should like to have a few
lines from Mr Chadwick
before I go - not committing
that Gentleman to anything
but merely to say what
form the negotiation may
possibly take. I cannot

c1876

Boulogne sur Mer
March 29th

My dear Mahon

I should have replied
to your last long before this, but
I have been again wandering &
had not got your letter with me
so was obliged to wait my return
here, before I could write in answer
to it. With regard to the shares, &
the decision the Directors have come
to, I care nothing as they are no
longer of any service to you & for
myself I told you I did not wish
to take them. But with regard to
the reasons upon which you say the
Directors founded their refusal to
allot them (the shares) to me I have

a word or two to say, as I must
positively never formally renounce
them at any meeting at which you
were not present, as I had no
opportunity for so doing never having
attended at any Board since
the afternoon on which I resigned
& when you were present. Therefore
anything formal & deliberate in
renunciation of the shares was
never put forward by me. I think
I told Capt. Crowe the same as I
did you & he combatted the idea
of my not taking them & said it
was all nonsense, that the Comp^y
had had the use of my name &
that I was therefore entitled to them.
However we will let the matter
rest as it is & go to another. I see
by a note I have by me that
W^m J. J. J.

bill is due for which we all
became responsible collectively
& severally, but Mr. Lee promised
that he would only come upon
each of us for his separate share
should the bill be dishonored.
I hope it has been duly met, but
if not will you kindly settle
my share for me which will
I think be somewhere about £7
& when you let me know that it
has been duly arranged for I will
remitt you the money, as I do not
like blindly lodging the money
with Mr. Lee, & yet a delay in the
payment of my share might
cause the rest of you inconvenience.
I feel sure you will do this for
me from what you said to me

in a former letter. So I readily
trust it in your hands. We have
had splendid weather here for
the last few days, but I see from
the papers that you have not been
equally blest. Wishing you all
prosperity I am always yours
to command - Chas. Lewis.

Let me hear about the bill, &
you need not let Lee know my
whereabouts, if necessary to say
any thing let it be that I am abroad.

Wales only be needed once
in three or four years: there
are ^{the} large districts in West
& South West England: in the
whole of Wales & a full half
of Scotland where there is
nearly as season passes but
what such a remedy would
save its cost ~~it~~ times over.
Besides my patents are not
confined in their application
to harvesting only - there is
scarce a produce or a pro-
- cess ~~existing~~ ^{existing} to which this



30th March 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, D.C.

My dear Colonel.

I have only this
morning been able to obtain
the packet of papers sent
to Ougar - as we have no
communication with that
town & I had to get them again
thru' London. Unfortunately
none of the private letters
are included in that packet

will you kindly take the trouble
to obtain them for me & post
them to me direct here?

I should like to meet you some
morning at Mr Chadwick's
office if you would make
an appointment with that gentle-
man & let me know of it.

Prof Howard's opinion is
based upon the supposition that

the farmers must of necessity
buy this machine - whereas
the chief scope for a company
of the most advantageous use for
its capital would be in constructing
a sufficient number for "hire"
just as it is now done with
threshing machines. There is
not one farmer in a hundred
who buys a threshing machine
& yet they nearly all hire
them - Prof Howard are also
in error in saying that it

The same story of small
beginnings quickly ripening
into enormous enterprises
- Thanks for your many
kind exertions in my behalf
I hope I shall not have
to trouble you again

Always yours

Wm A. Gibbs

To Col. Wm B. F. F. F. F. F.

March 30, 1876
New Sporested form of doing
is not beneficially applicable -
Billwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, D.C.
The buying of megas. Coffee.
grain. cargoes for shipment
or damaged grain of all
kinds from wrecked vessels
each of them form an important
branch of the operations
of a company -
I have not the presumption
to suppose that I can
argue Mr Chadwick into
anything that he does
not

heartily approve & would
be the last person in the world
to wish to ~~be~~ do so - but I
think I may almost claim
to be heard in defence of
my assertion that the enterprise
is now ripe for commercial
development - with all
due respect for Mr

Howard - I am well aware
that they & all the large
implement makers are so
rich & so full of business
in their own specialities
that they look with contempt
& disgust on anything that
does not at once sell
- hand sell by millions
- But the histories of the mowing
machine - the steam plough
the threshing machine & the
Steam Engine all tell

be Patents of their own - Hansomes
told me years ago that instead of
counting to "go in" for anything new
they had positively given away for
a mere song a large branch of
their old - now places as I am
I can beat all the "Big Men" hollow;
I have the nucleus of an engineering
staff ^{men} with their heads screwed on
the right way - a few thousand pounds
& engine-power & a six acre plot
out of which we have already turned
some thousand pounds worth of machinery
and soon multiplied that by tens
I have no cent (worth mentioning) no



18th April 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, D.C.

My dear Colonel

Besides the letters
you have so kindly returned
there are a considerable number
of much more importance &
amongst them the one from
Mr Lickin (which your former
friend thought so much of) I
think it is very likely that
these are still with Mr Chichester

so that if you arrange a meeting
at Mr Chadwick's office I
would ask you to recover these
storing them with you {^{giving this} - kindly ^{send them}
= Thinking to save you trouble I had
purposed sending the enclosed
direct to Mr Chadwick but
as I have (after all) to write
to you again - I thought perhaps

You would like to see what further
may be said in the matter -
There is yet one other point worth
consideration that is the well-
known reluctance of these large
Implement makers to take Licenses
or to put themselves out to any sort
of trouble out of their own special
branch - the fact is it is such
a splendidly profitable business
some of such rapid increase
that they are perfectly justified
in not troubling themselves with
new things unless they happen to

because I think a man of business
will understand it better than
a man of war.

2nd P.S. Together with the various
letters & papers was a copy of the
Resolution passed by the board of
the H. S. Compt. offering me
terms for my patents. Will you
recover this also for me?

Apr. 1, 1876 (5)



Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, E.C.

clerk no ~~cler~~ collector no
commission to pay - so that I
should be able to hand over to
a Company - an organized
establishment which could be
extended as much or as little
as might be found best & by
which not merely license-
-dues would accrue but the
full profits of a most profitable
manufacture - Now all this

is a matter of ocular demonstration
& arithmetical proof - any one
who chooses to take half an
hour's rail out of London can
see the whole affair in full
swing therefore if Mr Chadwick
does not care to give us
an audience in town I do
hope he will come down

see for himself that I am a man
of business & not a mere
dreaming inventor of useless
things - With kind regards
always Yours
Wm G. Giff.

To Col. Wm G. Gorman Watson.
P. S. I should like you to show
Mr Chadwick this note also

1876

HOPTON HALL,
WIRKSWORTH.

Sept: 2. 1874

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged
by your note respecting
the Hay making apparatus
and will write & give
you notice of my going
to town - I have not seen
the Essays to which you
allude & should much
like to read them
Yours faithfully
H. (Charles) Pole & Co

HORTON HALL,
WIRKSWORTH

Apr. 2 1874

My

Dear Sir,
I am much obliged
to you for the
the way of
and will write a few
for another of your paper
I have been
the paper, but I
at least a whole
the best way
Yours faithfully
H. C. C.



5th Apr. 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex. N. E.

My dear Colonel.

I shall have much
pleasure in meeting you
at Mr Chadwick's Office
on Friday at 1 o'clock - &
have sent a note to that
gentleman to that effect.
I have no doubt Mr Chickster

has the letters in question &
I hope you will be able to
bring them with you so
many of them are ^{of} very
great importance to me.

With kind regards

Always yours
Wm A. Lill

Colt. Mahon

1875	Jan 8 10 Mares	N ^o 4405	to	4414
1876	Jan 8	225		
		<u>235</u>		
		5932	to	6156

Cash received of Col. Mahon

1875	Jan 8			5
1876	Jan 8			225
				<u>230</u>

1875	Dec 31 By Interest	@ 12 1/2 p. Cent		12 6
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1876	April 5 To Cash		. 12 6	
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14 7 6

Annual

was the fair price for my sixteen
years work & yet thousands think
that you have proof of an
approximate sum having been offered
to me & refused when my patents
had not one tenth of their present
value? Our time was short yesterday
or I should have named that I disposed
of one small branch of my patents
for £4000 & that analogous sales of
some of the other branches we believe
bring a good return to those who prize
in the development & that such also
will be an advantageous mode of dealing



8. Ap. 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, D.C.

My dear Colonel.

To your friend Mr
C. one of those fortunate favorites
who spoiled by the possession
of great talent & success
high position are thence
- both deaf to all reasoning
except their own showing one
taken up an opinion hold
it in defiance of all that

may be urged or proved to the
contrary - or has he the larger
grasp of Genius & Sympathy
that enables a man to see into
other men's minds as well as
his own? If the former it is
impossible to act with such minds
except in the relative positions
of tyrant & slave & that ^{is} ~~is~~
of course quite out of the question;

if the latter I think when he comes
to know more of me & of the possibilities
of the enterprise before us some
middle course between his
experience & mine may lead
to one of the greatest successes
of the age - In any case will
you kindly assure him that I
am not a needy adventurer
hungrily seeking capital for
bubble schemes. Will you also
say that it was your kind
proposition & not my suggestion
that 10,000 cash & 10,000 shares

£10,000 cash. but as I know
my chief aim is to get a beneficial
power into wider use & I wd
gladly sacrifice still more
money for that end.

Although Harvesting is my especial
favorite there is no doubt that
many of the other branches
wd be more immediately lucrative
if I had time to work them.

Whatever comes, I thank you much for
enabling me to make Mr Chadwick's acquaintance
especially as he expresses so kind a sym-
-pathy with my literary "lipwork"
Always yours J. M. G. Gibbs



Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex. D.C.

(5)

with some of the foreign & colonial
patents - - It is in these last
transactions that the position
of such a house wd be of large
advantage & all concerned -

I hold a letter of introduction
from the Duke of S. & Lord
Lyons for France & co obtain
other, for the Rhine & for
other countries & these
add to my C.'s influence

and place the matter at once
on the very highest footing
& facilitate the establishment
of Branch companies by the
leading men in each country.
I have not the slightest doubt but

Had the Duke of Northumberland
Margaret Plater
the Baroness Rothschild & several
others who were interested in
the matter last year will

adopt the system as soon as
 as I can show them the new
 machines at work & it will
 be strange indeed if out of
 my summer gathering I do not
 get three or four more to
 follow their example hence if
 this (not very utopian expectation)
 is fulfilled I shall net 500 or
 £600 for my years work without
 any further outlay whatever.
 This from a mere money-point
 of view wd be as good as

Chadwick's immense knowledge & ex-
-perience that I should be quite prepared
to yield my opinion to his if upon
further examination of the peculiar
nature of this enterprise he does
not see reason to modify it: all
that I do ask of you (in confidence) is this
does he possess, in addition to rapidity
& decision, that rare gift of a large
& comprehensive mind that can weigh
& estimate other men's reasons as well
as his own? If not you will I am sure
agree with me that it would be a useless
- additional strain upon my overworked
head & ~~therefore~~ a most ungrateful
return to him for his kind counsel to me
to worry him any further with such
reasons. Always yours sincerely
Wm A. Ellis



12th April 76
Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, N.E.

My dear Colonel

Thank you much
for your note of 11th I entirely
concur in your view that
it is essential for Mr Chadwick
& the friends on whose scientific
& practical knowledge he can
most fully rely to see for
themselves the possibilities &
realities of this matter

I shall write to that gentleman
tomorrow asking him to name
a day in the first week in May
upon which we can prepare to
show the matter in all its
bearing - I am very glad you
did not come down without
advising me because with
these new machines I am
obliged to hire a portable
engine

of much more power than my
own in order to show the power
of the machine itself in its fullest
effect & that cannot be done
under two or three days notice
at soonest - I still cannot
help thinking that a private com-
-pany, such as you first sug-
-gested, would at once be the
fairer towards me (after 20 long
a time of loss anxiety & strain)
& the most advantageous for
those concerned. But I have
so high an opinion of Mr



INSURANCE AGENTS.

151, Cannon Street,

London, E. C.

April 13th 1876

Colonel Mahon
6 Nottingham Terrace
Regents Park

Dear Colonel
re Petroleum Company

I have arranged a meeting
for Tuesday next, so if you will
favor me with a call here on
that day between 2 and 3 o'clock
you can accompany me to the
temporary office of the Company
I am Dear Colonel
Yours faithfully
R. R. Crowe

Tuesday April 14th 1876. 6 Nottingham Terrace
To Messrs Russell Crowe & Co.
Insurance & Banking Agents 151, Cannon Street
London.
R. R. Crowe

In reply to yr note permit me to say
that if the gentlemen you speak of are
desirous to interest me in their proposed
undertaking, an intimation to that
effect should emanate from themselves &
be addressed to ~~me~~ ^{personally} in the customary
manner. Should ~~any~~ ^{such an} invitation to
meet them reach me, I shall be
happy as your ^{personal} friend to
~~accompany you & enter on~~
~~the consideration~~
of the subject, but not otherwise,
Very faithfully yours
R. R. Crowe



INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA

London 20
April 13 1870

Richard Baker
1 William Street
London E.C.

Dear Sir,
I have arranged a meeting
for Tuesday next at 8 o'clock
for me and all the
other directors of the
company to meet at the
company's office at 11
William Street, London
E.C. at 8 o'clock
on Tuesday next.

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
10th inst. in relation to the
proposed meeting of the
directors of the company
on Tuesday next at 8 o'clock
at the company's office at
11 William Street, London
E.C. I am sorry that I
cannot attend the meeting
on that day, but I shall
be present on Wednesday
next at 10 o'clock at the
company's office at 11
William Street, London
E.C. I am, Sir, very
respectfully,
Yours,
Wm. H. Baker

2 Enclosures



16th Apr 76

Gillwell Park,
Sewardstone,
Essex, D.C.

My dear Colonel.

Is not the enclosed
rather curious after what
Mr Davis Chadwick said at
our conference? Can it be that
he personally has not seen
my last letter of 11th & 13th?
When ~~he~~ he returns to London
perhaps you will kindly see

if this ^{is} really the final only
house that is to come out
of the Mountain of labour
~~thought~~ which we have
had over the matter. if so
I should be greatly obliged by
the return of my letters &
estimates (to Miss C. -)

I suppose those entrusted to
Mr Chichester are hopelessly

lost - It is rather a serious loss
as they contained the very best
evidence of the value of my
discovery - The most recent
scientific testimony as to
this you will find in the
enclosed rough proof of
a letter from Mr Brown.
do not read it critically
because the author has not
had time to correct it.

Yours always -
Wm A. Gibbs

9. Mincing Lane,
London, 18th April
E.C.

1876

Colonel T. P. Macon

6 Nottingham Terrace

York Gate

Regents Park

Sir

Re Petroleum.

My friend, Mr Russel Crowe, has just communicated to me the contents of the note you addressed to him, under date of the 14th instant with reference to the above matter.

As the authorized Agent of the Vendors, I now beg leave to solicit the honor of being allowed to add your esteemed name to the four Directors who have already given their adhesion and to enable

me thus to complete the Board.

Should ^{you} be inclined to do so, I shall be most happy fully to satisfy you with the bona fide of the scheme.

The Directors are not to incur the slightest liability, on the contrary, besides the annual sum of £ 1500 to be set aside for their remuneration, each of them is to receive 50 fully paid up shares of the Company, and they are not bound to qualify themselves.

The first Directors are to remain in Office for the period of 3 years from the date of registration.

Acting upon the suggestion of Mr Crowe, (who by the bye is to be the Auditor of the Co.) as he informs that you are sure to be in town tomorrow, if you could possibly make it convenient I shall be very glad to meet you at my Office, as above, when I shall place before you all the original Documents connected with the matter. Mr Crowe requests me to say that

he will wait for you at his Office between
2 & 2.30 p.m.

Should this arrangement not suit you,
if you will kindly make your own appointment
I shall be glad to place myself at your
disposal.

Meanwhile I have the honour
to remain

Sir

your obedient servant

A. Galzin

wrote to Bernadiggan
the Lamberts place near
Lennam, to call on some
people of the name of Blakes
cousins of the Blakes of
Kerry, but they were out -
so we had our drive for
nothing. The storms have
killed down a good deal
of the fruit in the garden
luckily the flowers had not
all been planted out - Papa
says he will be obliged to leave
on Monday or Tuesday - With
love from all your dear Colonel
your most afft
Faith



Spring 1876

Kylemore Castle,
Galway.

Friday

My dear Colonel

I was very sorry to find
from your telegram
yesterday that you were
anxious about us, I thought
Papa had written & I
suppose he thought I
had. The truth is that
we have been very

busy lately. Poor Lewis
was most unfortunate
in the weather which he
was here, yesterday being
the only day without rain
he fished from morning
till night but without
success nevertheless he
enjoyed his visit & was
very glad to leave this
morning - Papa Sam
glad to say is in much
better spirits now & enjoys

riding about the farms
with us every day - Poor
Imperial has been ill
the whole week suffering
from headache, George
is not well to-day nor is
Seraldine & Howard is
in bed having strained
his chest rowing yesterday
with the large oars - It
is almost impossible to be
well this cold damp
weather - On Wednesday he

gooseberries, cherries, red
currants & black currants.
They were rather watery
and want sun which
I fear they won't get. We
eat the gooseberries & cherries
but the currants were
too sour, so will be made
into tarts. Still we may
be pleased with the garden
for the fruit is very large
and it is only the want
of sun which prevents it
from being delicious.

Spring 1876
Gylemore Castle,
Galway.
Monday
Dear Mr. Jones.
Many thanks for the
beautiful little spur, which
I am so much obliged to
you for. I am so much
obliged to you for the
very useful for teaching
how to behave -
I am so much obliged to
you for the first
time I have ever seen the first

time, we only went to the
gardens & Adra pool so
as there were no side roads
she behaved properly. but
on Saturday we went to
Lutterback & she took
ferry into the stables at
Lassmo, we continued our
ride along the same road
and she was very anxious
to follow any road but

the straight one. Jerry was
delighted she thinks all
show of her goodness on Daisy's
part great fun - Geraldine
will be a great rider & Daisy
is a very nice pony for her.
Yesterday was very wet, but
we went to church as it
was fine enough when
we left the house. Will
you please tell Papa that
we had 4 large dishes of
fruit at dinner last night

and I think it's almost
worse for Walter who is so far
away. Had a letter from
him yesterday, written on
the 23rd March, he was very
sick but does not seem to
like India any better.

Imperial is very well & sends
her love - The children have
all got colds, caused I suppose
by the sudden change in
the weather, as we had some
very warm days, and now
we have snow hail &
biting east wind, I think.



Weymouth Castle,
Salmon.

Sunday April 17/76

My dear Colonel

I cannot tell you how
delighted I was to see
your writing once more.
I have been trying to find
out your address for a
long time, but as you
seemed to know - you
must not think that
I expected you in your

allan Thomson

1880



Troubles for indeed I
was very sorry that you
should be so worried &
wanted very much to write
only I could not find out
where to. - I made a warm
winter waistcoat for you
and sent it to Louisa
& they told me you had
gone to Paris & left no
address, so you see I

was thinking of you. and
now please never say I neglected
you again -

Papa arrived last Thursday
he has a bad cold & has
I think been pretty overworked
he really wants rest. We were
to have left this, this day week
but Papa does not feel well
enough so he shall remain
a little longer. I am delighted
for I do not like Louisa at
all. I suppose you heard of
Mr. de Morgan's death, poor
Gavin is in a dreadful state

and is, as you since I
saw you last -

With much love & many
thanks for your kind
wishes

Believe me dear Colonel
ever yr. ever affec-
tionary

I hope you will write to
me soon again & I'm
so glad I know where
you are at last.

April 17, 1876



Wentmore Castle,
Galway.

The weather here must
be just as warm as in
London.

Lewis was over for about
six weeks after he was &
is at Portsmouth again
now, complaining bitterly
of the cold.

Papa has bought two
beautiful horses for

Miss D. & family
Glasgow



Imperial & we to ride
in the Park & the boys
all have songs so we
shall be a very formidable
Cavalcade - Daisy came
down one day when
Imperial was riding her
and we then found
she had been down

twice before although we
had never heard of it. she
has now been put in
the pony phaeton & goes
very well but is rather
timid going down hill -
The other little pony Prince
is not quite such a demon
as he was at first.
I shall be so glad to
see you again in summer

I should be sure but thank
you very much all the same
for your kind wish -

Poor Mr. de Morgan's death was
very sad. Papa felt it very
much. I am so sorry for
the two boys. I don't know
which is the worst the pitted
Walter who is so far away or
Gennie who is pite alone
in London -

My cousin who is to be married
to-day is the younger sister
of the one who was staying
with us. She is a year older
than Imperial. This is a strong



Wentworth Castle,
Salway

April

21st 1876

My dear Cousin
I am very sorry to hear
that you have such a
bad cough. I wish if you
have not done so already
that you would try Chloroform
which did you good when
as I told you in my last
this has been a very
hospital for some time
how poor Imperial is

allan & son
gaula
ill & has been in bed for
three days. She was very
weak & wretched yesterday
but had a good night &
is, I am glad to say, a good
deal better this morning.

George is also ill, with the
same thing, very severe
cold, headache & pains in
all the bones. Robert is in
bed with cramps Edward is very

hoarse. Elsie also has a bad
cold, so you see things are
not looking very bright just
at present. We had intended
leaving next week, but have
had to put off our journey.
It is so good of you to wish
to meet us at the station
but we are to travel by night
and arrive in London at
some unearthly hour in the
morning & so think we shall
all be tired & cross &
not at all pleasant people
to meet, & instead of being "fair"

Kylemore Castle,
Galway.

24th April / 76.

My dear Coland

I have been much
out of sorts & in bad
spirits - My Friend
De Morgan has followed
the rest - & died few
days ago - He came
to me every Sunday
& you often met him -
However I had Dumbitis
& came over ill - &
I am only just getting
wound -
We shall be in London

My dear Mr. Sturges

in about a fortnight.
As I heard nothing of you
I thought you were not
in London - You know
where I am there how
long I am - & I thought
you would have turned
up if you were in London.

I need hardly say how
glad we shall be to see
you - & Sunday at dinner
hour is a sure fire for
us - we dine at 7 1/2 -
not at 8 as formerly.
All are pretty well here but

I am getting old -
indifferent & am out -
& shall soon take to my
Bath Chair & a Dog.

Sincerely yours

Mitchell Sturges