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	1826			1827		35	1839	Jo <sup>s</sup> . Pease M.P.		1839	
1	Dec.10	H. Donkin Durham	18	Oct <sup>r</sup> .28	Th. Simpson Stockton	36	May 16		51	July 6	Jn <sup>o</sup> . Stanethorp Hexh <sup>m</sup>
2	10 <sup>th</sup> .	Alx <sup>r</sup> . Robertson 6	[18a]	Dec.22	Jn <sup>o</sup> . Gregson 3 Kings Rd		16	F.D. Johnson Esq <sup>r</sup> . Akley-heads	52	21	Jn <sup>o</sup> . Ogden Sund <sup>d</sup> .
		Furnivals Inn Lond <sup>n</sup> .	19	1828	W <sup>m</sup> . Daghish Oreel Cottage Wiggan	37		J.A. Forster Auckl <sup>d</sup> .	53		Ja <sup>s</sup> . Easton Hebb <sup>n</sup>
3	10 <sup>th</sup> .	Sir C, Sharp Sunderl <sup>d</sup> .	20	Ap.16	G.T. Fox Durham	[36a]	20	F.D. Johnson Esq <sup>r</sup> .	54		J.F. Grant N.Castle
4	"	S <sup>r</sup> . H. Browne Broney-cfa	21	1829	Major Byers Lond <sup>n</sup> .		25	Th. Davison D_m	55	28	J.B. Foord London
5	"	R. Bowlby S <sup>o</sup> . Shields	22	Jany 8	W <sup>m</sup> . Croggon Lond <sup>n</sup> .		26	Ja <sup>s</sup> . Oliver Pensher	56		W.M. Coulthurst London
6	18	Ja <sup>s</sup> . Potts Heaton Office	23	Feb.6	Sam <sup>l</sup> Amory Lond <sup>n</sup> .		26	J. Gregson London	57		Jn <sup>o</sup> . Parkinson Lond.
7	"	Mess <sup>rs</sup> .C.Johnson & Sons	24	Mar. 11	W <sup>m</sup> . Croggon d <sup>o</sup> .			T. Kell Bramham	58	29	W <sup>m</sup> . Bagge M.P.
8	24	P. Faheurden Esq <sup>r</sup> .	25	12	J. Feetham W.minstr		27	Jn <sup>o</sup> . Gregson London	59	30	Jn <sup>o</sup> . Ogden Sund <sup>d</sup> .
9	"	W. Russell Esq <sup>r</sup> .	26	20	P. Rawling Lond <sup>n</sup> .	[42]	28	Th. Sopwith N.C			
	1827	Brancepeth	27	Ap. 18	E. Backhouse Sund <sup>d</sup>	42		Jo <sup>s</sup> . Pease M.P.	60	Aug <sup>t</sup> . 1	Mess <sup>rs</sup> . Tanner,Beck
10	Feb.18	W <sup>m</sup> . Smith 61 Lower Shadwell	28	July 28	Smart Atkinson	[42a]	43	A. Humphreys London			with L Scurfield Sunderland
[10a]			29		Ja <sup>s</sup> . Currie Lond <sup>n</sup> .	44	June 8	F.D. Johnson Aykleyheads	61	2 <sup>d</sup>	Geo. Hunter Harrogate
12	"	W. Russell Esq <sup>r</sup> . Branc <sup>th</sup>	30		Stages travelled on a tower in Wales	[44a]	13	T. Davison Durh <sup>m</sup> .	62		Jn <sup>o</sup> . Flintoff-Wood-House Close Colly.
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13	Ap. 22	C. Ellison Esq 79 Pall Mall London		Oct							

14		“ Jn <sup>o</sup> . Gregson 3 Kings Road Bedford Row London	31	20	A. Donkin	45	“ J.F. Grant Ra. Walters' Office		
			32	1836 Dec 4	W <sup>m</sup> . Locke Leeds	47	16 Jn <sup>o</sup> Hikely Wyn <sup>d</sup> .		
15	May 26	Geo. Forster Hebb <sup>n</sup> .		1839		48	“ Rich <sup>d</sup> . Cail N.Castle		
16	June 18	Col. Mills Brancepeth	33	May 12	M <sup>r</sup> . T Davison D_m	48	30 J.B. Foord Lond <sup>n</sup> .		
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17	26	Ditto	34		“ W <sup>m</sup> . Anderson S <sup>o</sup> . Shields	49	“ Mess <sup>rs</sup> . Fairlough & Frost Liverpool		
						50	“ Tim. Hackworth New Shildon		
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Walls-end 10<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

Dear Sir

I received your Letter of the 30<sup>th</sup>. Nov: in course, and have corresponded with the Marq<sup>s</sup>. of Londonderry on the Subject to which it relates. On Thursday morning last I intend to do myself the pleasure of waiting upon, at Durham on this Affair, between 11 and 12 o'clock, and if I don't hear from you to the contrary, I shall conclude that it will be convenient to you to see me at that time

If you have occasion to write me, please to direct to Pensher Colliery

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Newcastle on Tyne 10<sup>th</sup>. Dec.

1826

My Dear Sir

Your Letters of the 5<sup>th</sup>. & 6<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. have given me the greatest Satisfaction, as they lead me to more than expect that you are on the point of completing all your arrangement of our great undertaking a Seaham.

I shall be glad to hear from you again about the time you mention, and I can assure you that the Marquess will be happy to see you at Wynyard, as soon as you are prepared to wait upon him. Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you at Wynyard, to celebrate the New year's Eve. I remain my Dear Sir

Henry. Donkin Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
Solicitor  
Durham

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I am Dear Sir  
Truly yours'  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. A. Robertson  
6 Farnivals' Inn  
London

very Sincerely yours  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Walls-end 10<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

My dear Sir Cuth<sup>t</sup>.

Many thanks for your Letter  
of the 8<sup>th</sup>. Inst<sup>t</sup>. I will Send a Cart  
from Pensher on Wed. or Thursday next  
for 4 Doz. of the Soltzer. I long to  
have a verbal Bulletin of "the Retreat"  
I hope it was not quite so disastrous, &  
fatal, as the retreat from M[aseone]

This is written with Wedgewood's  
"manifold writer" – what do you think  
of it? You may write 4 or 5 Copies and  
the original at Same time.

I am my dear S<sup>r</sup>. Cuth<sup>t</sup>.

Sir C. Sharp } yours' faithfully  
Sunderland } Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Walls-end 10<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

My dear Sir Henry.

I find that you fully participate  
in the delight which I feel, at the prospect of Robertsons'  
realizing his project, and you are no doubt apprized that  
Lord L.'s feelings, are quite in unison with ours.

After I had sent off his Letter of 5<sup>th</sup>. to my  
Lord. I really almost began to doubt, and to think the  
whole was a dream. The next day's past however bro<sup>t</sup>.  
me another Letter, which convinced me that I had not  
been dreaming. In this Letter he says he has completed  
his chief arrangements, that I shall hear from him again  
by 25<sup>th</sup>. And that he fully expects to be at Wynyard on  
the 31<sup>st</sup>. Inst<sup>t</sup>. to have matters finally settled. This surely  
looks like being in earnest, and if anything now Starts  
up, to Stop our great enterprise I shall die of Chagrian.

This Harbour affair becomes of the more importance  
as it seems doubtful, whether we shall be able to Keep  
D. Lambton's Land at W. Harrington, the parting with  
which will give Lambton the complete Whip-hand of

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us with respect to all future Way-leave arrangements to the Wear at Sunderland. It is distressing to have to give up these valuable Acquisitions, but we must yield to dire necessity. If however our Harbour goes on this way Leave arrangement with Lambton becomes of less importance. I have written Donkin, D. Lambton's Solic<sup>t</sup>. to say that I will wait upon him next Thursday on this disagreeable business. If the Interest had been regularly paid I don't believe that more than the £2000 would have been called for. And if the Full amo<sup>t</sup>. of Int<sup>t</sup>. due at [Marls. March?], or rather May, together with the £2000 could be distinctly promised to be p<sup>d</sup>. at May I sh<sup>d</sup>. think Donkin w<sup>d</sup>. be satisfied. It is the impuctual paym<sup>t</sup>. of Interest which puts people out of humour, and injures our Credit more than any thing else. I scarcely Know what to say to Donkin but must feel my way with him as I can.

With Dundon our position does not Seem to be at all improved by My Lords' Letter. He sticks to the rules of his predecessors, and will allow the [ ] Tenants the Years' Law to pay the Fine in His ans. To my Lords' Letter

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is precisely to the same purpose, as Fabies verbal comm<sup>n</sup>. to myself. It seems therefore that nothing remains for us but to make the best bargain, we can with the old Tenants; but here id the difficulty – where are we to get £10,000 or £15000 to purchase them out. The entire want of Funds for the securing of any great object of this sort, is really lamentable. The prospect of getting the Harbour forward, and our Vend going on well

Keep me in Spirits, but I assure you

that I often get very low, and un-

happy in contemplating our position

and prospects – the Bar is always

bent – the String never Slack to

allow it relaxation and to gain fresh vigour

Pray tell me what are your Movements. Are

you coming into this Neighbourhood/ I regret to say that

my poor Mother is so ill, that I cannot see any body at

home. At all events I hope we shall meet Robertson at

Wyn<sup>d</sup>. together, if we don't meet sooner. They talk of calling

a Meetg. of the C. Owners of both Rivers, to have a gen<sup>l</sup>.

conference on the State of the trade best I don't yet Know

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when it will take place. The Ship-owners on this river are in a most deplorable State, they can no longer carry Coals on their own Acco<sup>t</sup>. but must either freight their Ships, or be upheld a certain Freight, so that the Coal-owners are now

Their own Carriers. This is written with Wedgewood's pat<sup>t</sup>. "manifold Writer" – writes 4 or 5 Copies and the original at same time – this is my 1<sup>st</sup> trial with it. Pray present my most respectful regards to M<sup>r</sup>. & M<sup>rs</sup>. Burdon.

Leu<sup>t</sup>. Col. S<sup>r</sup>. H. Browne      Y<sup>rs</sup>. ever faithfully  
Castle Eden                      Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Walls-end 10<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

Dear Sir

Enclosed I send you the Stamp – Office Letter, and also the £5. for Geo: Harisons Legacy, which I forgot to give you last Sunday.

Harwell, in Brandling's office  
Knows nothing of the £8..17..11 with which he Stands charged in M<sup>r</sup>. Atkinson's Accot<sup>s</sup>.

I am Dear Sir  
yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

R. Bowlby Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Solicitor }  
S<sup>o</sup>. Shields }

7. 6.

Walls-end 18<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

Dear Sir

I have to thank you for your Letter of the 16<sup>th</sup>. Inst<sup>t</sup>. and will make a point of meeting you at the Percy – Affair at 11 o'Clock on Thursday. The outline of the Project of Regulat<sup>n</sup>. which you have drawn up, is all very well as far as it goes, but much more is wanted to make the

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Newcastle 18<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

Dear Sirs

Although I have not sooner replied to your Letter of the 11<sup>th</sup>. Inst<sup>t</sup>. I have not been inattentive to your Remarks on the Complaints from the Byers of the Stewart's Walls-end, but have taken measures to remove the cause. The dryness of the Summer had

thing complete. The Plan of reference, in some Shape or other must be consorted to, or we shall not have any Regulation I can assure you – no Man must be the judge in his own case. We must also have the Deposit, to Secure good Faith down. There will Still be great difficulties in the way of an arrangement – the Wax of certain parties, is not yet Sufficiently Softened.

Private M. Atkinson is endeavouring to get the Team Coals down to Bill-quay

Ja<sup>s</sup>. Potts Esq<sup>r</sup>. } D<sup>rs</sup>. Sir Y<sup>rs</sup>. truly  
Heaton Office } Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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induced us tomorrow some of Skreens, and Since the wet Weather came on, the small has not passed thro' with sufficient freedom We have however widened the Skreenes again and in a Short time I expect you will find all cause of complain, as to their being Small cease. The Coal-owners now Seem to be opening their eyes to the folly of conducting their business in the way they have been doing

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for some timepast, and I think 'ees long a Serious endeavour will be made to establish a general Regulation. We shall then be able to Keep you Factors in order, without sending Deputations up to Chatechise you.

Be so good as to send to S<sup>r</sup>. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Esdaile Bar<sup>t</sup>. & C<sup>os</sup>. Banking House where you will Find & 50 at y<sup>r</sup>. Credit for your last years' Salary & be so good as acknowledge the receipt in your next Letter

I am Dear Sirs

Very truly yours

This is written with a manifold Writer & may not perhaps be quite legible

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Walls-end 24<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

Dear Sir

I have waited sometime in hopes of being able to answer your Letter of the 6<sup>th</sup>. Inst<sup>t</sup>. Satisfactorily i.e. to obtain a Copy of the authority given to Croudace by the Way-leave affair.

I unfortunately did not make a Copy of this Document, and I have not yet been able to obtain a Copy from M<sup>f</sup>. Croudace. In the first instance he could not immediately lay his hand on the original, and for ten days past he has been

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle  
Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Charles Johnson & Son }  
Coal Exchange }  
London }

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confined to his Room by illness. I expect however  
Shortly to obtain a Copy.

I think it probable that I may Shortly  
have to apply to M<sup>r</sup>. Lyon for Way-leave through  
his Hetton property, for Lord Londonderry, and if  
you Should feel yourself quite at liberty I shall be  
glad to avail myself of your professional Services  
on the occasion

I am Dear Sir

very Sincerely yours'

P. Faheurden Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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To J. Gregson Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Walls-end 24<sup>th</sup>. Dec: 1826

Dear Sir

I have Seen M<sup>rs</sup>. Peareths, and M<sup>r</sup>.  
Sanderson, Lord Stowall's Nephew, on the Subject  
of the Coal under Usworth Common. They are – the  
M<sup>rs</sup>. Peareths I mean – willing to join you, in endeavour-  
ing to establish your Claim to the Coal under the  
Common; and M<sup>r</sup>. Sanderson will write his Uncle  
on the Subject, who he has no doubt will join the  
other Proprietors in investigating their Right.

M<sup>rs</sup>. Peareths do not think that their Father Started  
any case for the legal opinion, but that "the words"  
referred to in his Law Man's Letter, alluded to the  
words of the Title Deeds of the Property, which pro-

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call on M<sup>rs</sup>. Peareths Solicitors to see what information  
he can give on the Subject. I will also endeavour  
to See M<sup>r</sup>. Shaw, who is intitled to an Eighth of  
it in right of his Farm. – the Shares in the  
Common are as follows viz.

You have – – – – – 3

M<sup>rs</sup>. Peareths – – – 2

Lord Stowall – – – – 1

Lord Ravensworth – 1

M<sup>r</sup>. Shaw – – – – – 1

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The Coal-Trade is quite at a Stand on  
this River for the present. Thursday's Meeting at  
Sunderland will I think be an important one, and

bably convey the Coal i.e. a Share of it with the Farm which they purchased.

You had better therefore refer to the Title-Deeds of the Blue-House Farm, purchased of S<sup>r</sup>. Rob<sup>t</sup>. Be[weede] B<sup>t</sup>. and to those of the Fallonsby farm purchased of Col. Blakeny & Lewis Legg, which will I think clear up the point as to your right to the Coal and the first opportunity I have I will

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notwithstanding Corp. Cashram's Smooth Speeches at the Newcastle on the 21<sup>st</sup>. I much doubt that old Arthur will ratify what the gallant Cap<sup>t</sup>. agreed to at Newcastle. If you could with convenience attend this Meetg. at Sunderland I think it w<sup>d</sup>. be well, as N. Hetton ought to be placed on a proper Basis – consisting with her powers. The Meeting is to be

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held at Jousey's, the Bridge Inn at 12 o'Clock on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>.

I am Dear Sir

very Sincerely yours'

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

This is written with Wedgewood's manifold

Writer, which will take 3 or 4 Copies, and the original at Same time – the price of the best with Russian, or Morono Leather Covers and pat<sup>t</sup>. Locks is 3 Guineas – either Fool Cap or Quarto Size. But the Common Sort Quarto Size, with a Tuck instead of a Lock may be had for 2 Guineas

They are to be had in Newcastle, and if you think it w<sup>d</sup>. be useful to you I will Send you one. The one I write with is Fools Cap Size

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Walls ~~Walls~~-end 18<sup>th</sup>. Feb: 1827

M<sup>r</sup>. William Smith

Dear Sir

I received your Letter of the 30<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. in course, but have delayed replying to it until I could see Mr. Major on your Aunts' business which I could not do 'till yesterday. We had a long discussion with M<sup>r</sup>. Walker, who in consequence of the renewal of some part of the premises having been neglected, will pay the Fine & Fees himself, and will Sell the Property to pay himself. We endeavoured to prevail with him to advance as much Money as would relieve your Aunt from her Present difficulties, but this he would not do. Her Situation then is really a most deplorable one – in ill health, and without the means of existance, beside being in the daily dread of being dragged to a prison. All of which complication of missing She has incurred by assisting her friends.

but it also answers for Quarto:

William Russell Esq<sup>r</sup>. M.P. }  
Brancepeth Castle }

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You talk of her Surrendering herself to the B[ond]  
but how is this to be accomplished? For if even her health  
would allow of her undertaking the Journey (which is very  
questionable, at this Season, without risking her Life) how is  
She to promise the means of defraying the expence of the  
journey, and of living in the Bench, which must I  
apprehend be expensive. Can you ascertain what the  
cost of living in the Bench w<sup>d</sup>. be? This is necessary

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to enable her to make that important decision as to the line  
She will take, which circumstances will shortly compel her to  
do. She must either decide to come to the Bench by the  
1<sup>st</sup>. April, to exonerate the bail for her late arrest, and remain  
there until Walker Sells the Property, or She must Keep  
concealed 'till the Property is Sold by Walker, or herself to  
endeavour to relieve herself from her distressing situat<sup>n</sup>.  
as far as the Sale of the property will go, as it is quite  
impossible that she can endure her present wretched State  
of existence for any length of time.

It was one of the Hall Bills for £85, or  
thereabouts for which She was arrested & the expences  
will be at least £20 more – this must either be provided  
for, or She must go to Prison on the 1<sup>st</sup>. April. She  
says, She fully expected that you had made an arrange-  
ment with the people holding these Bills for time

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destitute of the means, and it w<sup>d</sup>. not be just or fair  
that M<sup>r</sup>. Major & myself should forfeit the Bail. It  
is far from my wish to excite any uncomfortable feelings  
in your mind, but quite the Contrary, as I am aware  
of your [misstraions] Conduct, and the great personal  
Sacrifices which you have made, in endeavouring to  
Support and Carry on the business. Yet her case  
Has been a peculiarly hard, one, being  
involved in all the discomfort  
and distress arising from the  
Failure of the business, without  
having had any benefit, or even  
prospect of advantage from it.

Besides, it has abstracted much property  
from her over & above the [accrptormy] – She States  
Adam's Money £190, Sale of Horses £150, Money lent

but which appears you had not done. I would therefore have you endeavour to make such an arrangement & get them to wait the Sale of the Property, which if She goes to Prison, they will be compelled to do. I am however willing to hope that you may be able to provide the Sum to satisfy the arrest against the 1<sup>st</sup>. April, as She is

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£160, Books & Plate £50, Pur £400. She therefore does seem entitled to your best, and Kindest consideration to do all you possibly can to relieve her from her Present distressing Situation, which is I assure you truly deplorable.

61 Lower Shadwell }  
London }

Believe me Dear Sir

Your Sincere [in Irrisher]

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Walls-end 18<sup>th</sup>. Feb: 1827

Dear Sir

M<sup>r</sup>. Shaw called upon me yesterday on the Subject of the Coal under the Usworth Comm<sup>n</sup>. the claim for which he is anxious to pursue, particularly as he has been informed by Lord Ravensworth & P<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup>. Agent, that they will not dispute the claim of the Usworth Landholders to it: in consequences of which he expects the matter may be amiably adjusted at little expence. You hold so large an interest in it, that without your concurrence, however, nothing can be done, and all the other proprietors having agreed to enquire into the business, it is desirable that you may Signify your assent, or [sidcent], to join them. If you decide to join them, I will write to Gregson, on the Subject, or on a conversation with Lord Ravensworths'

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I receive your instructions.

I am glad to say that I think the Regulation, will shortly begin to work well – the present State of the Weather & the meeting of Parliament, are all in favour of it. We have now got as many Ships on here, at the high price as will take up our Vend for the month.

If the Coal-owners will but be content with moderate quantities for another Mo: or two, they will be sure of commanding their prices during the remainder of the year

I am Dear Sir

very respectfully yours'

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Agent, will take such Steps, as may seem most likely to accomplish the object with the least delay, as you may think best, but I shall wait until  
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William Russell Esq<sup>r</sup>. M.P. }  
Brancepeth Castle }

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Walls-end 22 April: 1827

Sir

I take the liberty to inform you, that from the want of the [Sh]. hill Colly. Lease, I am unable to complete the Sale of my Share of that concern to M<sup>r</sup>. Hutch[emoor]. And as I am suffering in convenience from the delay, in the receipt of the purchase Money from that [account]. I am inclined to request the favour of your relieving me, by sending the Lease down to M<sup>r</sup>. J. Clayton. I beg to apologise for troubling you on this affair. – I should not have done so, had not circumstances impelled me

The Company are now in correspondence with M<sup>r</sup>. Easton, on the Subject of the King-Pit Beaumont Seam, and I have no doubt the matter will be amicably arranged.

I am &c.&c.

J.B

C. Ellison Esq<sup>r</sup>. M.P. }  
79 Pall-mall }  
London }

14.

Walls-end Colly. 22<sup>d</sup> Ap: 1827

J. Gregson Esq<sup>r</sup>. Lond<sup>n</sup>.

Dear Sir

The Coal-owners of the Wear having agreed that Referees shall revise their Award in consequence of a defect in the instructions give to them, in the first instance, Lord L. is Satisfied for the present, in the expectation, that justice will, ultimately be done, “to his position”. The only dissentient, is W<sup>m</sup>. Stobart, and well he may, considering the elevated situation he is placed in by the revision. He is therefore setting up a D\_I of a Catterwauling, about it, but I scarcely think he will in the end prove refractory, – he w<sup>d</sup>. suffer as much, in proportion, as others, from a breach of the Regulation. The Coasting trade is now setting in, and the Committees have found it requisite to give out a more liberal issue for the present Mo; – it is 70 P. Th<sup>d</sup>. on the Basis. The little Vessels cannot afford to lie, long turns for their Coals, and

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several have in consequence gone to Hartley Blythe, Stockton, & even the Firth of Forth and the Humber for Cargoes. The line to be drawn by the Comm<sup>ee</sup>. is therefore rather a ticklish one – if they give out too much, the Ship-owners cannot obtain a remuneratory Price – if they give out too little, we are injured by the rivalry of these bye [Ports].

I think I might venture to say that the Seaham Harbour, will go on, almost immediately. I am seeking to obtain a line of Way from Moorsley, by the S<sup>o</sup>. Side of Hetton Village, thro' little Eppleton, Sheppardsons' Carr-house Estate &, M<sup>r</sup>. Gregsons', Dalton, into the Seaham Property. Nothing but exorbitant demands for Way-leave, will prevent our taking this line. If we are disappointed in it, we must go by original Line, on which we have the Way-leaves already Secured. By-and by we shall be able to Strike out something

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beneficial from this for N. Hetton; but we must First see our Way a bit. I am glad to say that Morris has got his tubbing completed at your new Pit, and will immediately resume the Sink-ing.

Have we the power, by our Lease of Bill-quay, from the late M<sup>r</sup>. Harrison to grant liberty to any other Person, to Ship Coals there? I sh<sup>d</sup>. hardly think we have; but I am induced to ask the question, in consequence of an application to that effect from M<sup>r</sup>. W. Greenwell. When you think on, you may as well send me a df<sup>t</sup>. for my Acco<sup>t</sup>. against M<sup>r</sup>. Gregory

I am Dear Sir  
very Sincerely yours'  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

J. Gregson Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
3 King's Road  
Bedford Row  
London

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Walls-end 26<sup>th</sup>. May 1827

Dear Sir

In compliance with the terms of the late M<sup>r</sup>. Atkinson's Will, I now find it necessary to collect all Sums of Money which were due to him at the time of his death. I am therefore called upon to give M<sup>r</sup>. Ellison notice to retire his Pro: Notes for £1800, which I hope it will not be inconvenient for him to do at the end of Six Months from this time

I am Dear Sir  
yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. Geo: Forster  
Hebburn Hall

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Walls-end Colly. 18<sup>th</sup>. June 1827

Lieu<sup>t</sup>. Col. Mills }  
Brancepeth }

Dear Sir

I met with M<sup>r</sup>. Th. Fenwick the Bishops' Viewer last Satdy. Who informed me that M<sup>r</sup>. Lambton had taken the Bishop's Coal, under Brass-Side Moor, and that a detached piece of Coal, belonging to M<sup>r</sup>. Russells' Newton Hall Estate was surrounded by the B\_p's Coal, which M<sup>r</sup>. Lambton w<sup>d</sup>. either Purchase, or take of M<sup>r</sup>. Russell, and M<sup>r</sup>. Fenwick wishes to have the matter bro<sup>t</sup>. before M<sup>r</sup>. Russell. Before this can be done we should Know the circumstances and locality of this detached field of Coal, and if you will be so good as to let M<sup>r</sup>. Hunter send me a Sketch of it with the adjoining part of the Estate on a Sheet of transparent paper, I will give you my ideas on the Subject. Please to present my best regards to M<sup>rs</sup>. Mills & M<sup>r</sup>. Vesfield', family

I am Dear Sir very  
Sincerely yours'  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

17.

Walls-end Colliery 26<sup>th</sup>. June 1827

Dear Sir

I received your Letter of the 21<sup>st</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. enclosing the Sketch of Newton Estate in Course, but have deferred replying to it until I could see M<sup>r</sup>. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Fenwick. On shewing him the plan however he is not able to identify the piece of Ground in question until he sees M<sup>r</sup>. Griffith, who he expects will be able to define its limits accurately. This being the case I cannot Say any thing further about it until after Fenwick has seen Griffith.

In Colliery matters I think I have little to say our Situation underground here is quite as good as can be expected, considering the exhausted State of the Mine, and if we had but got a vend for the Coals should have made a capital years' Work. The miserably distressed State of the trade however, from the want of demand, and low prices at Market have hitherto kept us from getting our Heads above Water; and our hopes entirely rest upon an improved trade during the remainder of this year. By the Market list you will

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see that the price of our Coals is at the head of the Tyne Prices, So that we get our proportion of the limited vend, which the Short demand requires without difficulty

The whole Vend this year, so far, has been very Short from both Rivers. – from the Tyne, up to the end of May, it was 80,000 Ch. Short of the quantity vend- ed up to the same priced last year. This is supposed to arise from the over Supply Sent to Market last Autumn, the falling off, in the Consumption, and the want of confidence in the Regulation. Lord London- derry, M<sup>r</sup>. Lambton & the Hetton Co. having come to a good understanding, however confidence in the Regulat<sup>n</sup>. is established, and we expect that a good effect will shortly be produced by it, on the Market.

M<sup>r</sup>. Wade I learn from M<sup>r</sup>. Shaw is very anx- ious to take his Coal, together with M<sup>r</sup>. Russell's Blue- house Coal, and to win and work them by Outstroke from Washington Colly. M<sup>r</sup>. Wade has not mentioned the Subject to me from which I conclude, that he contemplates this as a private Speculation. He is in a very bad State of health, and is at Harrogate at present. He loses Hebburn Colliery on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>.

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the Lease being out, and may therefore be the more

18.

Walls-end 28<sup>th</sup>. Oct<sup>r</sup>. 1827

anxious to established himself at Usworth.

We have a report that M<sup>r</sup>. Russell means to go into Greece, to assist them against the Turks. I hope however this is not the case, as from the want of union amongst themselves, I think they

have little chance of Success, and there is nothing but hard Knocks and little

glory to be had in the Service

I am Dear Sir

very Sincerely yours'

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Lieu<sup>t</sup>. Col. Mills }  
Brancepeth Castle }

[Bud-60-1]

My dear Sir

I am glad to learn by your Letter of yesterdays date, that Lord Londonderry has made an arrangement with the Assigners, which will I think relieve you, and myself from the unsatisfactory sort of correspondence which we have for some time past found it requisite to carry on. I have not yet heard from his Ldp. on the [business] but have no doubt I shall against the 1<sup>st</sup>. Nov. and shall not fail to execute the orders I receive.

Times are certainly getting the longer the [wage] and who can say what is to be the end of it.

Th. Simpson Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Stockton }

I am Dear Sir

very Sincerely yours'

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

This is written with Wedgewood's manifold Writer, which will take 2 or 3 Copies at once and would be very useful for you I sh<sup>d</sup>. think

[18a]

Walls-end 23<sup>d</sup>. Dec. 1827

Dear Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 20<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. I think the £150 Rent for the 1<sup>st</sup>. 7 Years & £200 for the remainder is the lowest for which M<sup>rs</sup>.

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the W. Side of the Wear, which will I expect enable me to ascertain these points, and answer this question. I have told Fenwick that as M<sup>r</sup>. Russell was expected to be in England in March, I did not think any thing conclusive could be done 'till then, so that the

Grangers Coal, can be secured. The time for the commencement of the Rent is not yet fixed, I contend for 2 years, they wish for it immediately & I don't yet Know how this point will be settled. It is usual to have 2 years allowed, Rent-free for winning a new Colliery & I will do all I can to obtain the same in this case.

I cannot form an opinion as to the probable aid, which the 56 Acres may afford, in the payment of M<sup>rs</sup>. Granger's Rent, 'till I can ascertain, the rate, at which it may be wro<sup>t</sup>. I yesterday got Loraine's permission to inspect Lambtons' working plans of the Coal on

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matter does not press at present.

I think you have done the right thing with M<sup>r</sup>. Wales Trustees respecting the Shares of the Collieries. I shewed M<sup>r</sup>. Wade your Letter, relative to the Sale of the 14 Acres of the Blue-house Coal, which seemed to Stagger him. He declared that he did not understand how to value Coal, as he had never heard of such a thing as buying Coal, and wished me to give him a bit of an idea how it was to be done

I told him that I could not be both Seller and buyer, but I wrote him out a Rule for enabling him, or his Viewers to calculate the Value, themselves. – I have not heard from him since. It will be a puzzling job for

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and his Man Seancho

Loraine tells me that Lambton is to be in London on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. God Know What is the issue of all of this political turmoil. I am very glad to learn that M<sup>r</sup>. Russell will Settle, & leave off his rambling

We are hard at Work about regulatio, but I really cannot tell whether we are getting

19.

Walls-end 16<sup>th</sup>. Ap: 1828

Dear Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 12<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. relative to the character of James Simpson.

It is about 3 years I think since this Young Man left this place for a Situation in Wales. He was brought up at this place and his Father is an Overman here – a most

backwards, or forwards – the  
Position of the thing varies almost  
daily. A fortnight most however I  
think decide the question

Morris will not Fail to urge his claim  
for N. Hetton, but the New Pit not yet being  
down is against him.

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Sir  
yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Gregson Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
3 King's Road  
Bedford Row  
London

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respectable Man, and the young Man referred  
to always conducted himself with the greatest  
propriety. He was brought up to the practical  
Part of Colliery business & is what we call a  
good Pitman; but I don't Know any thing  
of his ability in Surveying, as I am not aware  
that he had any practice in that line  
before he left the North

I am Dear Sir

W. Daghish Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
Orrell Cottage  
near Wiggan  
Lancashire

Yours most obd. Serv<sup>t</sup>.  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

20.

Walls-end 16<sup>th</sup>. April 1828

Dear dear Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of  
your Letter of yesterdays' date. I regret that  
I cannot have the pleasure of accepting your  
invitation for the 22<sup>d</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. but unless Some-  
thing quite unexpected occurs, you will hear  
from me on the Hetton Affair, on the 24<sup>th</sup>.  
or 25<sup>th</sup>. I don't think your Neighbours in the  
College will approve of the doctrine contained in

21.

Walls-end 8<sup>th</sup>. Jany. 1829

Dear Sir

I am afraid, from the long delay which  
has taken place in my replying to your Letter of  
the 12<sup>th</sup>. Nov. last, that you will think I have  
entirely lost sight of your Quarry affair. Not  
so however, but various circumstances have till  
yesterday prevented me from getting anything like  
a clear understanding on this Subject with  
M<sup>r</sup>. Milton. I now have it in my Power

the "Law Tract". I expect to be in Durh<sup>m</sup>.  
shortly & will do myself the pleasure of calling upon you

I am Dear Sir  
very Sincerely yours'

Geo: T. Fox Esq. }  
Durham }

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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to say, that I believe I can let your Quarry at the yearly Rent of £70 at least to the Commissioners of the Wear, they being at every expence of working the Stone &c. Should this meet your approbation, I will on hearing from you endeavour, to close the bargain immediately, and

remain D<sup>r</sup>. Sir

Major Byers }  
London }

yours truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

22.

Newcastle on Tyne  
6<sup>th</sup>. Feb. 1831

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 3<sup>d</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. and in reply, can only say that I am not authorized to depart mator[iably] from Lord Londonderrys directions with Respect to the settling of your Acco<sup>t</sup>. His Ldp's directions to me, are to give you an Acceptance for one half the Amo<sup>t</sup>. at 6 Mo. viz £ 379..2..0. The only deviation which I feel myself at li[b]erty to make is to give you an Acceptance for ½ at 5 & ½ at 6 Mo. of this Sum. If therefore you will draw on Lord L. for £189..11..0 at 5 Months and £189..11..0 at 6 Mo: and Send the Bills to me, I will

23.

Newcastle 11<sup>th</sup>. Mar: 1831

My Dear Sir

Your Letter of the 5<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. has only reached me to day by the hands of a friend.

I meant of have called upon you before I left Town, but was hurried off sooner than I expected, on the Evening of the 2<sup>d</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>.

Lord Londonderry having taken upon himself the Affair of the Loan on the Life Policy I am not authorized at present, to negotiate any arrangement for its liquidation, and can therefore, only Refer you to his Lordship on the Subject. I am however, aware, that his Lordship is anxious to liquidate this Loan as

accept them Pble. at S<sup>r</sup>. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Esdail B<sup>t</sup>. & C<sup>os</sup>. – Please  
to date the Bills the 4<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>.

I am Dear Sir  
M<sup>r</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Croggan                      Yours truly  
Belvedere Road                      Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle  
Lambeth  
London  
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soon as possible.

I am my dear Sir  
Sam<sup>l</sup>. Amory Esq<sup>r</sup>. }                      your's Sincerely  
25 Throgmorton S<sup>t</sup>. }                      Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle  
London }

24.

Newcastle 12<sup>th</sup>. Mar 1831

Dear Sir

I have received your Letter of  
the 10<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. with your two Bills for  
£189..11..0 each drawn on the Marq<sup>s</sup>. of  
Londonderry, at 5 & 6 Mo: from the 4<sup>th</sup>  
Ins<sup>t</sup>. & which I now Return, with my  
Acceptance, since I undertook the  
management of Lord L\_'s Cash Concerns  
have been dishonoured, and I expect to be  
able to meet the enclosed with equal  
regularity

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Sir  
M<sup>r</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Croggan                      your's truly  
Belvedere Road                      Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle  
Lambeth  
London

25.

Newcastle 20<sup>th</sup>. Mar. 1831

Dear Sir

Your Note of the 9<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>.  
has been Sent to me, but the business of  
the Durham Election has prevented me  
from replying to it sooner.

I am really So Poor at Present that  
I don't Know how to turn myself for Money  
I must therefore request you will be so good  
as to draw upon Lord Londonderry for the  
£93..4..7 at 2 Mo: from the 21<sup>st</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. with  
Int<sup>t</sup>. added having been a Money Paym<sup>t</sup>. &  
draw for the £100..12..0 at the longest date  
you possibly can. Send the Bills to me  
& I will accept them Pble at Esdaile & C<sup>os</sup>.

I am Dear Sir  
M<sup>r</sup>. J. Fleetham                      Yours truly

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Norway Wharf  
Westminster

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

26.

Walls-end 18<sup>th</sup>. Feb: 1833

My Dear Sir

I have this morning received your Letter of 16<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. and assure you, that with yourself, I deeply regret the present unsatisfactory State of the £5000 affair – between Lor L. & M<sup>r</sup>. Amory.

I am quite aware of the Kindness of your interactions throughout the whole of this affair and am sure of the Sincerity of your desire to have it placed on a more satisfactory footing

I can tell you, that I believe it was Lord L\_'s intention to have made a considerable Paym<sup>t</sup>. to M<sup>r</sup>. A. in liquidation of this Loan, before this time – but unfortunately the late Durham Election, came unexpectedly in the Way & upon the back of it came the Stop of the Colliers which Still continues & may continue for  
the

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for the remainder of the Month.

This is cutting our means very short but I feel Satisfied that it is Lord L\_'s wish and intention to make M<sup>r</sup>. A\_ a payment, as Soon as he possibly can

I am my dear Sir  
yours' Sincerely  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

P. Rawlings Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
N<sup>o</sup>.3. Mortimer S<sup>t</sup>.  
Cavendish Square  
London

**27.**

Walls-end 28<sup>th</sup>. July 1833

Dear Sir

About Six Months ago, I had occasion to view the Workings of the Ouston Colliery, and observed that they were getting into a Situation, which at no distant period would bring them into contact with Warwick's Birtley Coal, and noticed the circumstance to M<sup>r</sup>. Easton – the Viewer of the Colliery; who promised to apprise me, as soon as he was in a Situation to make an offer for the Coal.

Nothing further occurred 'till yesterday when M<sup>r</sup>. Easton, informed me, that he was ready for to treat for the Coal, and offered 12/ 6 P. ten for it.

This offer he made on the principle of the Coal at the Rate costing the Co. the same Money as their own Coal, for which they pay 20/- P. Ten And as they pay the Ouston Lessors 7/ 6 P. Ten Outstroke on all Coals wro<sup>t</sup>. Out of adjoining Colls. this 7/ 6 added to 12/ 6 would make the tentale

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**28.**

Walls-end 28<sup>th</sup>. July 1833

Dear Smart

On coming home last Evening I found a Mortgage Deed for £300 with a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Marshall of Durham requestg. my Signature to the Deed – as Trustee. I regret to find that you have felt it necessary to resort to borrowing so large a Sum on Mortgage, as I consider it the First Step in the road to ruin. But as it is entirely your own affair, you must take your own way in it – only before I Sign the Deed, I would wish to see you – if therefore, you will come to Newcastle either next Friday, or Sa. You will find me at the Arcade, and I will bring the Deed with me

I am Dear Smart  
yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. Smart Atkinson  
Headworth  
South Shields

29.

Newcastle, Tyne 20<sup>th</sup>. July 1833

Sir

In reply to your Letter of 26<sup>th</sup>.

Ins<sup>t</sup>. I beg to inform you, that I handed my Report, as to the terms, for the renewal of the Ouston Colliery Lease, to M<sup>r</sup>. Brockett – Solicitor of this Town, about a Fortnight ago.

I called upon M<sup>r</sup>. Brockett yesterday in consequence of the receipt of your Letter, who informed me, that he had forwarded my Report to M<sup>r</sup>. Vernon – so that, by this time, I presume you will have received it from that Gentleman.

Your most obed Serv<sup>t</sup>.

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

James Currie Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
3 New Square  
Lincoln's Inn  
London

30.

Stages travelled on a tour in Wales with M<sup>r</sup>. A.

Donkin.

Bromsgrove – – – –	13	Conway	14
Worcester – – – – –	13	Abergelly	12
Malvern – – – – –	8	S <sup>t</sup> . Asaph	7
Ledbury – – – – –	9	Holywell – – – – –	10
Ross – – – – –	13	Chester – – – – –	18
Monmouth – – – – –	10	Woodside – – – – –	17
Ragland – – – – –	8	Liverpool – – – – –	1
Abergavenny – – – –	9	Railway Stat <sup>n</sup> .	2
Merthyr – – – – –	20	Manchester – – – – –	32
	<u>103</u>	Rochdale – – – – –	12
To Leeds – – – –	93	Halifax – – – – –	16
Birmingham – <u>108</u>	201	Leeds – – – – –	16
To Merthyr – – – – –	<u>304</u>		79
Return		Leeds to Newcastle	93
Merthyr to Bricon – –	18		250
Bielt [Builth] – – – – –	22	[From] Myrther to	}
Rhayader – – – – –	14	Bangor – – – – –	
Hafod – – – – –	19		182
	<u>73</u>		432
Aboristwith – – – – –	12	To Merthyr – – – – –	304
Machynlleth – – – – –	18	Total – – – – –	<u>736</u>
Dolgelly – – – – –	17		47
Barmouth – – – – –	10		
Harloch – – – – –	10		
Tanybwllch – – – – –	10		

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Biddgelert -----	10
Carnaevon -----	13
Bangor -----	9    62
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31.

Walls-end 20<sup>th</sup>. Oct<sup>r</sup>. 1834

Mr. Dear [Friend]

Annexed I Send you our late route by Stages, leaving you to fill up the details.

I think you should lose no time in seeing M<sup>r</sup>. Clayton on the Stella Grand Lease affair, as no good will arise from temporizing with Hedgefield.

Yours faithfully

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

A. Donkin Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Arcade }

Miles

Durham -----	15	Wakefield -----	9
Rushford -----	9	Barnsley -----	10
Darlington -----	9	Sheffield -----	14
Catterick Bridge	12	Chesterfield -----	12
Leeming Lane -----	11	Alfreton -----	10
Ripon -----	10	Derby -----	14
Harrogate -----	11	Burton -----	11
Leeds -----	16	Lichfield -----	12
	<hr/>	Birmingham -----	16
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32.

Walls-end 4<sup>th</sup>. Dec 1836

Dear Sir

I was duly favoured with your Letter of 17<sup>th</sup>. Sep. at which time you seemed to think Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Charlesworth were likely to agree with Mr. Bowes for the purchase of his Colliery. I shall be glad to Know, if the bargain was Concluded, and what was the ultimate result of the influx of the Water. Was the Colliery drowned up – or were the Engines able to draw the Water?

Can you inform me if the Seams of Coal at Wakefield, are the Same, as the Rothwell-haigh Seams, and what Seams are wrought at Lord Burgishs' Colliery. Is the Coal in his Lordships Colliery, of as good quality as yours?

I am D Sir

yours' truly

M<sup>r</sup>. Locke

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Rothwell Haigh.

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**33.**Walls-end 12<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I beg to inform you that I am on the Pavé again, and am ready to attend to any business you may have for me.

The Lease of Lady Barringtons Warden-Law Mines & Quarries come in Course of renewal on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Ulto: I will therefore trouble you to furnish me with the date & Conditions &c. of the Lease – to enable me to examine and Report on the Property to M<sup>r</sup>. Gresley

I am Dear Sir  
yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Thos. Davison Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Durham }

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**34.**Walls-end 12<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I expected to have met you in Newcastle yesterday, but as I had not that pleasure I write to say that I am ready to see you at any time that may Suit our mutual Convenience to settle the terms of the Boldon, and Whitburn Coal Lease

I am Dear Sir  
yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Mr. William Anderson }  
Barnes }  
South Shields }

**35.**Walls-end 16<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I received your favour of the 14<sup>th</sup>. on returning, here, from Pensher last night. I expect to see M<sup>r</sup>. Th. Forster

**36.**D Walls-end 16<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I found your Letter of the 28<sup>th</sup>. Ap: with M<sup>r</sup>. J.A. Forsters of the 27<sup>th</sup>. annexed on Return, here from London.

in Newcastle next Saturday, and will endeavour to appoint an early opportunity with him for making the Valuations al- luded to. And Name an Umpire.

I am Dear Sir  
yours' faithfully  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Jo<sup>s</sup>. Pease Esq<sup>r</sup>. M.P.

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And have written M<sup>r</sup>. F. to appoint a meeting with him at Pensher, on the Subject of your Coal, next Friday at Pensher, from whence I will write you the result of our discussions – and if necessary will see you I will not how- ever conclude any Agree<sup>t</sup>. with him de- finitively without your concurrence

I am D<sup>r</sup> Sir  
yours' faithfully

F.D. Johnson Esq<sup>r</sup>. Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

36.

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Walls-end 16<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I shall be glad if you can make it convenient to come to me at Pensher on the mornng. of tomorrow Week (Friday the 24<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>.) as I wish to see you on the Subject of your application to M<sup>r</sup>. Johnson for his Coal at Ayklyheads.

If it would Suit your convenience to come to Pensher on the Thursday Eveng. and take a Bed there, I shall be very glad to see you.

Please to drop me a Line by Return to say if this appointment will Suit you

37.

Walls-end 20<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 17<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. Stating the offer you have received from a respectable party for your Coal conjointly with M<sup>r</sup>. Wilkinson's. The certain Rents named, w<sup>d</sup>. I presume have to be apportional according to the N<sup>o</sup>. of Acres contained in each of your Estates respectively. As I do not know the extent of the two Estates either jointly, or Separately I cannot form an opinion as to whether the Amo<sup>t</sup>. of certain Rent named may be liberal or otherwise

I have received a Line from M<sup>r</sup>. Jn<sup>o</sup>. Forster

that I may make my arrangements accordingly

I am D<sup>r</sup> Sir  
yours' truly

M<sup>r</sup>. J.A. Forster  
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Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

this mornng. to say that he will come to me at Pensher next Friday Eveng. on the Subject of your Coal. I shall therefore feel obliged if you will in the mean time Send me a Sketch of your Estate, with the N<sup>o</sup>. of Acres it Contains

together with any further observations you may have to offer on the Subject.

It is not true that Lord Durham has Purchased the Framwellgate New Colliery

The Newton-hall Coal is let to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Backhouse & Bell – with the exception of the Small tract which [derelicts] into L<sup>d</sup>. Durhams Lease-hold Coal and is let to his Ldp. but Backhouse & Bell's Part is not as far as I Know to be worked by Outstroke in the manner alluded to.

I am Dear Sir  
yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

F.D. Johnson Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Aykleyheads }

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38.

Walls-end 25<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I am sorry to find that you were disappointed in not finding me at Newcastle last Friday – but it unduly happened that your Letter did not reach me in time at Pensher to enable me to go to Newcastle, till after you had left. I will however be glad to meet you at Newcastle, next Friday the 31<sup>st</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. at 12 o' Clock as you propose – I will call at the George at that Hour, and if I don't happen to meet with you there, will wait at my Office in the Arcade 'till you call.

I saw M<sup>r</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Anderson yesterday and Signed the P[ri]tscript, by M<sup>r</sup>. Griffith to the Boldon & Whitburn Agree<sup>t</sup>.

I am Dear Sir  
Th. Davison Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Ducham }  
Your's truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

39.

Walls-end 26<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

James

Will you be so good as to take the Lithographed Plan of Seaham Town to M<sup>r</sup>. Ryle, and get him to put upon it the quantity of Land to be reserved for building Gro<sup>d</sup>. According to the Acc<sup>t</sup>. he gave me last Thursday. Let this be coloured on the plan, and when you have done so, (and the sooner it is done the better). Send it by Coach to John Gregson Esq<sup>r</sup>. 18 Bedford Row London. Your's &c.

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. James Oliver

Pensher

40.

Walls-end 26<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

My Dear Sir

I have your's of 24<sup>th</sup>. this Mornng. and have written to M<sup>r</sup>. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Oliver to forward you the plan of Seaham Town Forthwith. Hunter I am Sorry to say is very poorly & has been ordered to Middleton by his Doctor. The poor fellow has never recovered the bullying he rece<sup>d</sup>. from L<sup>d</sup>. L. at Seaham, the last time his Ldp. Was there. This with other teazings & waryings from the same quarter has so Shaken Hunter's nerves that he is like to get into a low way and I believe he will either give up his Situation altogether, or at least the Cashier-part of it – And Confine himself to his legitimate Office – the Viewing. H cannot longer put up with L<sup>d</sup>. L\_'s, ungentleman-like & harsh Conduct

I am My D<sup>r</sup>. Sir

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Gregson Esq<sup>r</sup>. } Yours faithfully  
18 Bedford Row } Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Newcastle, Tyne 26<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your's of the 24<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>.

As soon as I can name a time for visiting you will write to name the precise time that I will be at Tadcaster

I shall be, very glad to avail myself of M<sup>r</sup>. Embleton's able Assistance, as also of the Kind Offer of your hospitality.

I am Dear Sir

Yours' truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. Thos. Kesll

Braham near

Weatherby

[Bud-60-1]

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Walls-end 27<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

My Dear Sir

I have your's of the 15<sup>th</sup>. this Mornng. My Letter of yesterday will inform you that I have requested Ja<sup>s</sup>. Oliver to send you the Plan of Seaham Town & building ground which you require & which will I expect be forwarded this day or tomorrow

We worked all the Coal out of Biddick some time ago – So there is none to reserve

I have M<sup>r</sup>. Mortons Letter to which you allude – it will be amongst my Papers at Pensher. I will look for it tomorrow, or Wed. and send it you. I think M<sup>r</sup>. Ward has hold of the "wrong end of the Broom-Stick" in the Trimdon Question, Year view of the Case in my opinion is the right one. Hunter is better & would soon be well if he was removed from his present

Situation

Yours my D<sup>r</sup>. Sir truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Gregson Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
18 Bedford Row }

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Walls-end 28<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

To  
M<sup>r</sup>. Sopwith

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Walls-end 28<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

Dear Sopwith

I have received yours of yesterday  
this Morning.

I have an appointment at my  
Office at Twelve next Friday, which will not oc-  
cupy me more than an Hour, or two – after  
which if convenient to you, we may get a Spell  
at Sir E. Blacketts' business.

I regret that I cannot attend the Meeting  
at the Central Exchange to day as I am under  
an engagement to be at Benwell, and Tantobie

If I regret this the more as I should  
have Supported the Saints & voted for Shutting  
up the Room on the Sundays – provided  
they would agree to Shut up their Gospel Shops  
at the same time and thus come to an  
amicable Compromise. It would be pleasent  
enough to touch the Blunt from the Office

I have not rec<sup>d</sup>. an Answer to my Letter  
about the Survey yet.

Yours faithfully

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

[Bud-60-1]

I beg to apprise you that  
M<sup>r</sup>. T. Forster have appointed Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup>.  
of June, to meet at

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[43a]

Walls-end 28<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I beg to apprise you that I have

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Newcastle 8<sup>th</sup>. June 1839

My Dear Sir

I rece<sup>d</sup>. your's of the 25<sup>th</sup>. of

appointed Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup>. June with M<sup>r</sup> Th. Forster to commence the Valuation of the Adelaides & Cockfield Collieries – and that we shall meet at the former, at 9 o'Clock on the Mornng. of that day. Will you therefore be so good as to prepare the Agents to expect us and to have every thing in readiness to set us to work

We have appointed M<sup>r</sup>. Th. Taylor of Earsdon (Nephew of [Hau]) our Umpire, and Ra. Coulthard, the Engineer to value the Stock

I am Dear Sir  
yours' faithfully  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Ja<sup>s</sup>. Pease Esq<sup>r</sup>. M.P.  
Darlington

[Bud-60-1]

May in due Course-previous to which I had heard from our friend Foord on the same Subject. I have been in communication with one of our most respectable Share Brokers on the Sale of your 20 Shares of the Stanhope & Tyne Railway.

To day he informs me that he has got a Chap in his Eyes for them, but that it will be ten days before he can secure a positive answer from him. He is opinion that the Shares will be more valuable in the course of Six Months.

Of course I will not mention your name [tratr<sup>d</sup>] the State of the transaction renders it necessary

As soon as anything further occurs in this matter you shall hear from me again

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Sir Your's faithfully

A. Humphrey's Esq<sup>r</sup>. } Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle  
22 Upper Wimpole S<sup>t</sup>. }  
London }

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[44a]

Newcastle 8<sup>th</sup>. June 1839

Dear Sir

I have seen M<sup>r</sup>. J. A. Forster relative to the commencement of your Colliary Rent, last Mail<sup>s</sup>. He finds it necessary to Consult the Co: on the Subject, and will not

45.

Walls-end 13<sup>th</sup>. June 1839

M<sup>r</sup>. J.F. Grant

Sir

In reply to your's of yesterday, I beg to inform you that I hold a Receipt £15517.7 dated Wellington June

be able to give me an Answer, 'till about  
this day Week.

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Sir

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

F.D. Johnson Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Aykleyheads }

[Bud-60-1]

1837 and Signed Chapman & Pats – being  
the Amo<sup>t</sup>. Due to the Firm for the Out-fit  
of the Ship John Buddle. The Receipt is  
I think in the hand-writing of M<sup>r</sup>. Washington

Potts. I am Sir

Your Obed Serv<sup>t</sup>.

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

46.

Newcastle 13<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I went to Hetton Colliery  
on the 5<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. and informed myself of the  
circumstances of the Warden Lane Coal, so  
as to enable me to report thereon to M<sup>r</sup>.

Gresley when he returns from London

R<sup>t</sup>. Atkinson went to Woodhouse Colly.  
on the 6<sup>th</sup>. but M<sup>r</sup>. Theodore Flintoff having  
taken to himself a Wife, the Day before  
was from home prevented Atkinson.

from getting the Tentale Acco<sup>t</sup>. settled, but  
he will take another, early opportunity to  
get it done

I am Dear Sir

yours' truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Walls-end 16<sup>th</sup>. June 1839

Dear Sir

I have engaged M<sup>r</sup>. Cail  
of Newcastle – to examine the Dam  
at Wynyard, and to estimate the expence  
of raising & repairing it. I have re-  
ferred him to you for information on  
the Subject, and he will call upon you  
next Tuesday for that purpose

yours' truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. John Hickely

Wynyard Park

Th. Davison Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Durham }  
[Bud-60-1]

48. [48]

Walls-end 16<sup>th</sup>. May 1839

Dear Sir

I have written to M<sup>r</sup>. Hickely at Wynyard to apprise him that you will be there next Tuesday – when he will give you all the requisite information relative, to the raising & repairing of the Dam, which I mentioned to you Yesterday

yours' truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. Rich<sup>d</sup>. Cail }  
44 Northumberland }  
Street }  
Newcastle }

[Bud-60-1]

48. [48a]

J.B. Foord Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Walls-end 30<sup>th</sup>. June 1839

My Dear Sir

I lost no time after the receipt of your's of the 27<sup>th</sup>. In seeing Brough & getting all matters arranged with him so as to be at Liverpool on the 6<sup>th</sup>. July.

I have advanced him £60 for his out-fit and enclose a duplicate of his Agree<sup>t</sup>.

He is a most repectable young Man, in his Station & I will thank you to send a Letter to meet him at Liverpool – addressed to

49. [48b]

your Agent at Halifax – to attend to him on his arrival there, and to assist him in obtaining a passage to Sydney. I shall give him a Letter to M<sup>r</sup>. Carr, and have written to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Fairlough & Frost, as you request.

49. [48b]

Walls-end, Newcastle on Tyne

Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Fairleugh & Frost

June 30<sup>th</sup>. 1839

Tobley S<sup>t</sup>. Liverpool

My Dear Sir

I write by desire of M<sup>r</sup>. Foord

I have the utmost confidence in Brough's  
answering our best expectations & remain

My Dear Sir  
your's faithfully  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

J.B. Foord Esq<sup>r</sup>.

[Bud-60-1]

to apprise you that M<sup>r</sup>. Brough, Engineer, with  
his Wife and 4 Children will be at Liverpool  
ready to embark in the "Halifax" – for Halifax  
next Sa. the 6<sup>th</sup>. July. His Children are 7, 5,  
and 3 years of Age, and an Infant 4 Months  
Old. I will thank you to drop me a Line  
by Return addressed to Pensher – Houghton-  
"le-Spring, Durham" – to say if the Halifax  
will really be ready to Sail, on the 6<sup>th</sup>. or not  
'till a later day – as I sh<sup>d</sup>. not like to have  
M<sup>r</sup>. B. & his Family detained in Liverpool waitg.  
'till the Ship is ready. I hope the accom-  
modation will be comfortable & remain Gen<sup>t</sup>.  
Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Fairleugh & Frost } Y<sup>r</sup>. Obed<sup>t</sup>. S<sup>t</sup>.  
Liverpool } Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

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Walls-end 30<sup>th</sup>. June 1839

Dear Sir

I have rec<sup>d</sup>. a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>.  
Foord which will enable me to talk further  
with you on the Subject of y<sup>r</sup>. affair with the  
Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Rennie – but when is the opportunity  
for this talk to occur?

I Start for London next Sund<sup>y</sup>. and shall  
be on the Wing all this Week – unless therefore

51.

Walls-end 6<sup>th</sup>. July 1839

Dear Sir

I have at length gained  
such information relative to the Stanhope  
Lime-trade, as enables me to say that I ap-  
prehended there is very little if any chance of M<sup>r</sup>.  
Clarkes Quarries being let at the present time  
The Stanhope & Tyne C<sup>os</sup>. Speculation in the  
Lime-trade has proved a failure, and they

you can Short Flying you will have no chance to Catch me. I will be at Pensher on Wed. Mg –Wed. Eveng. & Thursday Mornng. And at the Lambton Arms Chester-le-Street on Wed from 1 o’Clock ‘till Five. So if you can Contrive to Catch me at any of these points I will be glad to See you & remain

D<sup>r</sup>. Sir Your’s truly

M<sup>r</sup>. Tim: Hackworth

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Shildon

[Bud-60-1]

mean to give it up next [Marl<sup>s</sup>.]. They intend to offer the Railway & Machinery for Sale & if they do not Succeed – they will pull up the way and Sell off Materials.

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Sir

Your’s truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Stamthorp Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Hexham }

**52.**

Walls-end 21<sup>st</sup>. July 1839

Dear Sir

I received your Letter of the 19<sup>th</sup>. on returning from London last night where I had an opportunity of Submitting the Df<sup>t</sup>. of the Edmondsley Coal Lease to M<sup>rs</sup>. Coulthurst, and will Send it to you by next Saturday

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Sir

Your’s truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Ogden Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Solicitor }  
Sunderland }

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Walls-end 21<sup>st</sup>. July 1839

Dear Sir

On returning home from Gloucestershire, last Night I found a Letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Jo<sup>s</sup>. Forster, enclosing a Stat<sup>t</sup>. of the Rental of the Manor of Gateshead & Referring me to you for a Stat<sup>t</sup>. of the Colly. Rent. If therefore you feel disposed to furnish me with such Acco<sup>t</sup>. with a view to a Renewal of the Lease, I shall be glad to see you at the Arcade next Saturday & remain D<sup>r</sup>. Sir

Your’s truly

[Bud-60-1]

M<sup>r</sup>. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Easton      Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle  
Hebburn Colliery

**54.**

Walls-end 21<sup>st</sup>. July 1839

Sir

I reply to yours of the 18<sup>th</sup>. Ins<sup>t</sup>. I beg to inform you that the Sydney Co. Cape Breton & the Gen<sup>l</sup>. Mining Association are one and the same party & that M<sup>r</sup>. Foord is the Secterary. I have no doubt whatever that the several Acco<sup>ts</sup>. to which you refer were all duly discharged by M<sup>r</sup>. Foord

M<sup>r</sup>. Foords Address is "General Mining Association 32 Old Broad Street London"

I am Sir

Your most Obed. S<sup>t</sup>.

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. J.F. Grant

M<sup>r</sup>. R. Walters'

Office

[Bud-60-1]

**55**

Walls-end 28<sup>th</sup>. July 1839

My Dear Sir

I received your Letter of the 25<sup>th</sup>. Yesterday, by which I regret to learn that the Waggon-Wheels have not given Satisfaction. I saw D. Beven yesterday on the Subject – he says the Wheels were certainly Shipped in [hasete], and the Sand was not so well cleaned off them as those formerly Sent but he thinks the account of their Roughness, and requiring so much chipping is a little exaggerated and cannot think them so bad as represented.

The Iron Gear for the other Order is completed but before they are Shipped I will have them examined by Thorman, who will not I am sure Suffer them to pass unless they are in a proper finished State

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Nesham, the Engineer from Sydney put up his appearance Yesterday, and bro<sup>t</sup>. me Letters from Carr – dated 3<sup>d</sup>. May, at which time the Port was still Shut with Ice. He gives a favourable report of the State of the Colliery, but complains of the want of Vend – altho' he thinks the

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prospect of the present Season better than the last. Nesham says he does not think M<sup>r</sup>. Carr will be able to continue much longer at Sydney, as he cannot bear the Cold during the Winter, and thinks that another Winter will “about finish him” – I hope, however he may be mistaken in this.

I paid Nesham the £50 formerly ordered to be paid to his Wife, and enclose his Receipt for the same. He is anxious to have his Acco<sup>t</sup>. settled – he left the Works at the end of April on Notice by M<sup>r</sup>. Carr given on the 29<sup>th</sup>. Jany. – and I suppose he will have to be paid his Wages up to yesterday, and in a few days, and make a Statem<sup>t</sup>. of his Acc<sup>t</sup>. which I will forward to you for the Cons<sup>s</sup>. of the Board, and remain

My D<sup>r</sup>. Sir  
Your's faithfully  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

J.B. Foord Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
Gen<sup>l</sup>. Mining Ass<sup>n</sup>. }

[Bud-60-1]

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Newcastle Tyne 28<sup>th</sup>. July

1839

Dear Sir

Before your Lease of the Ed-  
monslsey Coal can be completed, it is  
necessary to inquire whether M<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup>. Coulthurst  
is only Tenant for Life, and if so an ab-  
stract, or Copy of the Will, or Settlement un-  
der which She is entitled must be fur-  
nished. Please to give me this informa-  
tion, at your early convenience, as Friend  
John, is anxious to get the Lease completed

I am Dear Sir  
your's faithfully  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

W. M. Coulthurst Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
59 Strand }

57.

Newcastle, Tyne 28<sup>th</sup>. July 1839

My Dear Sir

58.

Walls-end Newcastle on Tyne

29<sup>th</sup>. July 1839

On balancing the Tanfield-moor  
Colly. Books for 1838 a Balance of £204..14..11  
appears over and above the £2500 remitted to  
M<sup>r</sup>. Mayorebanks' Acco<sup>t</sup>. will you be so  
good as to inform me whether this Bal<sup>ce</sup>.  
is to be remitted to M<sup>r</sup>. M\_'s, or your  
Acco<sup>t</sup>.? We unfortunately lost £343..18..5  
by the failure of Worster the Coal Factor  
last year, or the Profit would have been  
£3048..13..4 – we must hope for better luck  
this Year.

I am my Dear Sir  
your's faithfully  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Parkinson Esq<sup>r</sup>. }  
66 Lincolns Inn Fields }  
[Bud-60-1]

Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt  
of your Letter of the 27<sup>th</sup>. The delay of your  
journey to the North will not at all inconvenience  
me – but when you are enabled to fix the time, you  
can be in Newcastle, I will feel obliged by your  
giving me as early notice as you can – and if  
you can make it convenient on a Friday, or Satdy.  
it would suit me all the better

I am Sir

Your most Obed. S<sup>t</sup>.

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

W<sup>m</sup>. Bagge Esq<sup>r</sup>. M.P.  
Madsett Hall  
Downham Market  
Norfolk.

**59**

Walls-end 30<sup>th</sup>. July 1839

Dear Sir

Just as I was on the point of  
Sending you the Df<sup>t</sup>. of the Lease for the  $\frac{2}{3}$  ds.  
of the Edmondsley Coal, last Saturday, I found  
it necessary to write to M<sup>r</sup>. Coulthurst – to  
inquire whether M<sup>rs</sup>. Coulthurst, is only Tenant  
for Life, and if so, to send an abstract of

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Pensher 1<sup>st</sup>. Aug<sup>t</sup>. 1839

Dear Sirs

I receive your message by  
M<sup>r</sup>. James Oliver yesterday & beg to in-  
form you that M<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>.Donnell will be  
here, next Week, and will I am sure  
feel disposed to meet your wishes, as  
far as he can consistently with our plan

the Will, or Settlement, under which She is entitled. I required an Answer, as soon as possible, and on it's receipt you shall hear from me without delay

I am Dear Sir  
Your's truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Ogden Esq<sup>f</sup>.  
Solicitor  
Sunderland

[Bud-60-1]

of vending an increased quantity of Coals at Seaham

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Sirs  
Your's truly  
Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Messrs. Tanner, Beckwith  
& Scurfield  
Sunderland

61.

[48b]

Newcastle 2<sup>d</sup>. Aug<sup>t</sup>. 1839

Dear Geo:

I have your Letter of the 31<sup>st</sup>. Ulto. this Morng. by which I am glad to learn that you are going on so well at Harrogate, altho' the Weather is so much against you.

I have also a Letter from M<sup>c</sup>.Donnell this Morng. in which he says he will be at Seaham to-morrow, or Sunday to dinner – but as he has changed his mind 2 or 3 times, I don't Know if this will stand good. He says his stay will be very Short, but says nothing about Lord L\_'s coming, I however gather from other quarters, that he will be down in a

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I have been with Tanner & Scurfield on the Subject of their Acco<sup>t</sup>. – they are ready to receive their Money but plead hard not to have the Coals taken from them, before the end of the year & we must contrive to let them down as easily as we can. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Oliver has made out the Acco<sup>t</sup>. – the Bal<sup>ce</sup>. due to them is £6930..11..9½ which is more than your Statement – which arises from their having given Bills for £269..8..0 more than they have got Coals for.

I have got the Estimates of the Seam Rail-way finished, with Thorman, by which it appears, that if we by the Way & Machinery & work it ourselves we can do it for £7000 a Year less than the Reduced

few Weeks days – probably on Wed. or Thursdy.  
next. This I doubt will bring you from H\_gate  
sooner than otherwise would have been necessary

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Terms proposed by Hunt & Co: Heaven & Earth  
ought therefore, to be Raised to effect the Purchase

Give my Love to Mary Ann

I am D<sup>r</sup>. Geo:

Your's truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

M<sup>r</sup>. Geo: Hunter.

Harrogate

62.

Newcastle 2<sup>d</sup>. Aug<sup>t</sup>. 1839

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge  
the receipt of your Letter of yesterday, and  
as I expect to meet you at Chester, on  
Monday next, we can then talk over the  
Business to which it alludes.

I am Dear Sir

Your's truly

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Buddle

Jn<sup>o</sup>. Flintoff Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
Wood-house Close  
Colliery  
Bishops Auckland

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