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Guide to the

Catherine Gordon Byron manuscript material

1787-1810

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Summary

Creator: Byron, Catherine Gordon, 1764?-1811

Title: Catherine Gordon Byron manuscript material

Date: 1787-1810

Size: 10 items

Abstract: Catherine Byron, née Gordon, mother of Byron, the English poet. To James Cawthorn, publisher : 1 autograph letter signed : 5 Feb 1810 : (B'ANA 0179) : 2 pages (double sheet) : from Newstead Abbey : asking about recent reviews of her son's English Bards and Scotch Reviewers; begins, "I wrote to you the 24th or 25th of last month, and am surprised that I have received no answer." Mounted in album of Lord Byron Family Friends; shelved as *Pforz 558L 10.

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Creator History

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Scope and Content Note

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· To James Clerk, Esq. at 222 Princes Street, Edinburgh : 2 letters : -- 1 autograph letter signed : 11 Nov 1805 : (B'ANA 0525a) : 4 pages (double sheet) + letter cover (single sheet) : from Southwell : begins, "The death of Mr. Watson has given me much uneasiness ..."; along with a manuscript copy of Clerk's 26 Nov reply (B'ANA 0525b). -- 1 autograph letter signed : 1 Dec 1805 : (B'ANA 0526) : [no place] : 1 1/_ pages (double sheet) : begins, "I received your letter with a bill for seventy five pound

enclosed being the interest of £3000 from Whitsuntide to Martinmas ...".

· To Mary Morrison Duff, friend of the family : 1 autograph letter signed : 15 Apr 1799 : (B'ANA 0627) : from Newstead Abbey : 3 1/_ pages (double sheet) : discussing her son's deformed foot; begins, "I was favored with your letter some time ago ..." Published in full with commentary as SC 770 Shelley and his Circle v. IX, p. 43-58.

· To John Hanson, solicitor : 4 items : -- 1 autograph check signed : 31 May 1803 : (B'ANA 0654) : from Nottingham : 1 page (single sheet) : for £27.18.0 to go to Messrs. Wright & Co. -- 1 autograph check signed : 18 Jul 1804 : (B'ANA 0687) : from Southwell : 1 page (single sheet) : for £50 to go to W. Cheetham. Mounted on leaf following p. 10 in v. I of the grangerized copy of Nichol's Byron. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 20 Sep 1804 : (B'ANA 0531) : from Southwell : 1 page (double sheet) : wanting half of address leaf; begins, "You will be so good as give Byron fifteen pounds ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 25 Jun 1805 : (B'ANA 0653) : from Southwell : 3 pages (double sheet) : begins, "I have this day drawn on you for eighty pounds at three months date ...".

· To Frances Leigh, her sister-in-law : 1 autograph letter signed : 27 Mar 1791 : (B'ANA 0081) : from Aberdeen : 2 pages (double sheet) : begins, "I received your letter some time ago and would have answered it sooner but do not like to make you pay so much for postages of letters that I am sure can not amuse you ..." Published in full with commentary as SC 371 in Shelley and his Circle v. IV, p. 906-907.

· To James Watson, Writer to the Signet, her legal agent in Edinburgh : 1 autograph letter signed : 11 Nov 1787 : (B'ANA 0737) : 1 page (double sheet) : from Paris : written during the last months of her pregnancy; begins, "I have drawn upon you for the sum of Three Hundred pounds at two months which is the time that Lord Aberdeens Bond becomes due ...".

Key Terms

Subjects

Mothers of authors -- Great Britain -- 19th century -- Correspondence

Names

Byron, Catherine Gordon, 1764?-1811 -- Correspondence.

Byron, George Gordon Byron, Baron, 1788-1824 -- Childhood and youth.

Byron, George Gordon Byron, Baron, 1788-1824 -- Family.

Cawthorn, James, -1833

Duff, Mary Morrison

Hanson, John, 1755-1841

Watson, James, 1747-1805