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Guide to the

William Cobbett manuscript material

1802-1830

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Summary

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Creator History

William Cobbett, English political writer and farmer.

Scope and Content Note

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: 1¹/₂ pages (double sheet) : on the subject of the duel fought between the Prime Minister, the Duke of Wellington, and Lord Winchelsea in Battersea Fields the previous day; begins, "If this be not sport, the Devil is in it! What! The Boroughmongers shot at by the 'hero of Waterloo' ...".|||To Montagu Burgoyne, politician : 1 autograph letter signed : 24 Feb 1807 : (MISC 3602b) : from Betley : 1 page (single sheet) : begins, "By the date you will perceive that I am not so near you, as you thought ..."; includes, "...I am very anxious to possess an Essex dog.".|||To John Clewer, an associate : 1 autograph letter signed : 30 Jun [1806?] : (MISC 3604) : [no place] : 1 page (single sheet) : begins, "The Volume containing the Population Returns for the whole kingdom of England and Wales is worth your acceptance, & is not to be got for money ..." With a note in a later hand at the top of the letter: "Mr. Cobbett used always to speak in the most contemptuous terms of the poor man to whom this is addressed.".|||To Mr. Cook, draper, of Dudley : 1 autograph letter signed : 6 May 1830 : (MISC 3606) : from Wolverhampton : 1 page (double sheet) : begins, "The bearer, Mr. Dean, is my agent, and I send him to you that he may render any assistance that you find necessary for the lecturing this evening.".|||To J. Hardy, shoemaker, of Fleet Street : 1 autograph letter signed : 24 Mar 1815 : (MISC 3562) : from Betley : 1 page (double sheet) : briefly commenting on Napoleon's escape from Elba; begins, "How do you do? How do you do, I say?".|||To William Molineux, printer : 1 autograph note unsigned : [ca. 1815] : (MISC 3601) : [no place] : 1 page (single sheet) : reads in full, "Mr. Molineux will let me know what state he has 'Paper Against Gold' in. How much of it is done?" Mounted to cardstock.|||To A.J. Valpy, classical scholar and printer : 1 autograph letter signed : 18 May 1802 : (MISC 3602a) : from Pall Mall : 2 pages (single sheet) : responding to a letter of praise, remarking on various points in his career; begins, "The constant attention, which, for some days past, I have been compelled to give my business, has prevented me from answering ...".

Key Terms

Subjects

Authors, English -- 19th century -- Correspondence

Titles

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Names

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 Burdett, Francis, 1770-1844
 Burgoyne, Montagu, 1750-1836
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 Clewer, John
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 Hunt, Henry, 1773-1835
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 Napoleon I, Emperor of the French, 1769-1821
 Valpy, Abraham John, 1787-1854
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