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Consisting Of Letters to his Friends, never before printed, And Various
Other Articles

**Chesterfield, Philip Dormer Stanhope of
Dublin, 1777**

Letter XXXIII. To The Same.

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made you suspect very unjustly a change in my sentiments towards you. Be assured that can never happen, I am so well convinced of yours for me: my disorders in my head may, and do very often, render me incapable of writing; but they cannot affect my heart, which will always be warm for my friends: and I am very sure that you are of that number.

Lord Clanbrassil's bill is thrown out at last, and perhaps never the worse, though I approved of it; but it would be so altered and mangled before it had passed the two houses, that it would have been worse than none.

My health and strength decay daily, and of course my spirits. The idle dream of this world is over with me; I am tired of being every thing but of being

Your faithful friend and servant,

CHESTERFIELD.

LETTER XXXIII.

TO THE SAME.

London, April 14, 1758.

MY DEAR LORD,

I Received your kind letter of the 7th. The post is favourable to us both, for I receive your letters, and you escape mine, which are not worth your receiving, but from the interest you take in the health of a faithful friend. I should rather have used the word existence, than that of health, not having been acquainted with the thing these two or three years. I am now comparatively better than I have been this winter, but very far from being what a healthy man would call well. That degree of health I give up entirely; I might as well expect rejuvenescence.

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Your political world in Ireland is now quieted for the time being. May that quiet last; but I do not think it will. You are come to that state in Ireland, which Dr. Brown too truly represents to be the state of England, in his Estimate of the Manners and Principles of the times, of which he has just published a second volume. If you have not already got them, I advise you to apply to my philosophical friend George Faulkner for them. They are writ with spirit and elegance, and are, I fear, too just.

I am, my dear lord,

Your most faithful friend and servant,

CHESTERFIELD.

L E T T E R X X X I V .

T O T H E S A M E

Blackheath, May 23, 1758.

MY DEAR LORD,

I Have received your letter of the 4th instant. The day afterwards I received the book which you was so kind as to send me by major Maccullogh, and the day after that, by Mr. Ruffel, your bill for expences incurred and not provided for, which I have paid.

Now, first to the first. You solicit a very poor employment so modestly, and offer your daughters as security for your good behaviour, that I cannot refuse it you, and do hereby appoint you my sole commissioner for the kingdom of Ireland. To the second. This ninth volume of Swift will not do him so much honour, as I hope it will bring profit to my friend George Faulkner. The historical part * is a party pamphlet, founded on the lie of the day, which, as lord Bolingbroke who had read it often assured me, was coined and delivered out to him, to write Examiners, and other political papers upon.

* The history of the four last years of the queen.

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