

**ANGUS ARCHIVES: MS 620**

MS 620	William Baillie, Writer to the Signet, Montrose.
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MS 620/1

**Correspondence from the William Baillie junior and Robert Baillie to their father William Baillie, Writer to the Signet, Montrose.**

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8 May 1788

Correspondence from William Baillie junior concerning a Mrs Kenzie's unpaid tax dues and the travelling arrangements of the Ladies.

Dated at Edinburgh.

1/2

2 May 1789

Correspondence from William Baillie junior concerning the departure and payment of Mr Forbes. He also expresses concerns about the deficit in his finances. He intimates his intention to return to Montrose for a few day's visit by Leighton's ship.

Dated at Edinburgh.

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27 December 1790

Correspondence from Robert Baillie concerning his household expenses for 3 months.

Dated at Glasgow.

**MS 620/2**

**Business correspondence written to William Baillie, 1777 - 1791.**

- 620/2/1                    7 January 1777  
Correspondence from Adam & Milne, Aberdeen concerning non-payment of a debt by James Millar junior, shoemaker in Brechin.
- 620/2/2                    14 May 1777  
Correspondence from George Adam, Aberdeen concerning a bill for #60 held by Baillie and owed by Convener Millar's son. A few personal comments are made. There is also the intimation of the death of Adam's partner, Mr Milne
- 620/2/3                    19 August 1777  
Correspondence from George Adam, Aberdeen concerning a debt by James Millar junior, shoemaker in Brechin. Adam requests that if Baillie cannot bring the money to Aberdeen, that he would arrange for a Montrose merchant to bring it on market day, such as Mr Brown, Mr Patton, Mr Gleig, Mr Foord or Baillie Low.
- 620/2/4                    23 August 1777  
Correspondence from George Adam, Aberdeen confirming receipt of the monies owed by James Millar junior shoemaker in Brechin, by the hand of Mr [Adam] Glegg.
- 620/2/5                    8 December 1791  
Correspondence from George Anderson, Dundee concerning the payment of feu duties.
- 620/2/6                    1 June 1787  
Correspondence from John Lord Viscount Arbuthnott, Arbuthnott House, concerning the Town of Brechin "throwing money" at Baillie between terms and which he plans to lend out.
- 620/2/7                    22 April 1788  
Correspondence from James Badenach concerning arrangements for meeting on 1 May in Montrose then travel on to Arbroath to arrange the purchase of the lands of Almerieclose.

- 620/2/8                    26 January 1788  
Correspondence from Robert Barclay of Ury concerning instructions to pay accounts and confirming that he has signed the inventory for Major Couper's land in Bervie.
- 620/2/9                    16 July 1788  
Correspondence from Robert Barclay of Ury asking for notification of James Napier's subjects.
- 620/2/10                  15 September 1788  
Correspondence from Robert Barclay of Ury concerning the sale of James Napier's subjects in Bervie to Major Ogilvy.
- 620/2/11                  20 September 1788  
Correspondence from Robert Barclay of Ury concerning his sending Baillie sasines in favour of William Napier dated 1736, and James Napier.
- 620/2/12                  15 November 1788  
Correspondence from Robert Barclay of Ury concerning James Napier's heir and conditions of the sale of Napier's subjects in Bervie.
- 620/2/13                  23 March 1791  
Correspondence from Andrew Bisset, Montrose requesting that Baillie send him details of their last settled account and any subsequent discharged accounts.
- 620/2/14                  11 March 1787  
Correspondence from William Black, Brechin, concerning signing Mrs Balfour's confirmed testament.
- 620/2/15                  3 April 1787  
Correspondence from William Black, Brechin, concerning a missive that Provost Mollison of Brechin wished to have registered which Baillie had written but he declined as he did not hold the Commissary Books.
- 620/2/16                  6 April 1790  
Correspondence from William Black, Brechin asking for an extract.
- 620/2/17                  2 March 1792  
Correspondence from William Black, Brechin confirming the enclosure of an extract of Mr David Allardice settlement.
- 620/2/18                  31 July 1792  
Correspondence from William Black, Brechin concerning the testament of Elizabeth Edgar. He also includes advice about charges.
- 620/2/19                  1 August 1787  
Correspondence from Andrew Bruce, Brechin concerning a receipt for Mrs Smith for Pitforthie's stipend.

Enclosed is a copy of an interlog— in cause Mrs Bruce v. Pitforthie and tenants, dated 30 July 1776.

- 620/2/20            6 December 1792  
Correspondence from Reverend Andrew Bruce, Brechin concerning the stipend payable from Pitforthie.
- 620/2/21            22 March 1787  
Correspondence from John Brymer, Marykirk concerning the delivery of the Balmakewan victual stipend.
- 620/2/22            26 July 1787  
Correspondence from Robert Burnes, Stonehaven, concerning Mr Mitchell's process. He also hoped that Baillie received his fish safely at Glenbervie.
- 620/2/23            7 August 1787  
Correspondence from John Brymer, Marykirk, concerning a meeting of the Presbytery of Fordoun called by Mr Lyon, schoolmaster, to visit the School.
- 620/2/24            5 April 1787  
Correspondence from William Burnett, advocate in Aberdeen, concerning a Bill held in Montrose.
- 620/2/25            21 April 1792  
Correspondence from William Burnett, advocate in Aberdeen, concerning a request for copies of sasines amounting to £1. 7s. 5d.
- 620/2/26            No date  
Correspondence from Mr Carnegie of Charleton asking William Baillie not to "promise away" the money that Doctor Badenoch was to pay up at Witsun.

- 620/2/27 8 November 1792  
Correspondence from Miss Betty Carnegie of Balnamoon concerning a discharge for half a dozen table spoons. She asked him to retain them in his possession until she could call for them.
- 620/2/28 21 May 1788  
Correspondence from Alexander Chalmers, Glasgow, concerning an account due by James Graham, for whom Baillie was a manager. Chalmers threatened Baillie with action if he does not resolve his arrangements to raise money to pay his debts to Samuel Partridge.
- 620/2/29 18 August 1788  
Correspondence from Alexander Chalmers, Glasgow, concerning their action against James Graham, lately of Messrs Hardie Miller & Co, merchant in Glasgow and now in Aberdeen. The case concerned a pair of shoes he owed to a "Poor Man."
- 620/2/30 12 September 1787  
Correspondence from J Chalmers concerning an account owed him by Baillie for work he performed during the roup of James Scott of Commieston's fishings and household goods.
- 620/2/31 1 September 1789  
Correspondence from Robert Cook, Montrose, concerning his arrangements to raise money to pay his debts to Samuel Partridge.
- 620/2/32 7 September 1789  
Correspondence from Robert Cook, Montrose, concerning his debts to Samuel Partridge.. He enclosed £7 towards payment and expressed his desire to pay off the rest as soon as he was able. He expressed his thanks to Baillie & Partridge for their kindness towards him. Enclosed is a copy of the bill owed to Partridge.
- 620/2/33 7 November 1786  
Correspondence from Andrew Crichton, Dundee, concerning a bill of protest Wilson against Millar and a commission from Sir John Ogilvy's creditors trustees, Mr Farquharson.
- 620/2/34 30 March 1787  
Correspondence from Andrew Crichton, Dundee, concerning the whereabouts of a Mr Anderson who left Montrose without paying his debts to Andrew Wilson.
- 620/2/35 29 January 1787  
Correspondence from Andrew Crichton, Dundee, concerning the expiry of the payment period for Andrew Wilson's debt to Mr Miller. He trusted Wilson had made payment to Baillie.
- 20/2/36 5 December 1791

Correspondence from David Croll, Fettercairn, requesting that Baillie send by the bearer, J Sutherland, the £15 due by Mr Scott. He hoped that Baillie and his family has a safe journey home and sent his regards.

620/2/37

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Correspondence from Patrick Cruickshank of Stracathro, concerning a tenant, Mr Gibson, who has given up his tenancy.

620/2/38

23 May 1792

Correspondence from Patrick Cruickshank of Stracathro, concerning charters and sasines he sent to Baillie in dispute with Scott of Brotherton and his tenants about the fishings.

620/2/39

30 May 1791

Correspondence from Patrick Cruickshank of Stracathro, concerning a fishings dispute with Scott of Brotherton and payment to Baillie for his expenses therein.

620/2/40

2 September 1792

Correspondence from Patrick Cruickshank of Stracathro concerning the proof of the teinds.

620/2/41

n.d.

Correspondence from J Duncan, notifying Baillie that he had sent various papers by William Barclay.

620/2/42

3 October 1787

Correspondence from J Duncan, Stonehaven, requesting payment of money due to Provost Alexander Christie, Montrose, for the cess of Glenbervie, Morphie and Balmakewan.

620/2/43

26 April 1788

Correspondence of J Duncan, Stonehaven, concerning the receipts for the cess of Morphie and Balmakewan and Provost Alexander Christie's request that they be made out separately.

- 620/2/44 15 June 1792  
Correspondence from Alexander Edgar Green of Aberdeen, requesting Baillie to arrange to pay him his interest due by Sir David Carnegie. He asked that his uncle Mr Ogilvy of Marykirk be allowed to convey it on his trip to Aberdeen.
- 620/2/45 14 November 1787  
Correspondence from John Edgar, Keithock, requesting information on when Sir John Ogilvy's creditors will be paid.
- 620/2/46 n.d.  
Correspondence of J Ford, Montrose, requesting Baillie's company to drink a glass of "good old Port." He also asked if Mr Scott of Nether Benholm is to pay the £100 he owed Mr Ford.
- 620/2/47 31 December 1792  
Correspondence of Michael Forrest, Brechin, requesting an extract of a disposition required in a process.
- 620/2/48 22 February 1787  
Correspondence from Pat[rick] Forsyth, Stonehaven, querying whether grey slate can be obtained in Montrose and delivered before June to complete a house.
- 620/2/49 3 March 1787  
Correspondence from Pat[rick] Forsyth, Stonehaven, concerning possible transport arrangements for 3,000 slate tiles from Connonsyth to Arbroath pier and then to Montrose.
- 620/2/50 8 August 1787  
Correspondence from Pat[rick] Forsyth, Stonehaven, thanking him for all his trouble concerning the slates.
- 620/2/51 9 July 1787  
Correspondence from Charles Foulerton of Kinneber enclosing a letter from Provost Ure of Forfar to Baillie.
- 620/2/52 4 April 1792  
Correspondence from Charles Foulerton of Kinnaber concerning the implications of a missive now that the sub-tenant of the Waulk Mill, Robert Laing, was dead.
- 620/2/53 7 May 1788  
Correspondence from Da[vid] Gairdner concerning £500.
- 620/2/54 24 December 1787  
Correspondence from William Gibson of Morphie concerning obtaining sacks for storing his milled meal.

- 620/2/55                    9 May 1793  
Correspondence from Adam Gillies, Brechin, informing Baillie that he had  
been cited as a witness for Mrs MacKenzie.
- 620/2/56                    7 May 1792  
Correspondence from Colin Gillies, Brechin, requesting a valuation on behalf  
of Alexander Strachan.
- 620/2/57                    25 September 1792  
Correspondence from Colin Gillies, Brechin, enclosing a letter from Mr  
Watson.
- 620/2/58                    21 July 1787  
Correspondence from Robert Gillies, Brechin, concerning Mr Napier's  
money.
- 620/2/59                    13 June 1792  
Correspondence from Thomas Gillies of Balmakewan enclosing a  
disposition, a sasine on it and his crown charter.
- 620/2/60                    13 March 1792  
Correspondence from Thomas Gordon, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh  
requesting an extract of the disposition by Elizabeth Kemp in favour of  
herself and William Miln, her husband dated 19 May 1786 at Montrose.
- 620/2/61                    29 December 1787  
Correspondence of John Green, Aberdeen, concerning James Graham and  
his intention to apply for a post in India.
- 620/2/62                    26 September 1787  
Correspondence of David Greig, Arbroath, concerning Mr Thomson's  
complaint.
- 620//2/63                    20 April 1792  
Correspondence of James Greig, Edinburgh, concerning the horning given  
to Robert Scott by Thomas Christie.
- 620/2/64                    12 December 1787  
Correspondence from James Hay, Richmond Street, Edinburgh, concerning  
a process against Lord Ord brought by Mr Adair.
- 620/2/65                    20 November 1789  
Correspondence from John Hood, Millden, concerning the details of  
collecting money owed to him.
- 620/2/66                    22 February 1787  
Correspondence from John Hutcheon, concerning measurements for 6  
houses on the ground called Brood yards that formerly belonged to

James Napier.

- 620/2/67 10 November 1787  
Correspondence from John Hutcheon, [Inver]Bervie, concerning a debt owed by James Napier to his weaver Jannet Edward in [Inver]Bervie.
- 620/2/68 28 February 1788  
Correspondence from Robert Inglis, Arbirny, concerning payment for the bear.
- 620/2/69 2 January 1777  
Correspondence from Thomas Innes, Edinburgh, enclosing a returned caption in the case of Adam & Milne against Miller.
- 620/2/70 7 December 1792  
Correspondence from Robert Jamieson and C Abercromby, Edinburgh, enclosing a letter for Mr Airlie.
- 620/2/71 13 November 1787  
Correspondence of William Kerr, Montrose, requesting a receipt for £75 which he left with Baillie's servant to be sent by way of Charles Gray, merchant in Forfar.

- 620/2/72                    23 March 1787  
Correspondence from Alexander Leith, Whiterygs, concerning John Mitchell.
- 620/2/73                    22 November 1788  
Correspondence from Alexander Leith, Aberdeen, concerning a bond on the property of Whiterigs owed by the trustees of the deceased James Leith, amongst whom Alexander Leith and Alexander Leith of Whiterigs numbered.
- 620/2/74                    8 January 1787  
Correspondence of Alexander Leslie & Co, Fordoun, concerning sending the Phesdo rents.
- 620/2/75                    28 March 1787  
Correspondence from Thomas Leslie & Co, Dundee concerning a missing parcel of fruit trees shipped from Leith on a Montrose packet under Captain Lighton.
- 620/2/76                    19 June 1787  
Correspondence from Thomas Leslie & Co, Dundee, requesting a feu charter.
- 620/2/77                    25 January 1777  
Correspondence from Wi[lliam] Leslie enclosing a precept of clare constat in favour of Thomas Durie infesting him in an annualrent out of the estate of Woodston to enable him to convey a debt.
- 620/2/78                    23 October 1788  
Correspondence from James Low, Montrose asking Baillie to settle an account due in October 1784 on behalf of himself and 2 others. Low expresses a need to have the money paid as soon as possible.
- 620/2/79                    20 September 1792  
Correspondence of John Low, Stonehaven, concerning the progress of writs on John Moir's subjects in Stonehaven.
- 620/2/80                    18 May 1789  
Correspondence of John Lyall, Mill of Glenbervie, confirming that he had sent a payment of bear.

- 620/2/81 16 June 1789  
Correspondence from David Lyon, Brechin, advising Baillie that he had not met him that day as his son was “in a Dying way” and “no lef Expekted for him.”
- 620/2/82 2 April 1787  
Correspondence from John Lyon, Dundee, to William Baillie junior asking him to get a reply from his father concerning a patrimoney case.
- 620/2/83 6 April 1789  
Correspondence from John Lyon, Dundee, expressing concern over the news of Robert Baillie’s “distress.”
- 620/2/84 15 October 1787  
Correspondence from M McDonald, Inghishmaldie, requesting he sent the note from his tutorial factory.
- 620/2/85 December 1786  
Correspondence from Alexander Mackenzie, Dundee, concerning Patrick Mackenzie.
- 620/2/86 25 May 1790  
Correspondence from Ann Mackenzie concerning a disposition she sent by Mr Bruickshank’s letter.
- 620/2/87 17 April 1787  
Correspondence from Alexander Mill, Fordoun, containing an acknowledgement for the first moiety of cash payable to Messrs Francis & Richard Buchan from the lands of Mondyns for building the new church amounting to £600.
- 620/2/88 No date  
Correspondence from Hercules Mill, Old Montrose, enclosing a copy of a rental.
- 620/2/89 3 July 1787  
Correspondence from Hercules Mill, Old Montrose, asking for advice on behalf of David Mitchell in a legal matter.
- 620/2/90 6 October 1787  
Correspondence from Hercules Mill, Old Montrose, and Sir David Carnegie, asking Baillie to have another disposition made out and forward to Mr Scott “to get him to execute it properly.”
- 620/2/91 13 October 1789  
Correspondence from Hercules Mill of Old Montrose, dated at Carlisle, incorporating a letter from Miss Cliffe.

- 620/2/92 7 July 1792  
Correspondence from Hercules Mill, Old Montrose, dated at Glenesk discussing general business matters.
- 620/2/93 18 April 1789  
Letter from John Milne, Dundee, Carnbeg, re corn deliveries.
- 620/2/94 28 April 1792  
Letter from James Mitchell, Dundee, re Betsy selling her 3% and recovering her £200 principle by Whitsunday.
- 620/2/95 4 December 1792  
Letter from James Mitchell, Dundee, re receipts signed by William Patullo, merchant in Dundee and Frances Erskine of Kirkbuddo.
- 620/2/96 10 November 1787  
Letter from Mr Mitchell, Dundee, re an auction licence for Alexander Ritchie.
- 620/2/97 24 April 1792  
Letter from Mr James Mollison, Ardo, re the roup roll of the farm of Ardo.
- 620/2/98 9 May 1792  
Letter from Mr David Morice, Aberdeen, re a Bill of Protest and Precept Cause against John Brebner.
- 620/2/99 10 May 1792  
Letter from David Milne, Bervie, re Napier's disposition signed before George Hutchon, merchant at Bridge of Birnie.
- 620/2/100 16 July 1792  
Letter from David Morrice, Aberdeen, re Smith, a sailor on one of Ballie's Greenland ships.
- 620/2/101 8 November 1792  
Letter from John Morison, Edinburgh, re Miss Stephen's bond.
- 620/2/102 20 May ----  
Letter from Miss Nicolson, Inglismaldy, re her half year's annuity.
- 620/2/103 26 November ----  
Letter from Helen Robertson, Lady Nicholson.
- 620/2/104 29 October 1787  
Letter from James Napier, Bervie, re freeing him from his half year's rent.

- 620/2/105 19 March 1787  
Letter from David Ogilvy, Montrose, re a declaration that he bought 5 lots of houses and grounds at public roup in Bervie and which were lately owned by Mr Napier. He declares he bought them on behalf of Robert Barclay Allardyce of Ury.
- 620/2/106 16 March 1787  
Letter from John Ogilvy, re a decret relating to the bankrupt estate of James Napier.
- 620/2/107 19 June 1787  
Letter from Thomas Ogilvy, Kirriemuir, re payments of the kirk.
- 620/2/108 14 June 1788  
Letter from James Patton, Montrose, re bonds of provision granted by his deceased father to his sisters Katherine, Isobel and Mary Paton.
- 620/2/109 2 August 1787  
Letter from James Peirson, Edinburgh, re acknowledging money received from his father.
- 620/2/110 22 September 1787  
Letter from James Peirson, Edinburgh, re money matters.
- 620/2/111 22 February 1791  
Letter from James Peirson, Edinburgh, re a lost letter.
- 620//2/112 26 January 1787  
Letter from James Pirie, Bervie, re Alexander Birnie, mason, being commissioned to measure a property on the High Street held on bad terms from the magistrates.  
  
Plan drawn on request.
- 620/2/113 26 January 1792  
Letter from Marie Ramsay of Kinalty, Broadgate, Aberdeen, re a request for an extract of her husband's will and settlement.
- 620/2/114 22 November 1787  
Letter from David Ramsay, Dundee, re correspondence with Mr Lyon.
- 620/2/115 21 August 1792  
Letter from Thomas Renny, Edinburgh, re a precept of clare constrat by Sir David Carnegie and the tack of the teinds of the Northesk fishings.
- 620/2/116 19 September 1787  
Letter from John Richardson, Pitfour, re signing tacks.

- 620/2/117 27 March 1787 - 25 June 1792  
Bundle of letters from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin (8 items.)
- 620/2/117/1 23 June  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie re requesting an extract registered contract of marriage between Provost Christie and his spouse.
- 620/2/117/2 27 March 1787  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin, re David Sandiman's extract disposition.
- 620/2/117/3 29 August 1787  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin, re securing payment from Turnbull  
for  
the Misses Allardice.  
[“For God sake shift Turnbull in payment of the money.”]

- 620/2/117/4 11 October 1787  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin, re request for an extract  
decreet of Mr Cruickshank against Mrs Allardice.
- 2/117/5 29 December 1787  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin, re request for extracts of Mr David  
Ramsay's bond in Mr Sandiman's confirmation and also the Edict at  
the instance of George, Robert, Ann, Elizabeth and Jean Fairweather, children  
of the deceased Alexander Fairweather, tenant at the Hill Side of Stracathro,  
and George Fairweather tenant at Muirtoun Balrownie, their uncle.
- 2/117/6 2 April 1789  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin, re concerning an account due to him  
by the deceased Dr Allardice for whom Baillie is acting as executor.
- 2/117/7 26 September 1792  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin, re delivery of £2. 2s. 4d. for the  
payment of sundry receipts.
- 2/117/8 25 June 1792  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin, re payment of £100 to John Brand and  
William Driver from Mr Geikie.
- 620/2/118 13 March 1792  
Letter from Mrs Helen Robertson, Leith.
- 620/2/119 6 March 1778  
Letter from Mr Thomas Robertson, shipmaster in Montrose re securing  
payment for 10 anchors of gin sold to William Hill at Kinneber.  
  
[The reply was to be care of Mr John Randerwoord, merchant at  
Flushing.]
- 620/2/120 1 May 1792  
Letter from Robert Ross, Edinburgh, re payment owed to Baillie  
for work done for the deceased Viscount Arbuthnott.
- 620/2/121 23 June 1787  
Letter from David Scott, Muirton, re a rent that required to be paid  
notified to him by Mr Carnegie.  
  
[“I cannot see any reason why for my being plagued with these matters;]

- 620/2/122                    26 July 1787  
Letter from David Scott, Muirton, re paying £30 to Strachan and regretting missing Baillie in town.
- 620/2/123                    27 January 1781  
Letter from James Scott of Commieston, Ecclesjohn, re requesting money to pay £4 to his salmon griever, Robert Cook.
- 620/2/124                    11 September 1792  
Letter from Robert Scott, Meltown re speaking to Thomas Christie.
- 620/2/125                    5 July 1787  
Letter from Fras Sievwright, Brechin re sending documents concerning Scandal Low and Fiscal against Janet Grewar to be signed.
- 620/2/126                    4 March 1787 - 16 September 1791  
Bundle of letters from John Sievwright, Brechin, (9 items.)
- 620/2/126/1                 1 May  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re signing the enclosed.
- 620/2/126/2                 9 July  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re a request to post an Edict concerning the deceased George Swan, mariner in Dundee and the deceased George Swan his son, ship carpenter in Dundee at the instance of Andrew Swan, weaver in the Hilltown of Dundee.
- 620/2/126/3                 4 March 1787  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re a bill of advocation in the case of Scandal Duncan Mackay against Daniel Morgan.
- [Baillie has subscribed the letter thus:  
                                      “None of our fast runners will carry a Letter for you they say you don’t pay.]
- 620/2/126/4                 5 March 1787  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re a confirmed testament dative of the deceased David Ogilvy of Ascreavie for Baillie to sign and further papers in the case of Scandal Duncan Mackay against Daniel Morgan.
- 620/2./126/5                 4 March 1787  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re his suspension now being run and his preference that the Deputation be given to Frank [his brother?]

- 620/2/126/6            2 April 1787  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin, re papers in various court cases eg Mackay against Morgan, Allardice against Monro and Brown, and Heberton against Campbell.
- 620/2/126/7            4 July 1787  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re request to sign and return papers concerning scandal cases.
- 620/2/126/8            19 January 1790  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re requesting him to send an edict to John Grant in Wester Ego, Cortachy at the instance of David Grant his brother in Cottoun Auchlewchary.
- 620/2/126/9            16 September 1791  
Letter from John Sievwright, Brechin re a process raised by Alexander Gardner against Provost Webster.
- 620/2/127              16 February 1791  
Letter from Wa Sime, Aberdeen re the high terms of renting James Napier's roods of lands.
- 620/2/128              3 March 1784  
Letter from William Smith, Edinburgh re the value and rent of the farm of Thornton.
- 620/2/129              6 March 1787 - 1 October 1787  
Bundle of letters from John Spence, Brechin (4 items.)
- 620/2/129//1            6 March 1787  
Letter from John Spence, Brechin re requests for various documents.
- 620/2/129/2            3 June 1887  
Letter from John Spence, Brechin re payment due by the Town of Brechin to Lord Arbuthnott.
- 620/2/129/3            18 June 1787  
Letter from John Spence, Brechin re 2 bills due to Mr Henderson, slater by Mr Turnbull, Muirtown.
- 620/2/129/4            1 October 1787  
Letter from John Spence, Brechin re money due by James Inverarity to Lord Arbuthnott.
- 620/2/130              No date  
Letter from Thomas Stewart, Montrose, re making his excuses from attending an evening meeting as he was in bed with a cold.
- 620/2/131              23 November 1787  
Letter from Thomas Stewart, Montrose, re a rental of the estate of Barngreen.

- 620/2/132 14 May 1787  
Letter from Joseph Straton, Kirksyde, re requesting that word is sent to the Glenbervie tenants to send their meals as the meals in his gurnal was almost finished.
- 620/2/133 15 April 1787  
Letter from William Tower junior, Aberdeen, re an order for tight coloured stockings.
- 620/2/134 21 January 1787  
Letter from Charles Thomson, Montrose, re the 2 penny duty collected on the porter from 1770 - 1777.
- 620/2/135 28 February 1791  
Letter from Charles Thomson, Montrose, re Mr MacKenzie's property.
- 620/2/136 25 June 1787 - 13 April 1789  
Bundle of letters from John Ure, Forfar. [4 items.]
- 620/2/136/1 25 June 1787  
Letter from John Ure, Forfar, re the arrestment by James Dickson of Mr Playfair's money.  
  
[Mr Playfair was the architect employed by Forfar Town Council to build their new Town House.]
- 620//136/2 16 July 1787  
Letter from John Ure, Forfar, re arrangements for payments to Mr Dickson and Mr Brown.
- 620/2/136/3 3 September 1787  
Letter from John Ure, Forfar, re an extract of sequestration which should have enclosed Mr Playfair's draught for £49 which Mr Baird was going to pay.
- 620/2/136/4 13 April 1789  
Letter from John Ure, Forfar, re the value of the rent of Charleton.
- 620/2/137 23 October 1792  
Letter from John Walker, Edinburgh re a notarial copy of the bill of suspensjon for Robert Scott by Lord Abercromby.
- 620/2/138 9 October 1794  
Letter from Margaret Walker, St Cyrus re a request to have cloth made up into shirts and the arrangements made by Captain Mills for taking her nephews James and Barton Scott to St Andrews for their education. They had stayed with the Walker family. Margaret did not get on with their mother who behaved badly towards the Walkers.

[James and Barton were the children of the deceased James Scott of Commieston.]

- 620/2/139 21 November 1787  
Letter from Alexander Watson, Turin re payment of Miss Donald's interest for one year.
- 620/2/140 11 August 1788  
Copy letter from G Watson, Edinburgh re Mr Graham's incumbrances.
- 620/2/141 29 November 1788  
Letter from James Watson, Montrose re a request to know if certain money had come to his hand.
- 620/2/142 5 March 1792  
Copy letter of Provost Webster, Montrose to Provost John Ure, Forfar re the process against Lilius Petrie concerning Isobel Petrie, Montrose.
- 620/2/143 6 April 1787  
Bundle of letters from James Wyllie, Forfar. [7 items.]
- 620/2/143/1 6 April 1787  
Letter from James Wyllie, Forfar re having written to Mr Rutherford.
- 620/2/143/2 3 August 1787  
Letter from James Wyllie, Forfar re Mr Mills' petition.
- 620/2/143/3 30 October 1787  
Letter from James Wyllie, Forfar re the Balindarg Servitude and the bounds of the Common Muir.
- 620/2/143/4 12 November 1787  
Letter from James Wyllie, Forfar re 2 processes.
- 620/2/143/5 28 April 1789  
Letter from James Wyllie, Forfar re enclosures.
- 620/2/143/6 2 December 1791  
Letter from James Wyllie, Forfar re a request to know the selling price of Ardo if Major Turnbull makes up his mind to sell.
- 620/2/143/7 26 December 1791  
Letter from James Wyllie, Forfar re an enclosure relating to John Mills defence.
- 6290/2/148 16 December 1776  
Letter from Alexander Young, Aberdeen re the horning of James Miller, junior, Brechin at the instance of the Tannery Company.
- 620/2/149 18 June 1777

- Letter from Alexander Young, Aberdeen re the case against Convenor James Miller, South Port, Brechin, at the instance of the Tannery Company.
- 620/2/150 2 April 1781  
Bundle of letters from Robert Young, Benholm. [4 items.]
- 620/2/150/1 April 1781  
Letter from Robert Young, Benholm re rent money owed by Mrs Crombie, late tenant in Warburton to Mr Scott of Commieston.
- 620/2/150/2 7 April 1781  
Letter from Robert Young, Benholm re Scott of Commieston owing 6 terms cess.
- 620/2/150/3 6 April 1781  
Letter from Robert Young, Benholm re urgent request to pay Scott of Commieston's cess.
- 620/2/150/4 29 April 1788  
Letter from Robert Young, Benholm, re payment of cess due on Hedderwick and Captain.

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- 620/2/151 19 September 1788  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin re the testament dative of James Paterson.
- 620/2/152 24 January 1789  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin re a case brought by Ballie's friend Provost Molison of Brechin.
- 620/2/153 19 June 1789  
Note from William Baillie re payments of interest on legacies left to Elizabeth [Betty] and Jean [Jeanie/Nellie] Scott, daughters of the deceased James Scott of Commieston.
- 620/2/154 21 January 1789  
Letter from Charles Abercromby, Edinburgh re a decree of mails and duties at the instance of Miss Turnbull..
- 620/2/155 1 October 1790  
Letter from John Kirkby, Catterick to Robert Baillie re accounts for the Masters Edgar's education.
- 620/2/156 15 May 1791  
Letter from ----- Nicolson, Glenbervie enclosing two letters from Robert Rose, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh demanding payments due to the deceased Viscount Arbuthnott be made immediately.

- 620/2/157 25 October 1792  
Letter from Robert Scott, Milton re Christie.
- 620/2/158 27 November 1788  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin re Ritchie v Allardice.
- 620/2/159 No date  
Letter from ---[Mill] re a submission signed before his father's servant at Old Montrose
- 620/2/160 9 January 1768  
Letter from Malcolm amd ----ston, London to John Ritchie, Montrose re Wilson's debt.
- 620/2/161 3 November 1829  
Letter from Alex Smith, Montrose, to the Town Council of Montrose re Mr Clark's purchase of the shore dues for him.
- 620/2/162 7 June 1754  
Letter from John Straton to William Gordon, writer to the Signet, Edinburgh re John Strachan rent of the fishings when he was tacksman at Kirkside.
- 620/2/163 26 August 1777  
Letter from Mr Johnstone to Mr Nicholson, Goodwin's Court, St Martin's Lane, London re a letter he has forwarded by post.
- 620/2/164 28 December 1772  
Letter from David Clark, [Inver]Bervie, to John Walker, tacksman at Auchirie re the division of subjects between himself and his sister.
- 620/2/165 4 April 1792  
Letter from George Carnegie, Charleton, to Miss Edgar re arrangements for Thomas' apprenticeship to a merchant in Aberdeen.
- 620/2/166 No date  
Letter from Andrew Pitcairne re John Brand's draft on the Bank of Scotland for £29 17s 10d.
- 620/2/167 27 November 1788  
Letter from Alexander Ritchie, Brechin.

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**Accounts**

Bundles of accounts, mainly to William Baillie. [13 item.]

620/4            **Miscellaneous papers, 1747 - 1793**

- 620/4/1            No date  
Concert ticket no 45 Lady's ticket - hand made.
- 620/4/2            No date  
Scrap paper stating "Major Macdonnell of the 66<sup>th</sup>."
- 620/4/3            No date  
Note concerning a cargo that would have been dispoiled and the town starved for want of salt due to A Morison's actions.
- 620/4/4            No date  
Answers for David Ford to the petition of James Hadden and others concerning  
A Morison's actions over the salt cargo.
- 620/4/5            No date  
Further notes concerning A Morison and the salt cargo.
- 620/4/6            No date  
Rental of John Moir's houses on the Shorehead of Stonehaven given unto Mr Ford.
- 620/4/7            No date  
Note of Commieston's farms.
- 620/4/8            No date  
Memor for AB.  
Draft formula for calculating dues on a liferent estate.
- 620/4/9            No date  
Memor for AB.  
Another draft formula written in a different hand.
- 620/4/10            4 December 1749  
Letter from Patrick Beattie, Borrwesness, to James Milne senior, merchant in Montrose.
- 620/4/11            15 July 1767  
Letter from Thomas Durie, Douglas, Isle of Man, to Gilbert Ouchterlony of Pitforthie, concerning arrangements for Ouchterlony's niece Jeanne to travel to Montrose and general reports of her mother's character.
- 620/4/12            30 January 1777  
Claim by Margaret Cormack, resident in Montrose, against John Ross, ropemaker, in Montrose, for the expenses associated with the birth of their illegitimate child.
- 620/4/13            No date

- Warrant concerning arrestment at the instance of Robert Ferrier, merchant in Montrose.
- 620/4/14 10 December 1786  
Letter from Robert Inglis, Alexander Lighton and John Hutcheon, Bervie, to Jane Mitchell, merchant in Montrose, concerning James Napier's affairs.
- 620/4/15 20 January 1787  
Letter from James Napier, Montrose to Robert Gillies & Son, Brechin concerning his trustees: Thomas Webster, James Mitchell, James Lyall, merchants in Montrose, James Pirie merchant in Bervie, and Rober Inglis weaver at Benholm and their agent William Baillie.
- 620/4/16 31 August 1787  
Warrant containing arrestment at the instance of William Dallas, mason in the parish of Glenbervie.
- 620/4/17 12 December 1787  
Letter from John Lyon to Thomas Stewart, Town Clerk of Montrose re business for various creditors.
- 620/4/18 19 December 1787  
Certificate from Colin Alison stating that the bearer has previously rented a house from Mr Lamb and that she had paid her rent regularly.
- 620/4/19 1789  
Note of writings by Robert Baillie for Mr William Baillie from 20 May 1788.
- 620/4/20 26 October 1789  
Letter from Robert Hannah, Manse of Stracathro to Mrs Smith of Forret, Montrose re collecting money for the poor of the parish from the heritors.
- 620/4/21 17 December 1789  
Letter from Robert Hannah, Manse of Stracathro to Mrs Smith of Forret, Montrose re a heritors meeting to disperse money to the poor.
- 620/4/22 1790  
Note of the weight of Miss Betty Forbes' silver work.
- 620/4/23 3 May 1790  
Letter from Reverend Reay to Mr Thomson re a letter from Mr Ritchie.
- 620/4/24 23 May 1790  
Letter from Patrick Cruickshank of Stracathro to Mrs MacKenzie of Woodstock re an extract of a disposition he sent to her.
- 620/4/25 2 July 1791  
Attend and improve "Lines." Written by Baillie's daughter Susanna.
- 620/4/26 8 February 1791  
Summons containing arrestment by William Baillie, collector of the 2d duty

on ale and porter, against James Pirie, merchant in Bervie, and Alexander Davidson at Laurencekirk.

- 620/4/27            26 January 1792  
Discharge from A Bertie to Mrs Baillie for 12s for Scots flax.
- 620/4/28            31 March 1792  
Receipt from Hercules Foley for summary vouchers of due to Mr Scott of Usan.
- 620/4/29            7 July 1792  
List of gentlemen invited to Mrs Webster's burial - died 4<sup>th</sup> and buried 7<sup>th</sup> July 1792.
- 620/4/30            6 June 1792  
Lybelled summons of poinding at the instance of Isobel Spence, widow of David Allardice of Memus and their children Helen, Mary and William Allardice against James Peirson, Writer in Edinburgh.
- 620/4/31            17 July 1792  
Letter from Ben Lumsden, Montrose to Reverend Alexander Thom, minister at Glenbervie, re tea and table spoons ordered.
- 620/4/32            21 August 1792  
Arrestment at the instance of Charles Gordon, Officer of Excise, in Montrose against Roderick McKenzie, residenter in Montrose.
- 620/4/33            22 August 1792  
Copy part of a letter from Andrew Stewart.
- 620/4/34            24 August 1792  
Depositions of David Guthrie tenant in Fordes of Dun, and James Walker tenant in Newbigging respecting the value of the labouring of the farms of Langley Park and Tayock.
- 620/4/35            25 August 1792  
For Mr Charles Thomson at the roup of the growing corns on Langley Park.
- 620/4/36            20 September 1792  
Inventory of papers belonging to John Moir sent to the Mr Baillies.
- 620/4/37            21 September 1792  
Letter from David Greig, Arbroath to Charles Thomson, Town Clerk of Montrose, re a decret from William Baillie against the unlicensed ale sellers.
- 620/4/38            8 October 1792  
Letter from Robert Gibson, Abbey Town, to Mrs Ivie Nicolson of Glenbervie re the customs of the Michel fair.

- 620/4/39                    1 November 1792  
Summons to James Pierson, to agree with the Montrose Bridge  
Commissioners  
for the loss or damage caused to his house, garden etc caused by the  
encroaching road.
- 620/4/40                    13 November 1792  
Note by Thomas Webster, Montrose of items to be sent to roup.
- 620/4/41                    30 November 1792  
Letter to Misses Mary and Susan Edgar, from Thomas Christie's sons re a  
reminder of a bill for £10. 5s. which was about to fall due.
- 620/4/42                    7 December 1792  
Letter from William Walker, St Cyrus, to Mill Mill, Old Montrose, re the  
valuation of the teinds of Knox.
- 620/4/43                    20 March 1793  
Summons against William Law, merchant in Montrose at the instance of  
William Baillie, collector of the Town's duty on ale and porter.

- 620/4/44 21 May 1793  
Arrestments at the instance of William Baillie against James Petrie, maltman in Montrose and Alexander Davidson, merchant in Laurencekirk.
- 620/4/45 No date  
Contract of marriage (ante-nuptials) between James Crabb, tailor in Montrose, and Ann Anderson, daughter of the deceased William Anderson in the parish of Strachan, by which Crabb gives Anderson half of his household furniture and clothes in the event of his death.
- 620/4/46 29 September 1666  
Instrument of sasine in favour of James Barclay of Johnstoun.  
Notary: Walter Lyell [In Latin].
- 620/4/47 26 April 1742  
Contrast between the Right Honourable Sir Robert Graham younger of Stone of Morphie on the one part and Andrew Straton in Warbertoun.
- 620/4/48 15 March 1777  
Claim by Alexander Mitchell at Newmanswalls against Hugh Ross, merchant in Montrose, for a debt of £2 15s being the price of 2 pieces of oakwood.
- 620/4/49 4 December 1788  
Letter from John Leighton of Dunninald to William Baillie concerning a settlement with William Carnegie's creditors.
- 620/4/50 1790  
Discharge by Miss Sarah Nicolson, lawful daughter of the deceased Sir William Nicolson of Glenbervy, to Mrs Helen Nicolson and Henry Ivy Nicolson her husband now at Glenberry of £50 being a half year's annuity.
- 620/4/51 22 November 1788  
Receipt from William Baillie to the curators of Elizabeth and Jean Scott, lawful daughters of the deceased James Scott of Commieston for a half yearly annuity of £50.
- 620/4/52 March 1767  
Account of George Davidson for goods bought at the deceased John Ritchie's roup amounting to £49 12s 11d.
- 620/4/53 November 1766  
Account of sales and charges from John Morrice's cargo from Gottenburgh.  
  
[Partners names include Ralph Green, John Ritchie, James Low, James Mitchell, Alex Cowie, John Livie, David Doers, James Jamieson].

- 620/4/54 No date  
Account of James Sutherland, Ship Inn, Bervie for the sum of 15s 6d.  
[Ship emblem].
- 620/4/55 28 September 1784  
Scroll execution on a deliverance upon a petition against John Murray for  
carrying off a crop.
- 620/4/56 16 May 1767  
Account of Mr George Davidson for £4 16s 6d spent at John Ritchie's roup.
- 620/4/57 January 1766  
Account of sales of Charles and John Ritchie on John Morris cargo from  
Gottenburg.
- 620/4/58 29 December 1746  
Contract between James Nasmith of Earlshall, Writer in Edinburgh, and factor  
to Robert Keith of Craig, and Hugh Christie in Bridestown by which the said  
Nasmith sets a yearly tack for Easter and Wester Bridestown.
- 620/4/59 1743  
Receipt from John Spence, Clerk of Montrose and John Shand, merchant in  
Montrose, to John Ritchie, merchant in Montrose for the sum of 25s.
- 620/4/60 1 bundle of papers.

