# LETTERS

FROM

# ROUNDHEAD OFFICERS

WRITTEN FROM SCOTLAND

AND CHIEFLY ADDRESSED TO

## CAPTAIN ADAM BAYNES

JULY MDCL—JUNE MDCLX.




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# PREFACE.

THE Letters contained in this Volume are selected from an extensive Correspondence of the period, in the possession of the Rev. Adam Baynes, a lineal descendant of the individual to whom they are addressed.[1] A portion of this Correspondence has been printed in the Transactions of the Society of Antiquaries,[2] but the Letters written from Scotland have been deemed worthy of separate publication. Those which contain mere business detail have been excluded, and passages of the same character have been omitted in many which are printed in this Selection.

These Letters are, in many respects, curious: they touch on topics of daily occurrence, from the year of the Scottish Expedition

[1] "The family (of Baynes) having resided at Knowstrop for ten generations (as it's said under as many Adams and Roberts alternately), what I have here collected from the registers, informations of relations, and their writings, may serve as a foundation to be built upon hereafter by the family, whose arms are (in allusion to the name *Bana Ossa*), sable, a shinbone in pale, surmounted of another in cross, *argent*, a Bezant in the Dexter-point of the Chief, as appears by the patent granted by William Ryley, Norroy, 1650, to Captain Adam Baynes. 'Tis said the Bezant was in honour of the first in this pedigree, who was standard-bearer to the King at the taking of Bullen." — *Thoresby's History of Leeds*, p. 106.

[2] Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of London, Vols. ii. and iii. *passim*.

in 1650, down to that of the Restoration, and they furnish many interesting episodes of the Northern Campaign.

The principal Correspondents are, Captain Robert Baynes, a brother of Adam Baynes; Cornet John Baynes, his cousin, a Commissary, and afterwards Receiver-General in Scotland; and Cornet Joseph Pease. There are also some Letters of General Lambert and his wife,[1] and of Colonel Robert Lilburne. The most numerous are those of John Baynes, who seems to have been a singularly diligent and punctual correspondent. In fact, it is not difficult to perceive in these Letters the business habits and worldly policy which served the Commonwealth men at this period. It furnishes a striking contrast to the improvidence and recklessness of the Cavaliers. Of Adam Baynes much is not known. He was born December 22nd, 1631. In 1650, he held a commission in the Army of the Parliament, but appears to have been soon after appointed a Commissioner for Inland Revenue, taking up his quarters in old Somerset House, to which the greater part of this Correspondence is addressed. He was returned Member for the borough of Leeds in the Parliament convoked by Cromwell on the 3rd of September 1654. This Parliament was dissolved by the Protector in the first month of the following year. In 1656 Francis Allanson and Adam Baynes were returned for Leeds, and in the following year the latter was appointed a Visitor, in the Charter for the proposed College of

[1] The Letters of Mrs. Lambert are of the greatest rarity. No. 64 is given in its original orthography, and is a curious specimen of her epistolary style.

Durham. In 1659 he was returned M.P. for Appleby, in Westmoreland.

Adam Baynes appears to have trafficked largely in debentures, and in what were termed by his party 'Delinquents' Lands.' He purchased Wimbledon of Lambert, and became possessed of the Queen's property at Holdenby, as well as of some of the Royal Forests in Lancashire. Of these, on the Restoration, he was deprived, without any compensation, and he retired to his estate at Knowstropp, where he died in the month of December 1670, at the age of 49. He married Martha, daughter of Richard Dawson, Esq. of Heworth, near York, by whom he had sixteen children. His widow survived him many years, dying at the age of 88, on the 14th of July 1713.

Of the career of Adam Baynes at the period of the Restoration, and to the time of his death, we have few details. He was doubtless regarded with suspicion. His politics are hinted at in the Letter of his kinsman, John Baynes (No. 289), and the speech therein alluded to was, in all probability, recorded against him. The following Letter, from Rushworth, the well-known author of the 'Historical Collections,' shows that Fortune had already lowered upon Baynes —

'Mr. Leadbeater,

'I heare that Capt. Baines his wife is in 'labour. I know shee is a woman subiect to feares in that condition, 'and her husband's absence may increase them; therefore, if shee 'desire his company for any time, I pray you goe with him thither, 'or rather permitt him to goe alone and follow att a distance, for I will 'engage hee shall not stirre to any place but to his wife and your

'house. I shall alsoe acquaint my Lo. President that I writt to you 'to doe this, if any offence bee taken thereatt.

'I remaine,

'Yr assured freind,

'Aprill 29th 1660. 'Jo. RUSHWORTH.'

How long Baynes continued under restraint we have no means of ascertaining. It was probably of no great duration; for we find, among his papers, a permission to remain in London, signed by Monk, as Duke of Albemarle. As this document is illustrative of the proceedings of those days we give it entire—

'Wheras his Maty by his Proclamation, dated att Whitehall, 'the 18th day of Novembr instant, requires that all and every p'son and 'p'sons being heertofore an officer or souldr serving in any the armies 'of the late vsurped powers, doe depart out of the citties of London 'and Westmr, and the liberties and suburbes of them, on or before the '20th of this instant November, and nott to returne or come within 20 'miles of the same vntill the 20th of May next ensuing, without 'licence procured or obtayned from his Maty, one of his Maties prin-'cipall Secretaries of State, any three or more of his privy councill, 'or my self in that behalf.

'And wheras the bearer hearof, Adam Baynes, Esqre, was of 'the late Army, and thereby conceives himself concerned to take notice 'thereof and yield obedience therevnto, butt hath vrgent occasions to 'come to the citties of London and Westminr. These are (according 'to the power given mee by the said Proclamation) to will and require 'all his Mats officers, and others whom itt shall or may concerne, to

'p'mitt the said Adam Baynes quietly to be and remayne within the 'said citties of London and Westm^r and p^ts therabouts, for the space 'of twenty dayes after the date heerof, and then to returne into 'Northamptonshire without their lett or molestation. Given under 'my hand the 21^th day of November, in the 16^th yeare of his 'Ma^ts raigne 1664.

'ALBEMARLE.'

'To all his Ma^ts Officers and others
'whom itt may concerne.'

Another permission, signed 'Albemarle,' and dated 20th April 1665, requires 'all his Majesty's Officers,' &c., &c., to allow the said Adam Baynes 'quietly to be and remaine within the citties of London and Westminster, and places thereabouts, for the space of one monthe' from the date thereof.

Another document among these papers shows, that though not destitute of friends, Baynes was in no favour with the Government, and was again in confinement in the Tower of London.

'December y^e 27^th 1666.

'Re^d then of M^r Adam Baynes, prisoner att my house 'in y^e Tower of London, y^e some of five poundes and tenn 'shillings, which together with y^e some of Eight poundes 'and Tenn shillings formerly received of him, is in full satis- 'faction for his Chamber rent, and for his wife's dyett, and 'all other demands, to the day of y^e date hereof. I say re^d

*li.* *s.*
14 : 00.

'p. HENRY LEAVES.'

‘ March y^e^ 28. 1667.

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| ‘ Re^d^ then of M^r^ Adam Baynes, prisoner att my house ‘ in the Tower of London, y^e^ summ of Tenn poundes and ‘ Tenn shillings in full, for his dyett and Chamber rent, to ‘ the day of y^e^ date hereof. I say re^d^ in full of all demandes ‘ whatsoever. I say iust summe of | *li.* *s.* 10 : 10. |

‘ p. me HENRY LEAVES.’

We know not how long he remained under this second restraint. The fact, that his death happened in less than four years subsequent to the last date, seems clearly to indicate, that losses and anxieties had tended to abridge a life that had been for many years actively employed in upholding a cause, which the popular feeling, on the restoration of Charles the Second, proved to be a phantom and a delusion.

It remains for me to add, that the entire collection of these papers has been presented by the Rev. Adam Baynes to the British Museum.

S. A. JOHN YONGE AKERMAN.

12th June 1856.

# LETTERS

FROM

# ROUNDHEAD OFFICERS,

## WRITTEN FROM SCOTLAND.

## M.DC.L.—M.DC.LX.

### 1.—CORNET JOHN BAYNES TO CAPT. ADAM BAYNES.

Couzen,

I have only to acquaint you that I am now at the head quarters at Newcastle, where I shall remain till the Gen$^{rll}$ remove from hence more Northward. If you please to direct any letters to me let them be to M$^{r}$ Hatter of whom I shall receive them. I wish that I could pay Collo. Maulyverer his $\frac{1}{5}$ of 2000$^{li}$ at Newcastle. I pray you, if already you have not returned down the money, let that regiment's portion be sent by bills hither; and for 220$^{li}$ more which I have to pay to Collo. Fairfax. I shall receive the bill of 100$^{li}$ here at Sunderland.

The Gen$^{ll}$ and other officers have been these two days very busy about penning a kind of Declaration to the Scotts: when it is perfected I shall send you a copy: I know not whether it will be printed this night or not, but it is expected to be so done.

Coll. Bright desires to know every particular of your disbursements for his regiment, both your day when and the sum what you laid out for every assignment, for the gen$^{ll}$ acc$^{t}$ will not give him satisfaction, nor will he pay it till then. I delivered your letter to the Major Generall this morning. I shall not add else now, resting

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

Newcastle, July 11. 1650. Jo. Baynes.

The Scotts King is certainly crowned,[1] and they are very unanimous and resolute for the yonge man; but next week we shall hear more. I believe the Declaration will stumble many of them.

2.—FROM THE SAME.

COUZEN,

I have not received any from you as yet since my coming from York. I much long to hear from you. The General removes from hence to-morrow to Anwick. A general rendezvous of our Army is thought will be upon Wednesday or Thursday next near Anwick. Carr and Johnson who were sent from Scotland to the Army and Parliament are here yet and attend the head quarters till we come into Scotland. The Army's Declaration was once printed, 1000 of them, but not being according to desire, were burned (to prevent spreading of false copies) and is now reviewed and mended, and reprinted, and to-morrow will come from press. The Scotts ships are not yet ordered how to be disposed of: they are to go along with some other ships which are lading with arms, ammunition and provisions for the use of the army to Barwick. Nothing certain from Scotland, only that they are levying apace and seem to be resolute against us for their young gentleman. There's now a copy of the Declaration writing to be sent to Scotland; it's not yet resolved how and by whom the Declaration shall be sent.

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

Newcastle July 15$^{th}$ 1650. JO. BAYNES.

3.—FROM THE SAME.

COUZEN,

I have received yours, but I pray you direct your letters as formerly, to me, only enclose them in a piece of paper to Mr. Hatter, and then subscribe as you have done in your last. . . . . If my employment here increase not on my hand I intend this week to be at York. Yesterday we came to Barwick, and to-morrow I think shall march into Scotland. Our Trumpeter is this day returned from Edenbrough, but they defer an answer to our General

[1] This was a mistake; the Coronation of Charles the Second took place at Scone, on the 1st of January 1651: See infra, No. 7.

till they send [it] by a messenger of their own. They are much at a stand, and are puzzled who to make their General, whether Leven[1] or another. They fear Leven is not true to their King. They keep a small guard about 14 miles from hence, and some few men at Dumferline: their strength I hear is not great. It's thought we shall have little opposition betwixt [this] and Edenbrough. A small vessell was taken yesterday by our shipps. In haste I rest

Yor lo. Couzen,

Jo. Baynes.

Barwick 21st July, [16]50.

## 4.—CAPT. ADAM BAYNES TO MR. JOSEPH PEASE.

Brother,

I have received yours of the last of August, and have sent this letter of Attorney, and you may put Capt. Eyre's name in it or whose else you shall thinke fit; but if no course that you can take will get out the Conveyances before I come up to London, move the Trustees Contractors for orders to receive the Michaelmas rents, for I should have got out my Conveyances before I came down, but for the reprise, and which I could not get settled; and now the General will not permit me to come from my command, so that I hope we shall not suffer for preferring the publick service before our own and that from the publick. However pay in your bills with all speed, and do as much more in the business as you can. Also pay for the fee farm rents, and get out the Conveyances, both for mine and the Major-General's.[2] You may let Richmond House for another quarter of a year, and get all the rents you can in for all the lands, as they are due. I writ to you from Barwick. You will have all news with us, publick, therefore I shall not trouble you with any, only my brother Cornet Baynes and all friends are in health. Colonel Rokeby was slain in the battle.[3] I desire to be remembered to Mris Lilburne, Captain Eyre, Mr Margetts, and all friends, which is all at the present but to remain

Your lo. Brother,

A. Baynes.

Edenburgh, 7ber 9th 1650.

[1] Alexander Earl of Leven.

[2] Major-General Lambert.

[3] At the decisive battle of Dunbar, on the 2nd of September.

5.—CAPT. ADAM BAYNES TO THE SAME.

BROTHER,

. . . . . Hasten to pay for the Major General's fee farm rents, and let my Conveyances be made ready to seal against I come up which I hope will not be long. I left a letter of Attorney with you whereby the Major Gen: did empower me to take his Conveyances in my name which you may look out for and get his Conveyances ready to seal likewise. Also get the Conveyances for the King's Lands ready to seal; and if you can get interest upon the bills first due allowed pay in the second moiety for all when the reprises are settled. And if Capt. Eyre can purchase any more lands for at eighteen years purchase or under he may make himself Attorney to serve of the blanks you have by you, if carrying on the Contract cannot be foreborn till I come up to confirm it, and carry it on myself to perfection. I shall defer answering Major Bingley and M^r^ Bentley till I come up myself to speak with them. Tell M^ris^ Lilburne that I thank her for buying the muff. I hope shortly my wife will come with me to receive it at her hands. Remember me to all friends, and Capt Eyre, and her. Know of M^r^ Pickersgill when my second moiety for Deans and Chapters lands will be due, and what rates bills transferred without Interest gives, and let me know by the next. Also, if Adam Eyre be not better provided for, I would have him to be my Clerk, and let me have an answer therein, and so I rest

Your lo. Brother,

Musselburgh 8^ber^ 20^th^ 1650. A. B.

6.—FROM THE SAME.

BROTHER,

I have received yours with one enclosed from William Bywater, to whom remember me and give him thanks for the same, and for his care and pains in my business. Present my service to my Unkle Clapham and tell him I hope shortly to be at London, and then shall be glad of his advise and assistance about the sale of the Woods mentioned. In the interim I would have you to prepare all the Conveyances for sealing for all the land purchased by me or for

me, particularly that of Clithero if it be intended for me. Help Lieu[t] Collo. Goodricke to an order to let, sell, and dispose of Richmond so soon as you can.

. . . . . .

Your lo. Brother,

R. BAYNES.

Musleborough. 9ber 9[th] 1650.

### 7.—CORNET JOHN BAYNES TO CAPT. ADAM BAYNES.

COUSEN,

I am come hither very well, I thank God, and have delivered your token to your Lieutenant who is in good health. I have sent you here enclosed Capt. Shepardson's Bill of 100[li] for he hath left the army upon some miscarriage or other, so that I cannot now meet with him. . . . . Here is nothing of news but the King crowning, and that they are raising 60,000 men to invade England and beat us to boot. 2000 from Sterling gave our men at Lithgow an alarum yesterday, but did us little more harm. Lieut. Pursglove is admitted to his command again. Q[r] Master Reason was put to acknowledge his fault in accusing Capt. Stoddart falsely. The Ma. Generall is very well. I pray you excuse me to my friends at Leeds, if you see them, for that I did not visit them.

I rest yo[r] lo. Couzen,

Jo. BAYNES.

Edenb. January 11[th] 1650–[51].[1]

*For* Capt. ADAM BAYNES, *at Ledston.*

### 8.—FROM THE SAME.

COUZEN,

I have rec[d] yours, and shall after that I have compared notes with Major Mitchell give you an acco[t] whether as much money be betwixt you and myself as I demanded when I saw you last. I have this post written to M[r] Rymer and given him an account of my receipts and disbursements as to assessm[ts].

[1] It will be observed that the letters are dated according to the usual English mode of computing the year to commence on the 25th of March.

Here is little news here now. The Ministers at Sterling and Aberdeene have declared publickly against the K. and his party; what effect it will take is not known. The Kirk is likely to have the worse; all runs for the K. now, he and his party have dominion over all. They are raising men apace and must either fight or . . . . . within a short time. The Gen. and some Gen. officers have received some loss by sea lately, through the wilful cowardice of the Master of a ship, who upon the shot of a piece or two from the Bass and Tomtallan[1] yielded to them, and his vessel was sent into Fife. I have not time to say more but my kind respects to your dear, I rest

Your lo. Couzen,

Edenb. January 18th 1650–[51]. Jo. Baynes.

Bro. This letter came to my hands here at Leeds so made bold to open it, because I thought some Letters might be enclosed to be delivered here about. This is all but my kind respects to my sister and all other friends and that I am

Yor affectionate Bro.

Janr 24th 1650–[51]. Robt Baynes.

9.—FROM THE SAME.

Couzen,

Yesterday it was resolved by a grand council of field officers, that upon Monday next the Army should march westward, not only because of the little subsistence left hereabouts for the Army, but because 3000 of the Enemies horse and dragoons are come from Sterling and lie in the country and now and then give alarums to our men at Hambleton and Lithgow;[2] and its thought if the way and weather stop us not, we shall venture into Fife and try what spirits the enemy are of now. I fear it will be a very sore march, for bad weather now comes in. This day is a very stormy day. I know not yet whether I shall attend the Army or not in this march. . . . . .

I rest yor lo. Couzen,

Edenb. January 25th 1650–[51]. Jo. Baynes.

[1] On the 11th of January 1651. (Sir James Balfour's Annals).

[2] The towns of Hamilton and Linlithgow.

## 10.—MAJOR W. MITCHELL TO CAPT. A. BAYNES.

Edenburgh, this 25th January 1650-51.

Sir,

I am very sorry to put this sudden trouble upon you, but was necessitated thereto by the exceeding clamour of our Soldiery, which forced me to extraordinary exigencies in borrowing of moneys, to supply their present wants, which indeed at present is exceeding much, and revived their pressing demand of that old arrear which was used by my Colonel as an expedient to keep the Regiment whilst in England, in constant pay. And having applied myself to Commissary Baynes, from whom I expected no delay, but ample satisfaction and payment of the remainder of the 666. 13. 4. being our due of that third part of the 2000li by you returned for our three Northern Regiments I having by assignment received 224li in part thereof. However, he being unwilling and indeed refuseth to pay and account for the residue, I am constrained to be thus uncivil to you in point of time to draw on you a bill for 392. 13. 4. being the clear due to that account, the 50li your Quarter-Mr paid me being added therein as per the enclosed account. This Gent. who will present you with the bill will repay such monies as I have already, and shall upon that score, take up, having no other course to answer the complaint which they was forward to make unto my Lord General. Touching the other monies formerly deposited in your hands, have also sent you an account which I must assign the same to the several persons interested, who will themselves allow and account with you for your care and pains in the management of such debentures as belongeth to them or their companies; by which means an evident clear account may be passed, satisfactory both to me, you, and them, which will prevent future wranglings, being all subject to dissolution, especially a more appearing signal in our transactions, being now upon design to attempt something upon the Enemy in his own nest beyond the water, whither intelligence hath directed our march, expecting as great, if not greater difficulties than yet we have undergone, considering the season and hazards reason persuades us we shall meet with. Sir, the 30li you named to me that my Colonel received of Mr. Bosvile which I knew not of, I shall if you so please allow it in the accot of this 400li if all that sum be not yet received shall place so much on Capt. Fitzwilliam's account, betwixt whom is the chiefest neglect and controversy, otherwise, I shall not be able to answer in justice what is required

of me, and having in my conscience cleared these things in faithfullness and honesty, I shall be more free to my other duty, and I think there is not any thing herein omitted that may tend to demonstrate the truth in the discharge of this trust. For my own particular arrears, I should be very ungrateful did I not handsomely and civilly acknowledge your pains, and for my Colonel's and others that expects my accompting for them. Shall before I assign that money give you satisfaction excepting one bill [of] Capt. Wisdome; for 50$^{li}$ odd money urged from me: and truly Sir were I not tormented by some, and you knowing how the Regiment in its present untoward condition will be disposed to make out their necessities to the full. Shall beg your pardon, and crave you will be pleased to make convenient payment in what may be acceptable here. Shall desire to be honoured with your commands which shall readily be observed by

S$^{r}$ yo$^{r}$ faithful servant,

We march on Monday next. W. MITCHELL.

### 11.—CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

COUZEN,

I have but received one letter from you since my coming hither, though I have directed divers to you which I hope ere this you have received. . . . . Here is small news at present: if the weather be good Monday or Tuesday next the Army is to march westward, in order to an adventure in Fife. Tuesday last we had a design upon Brunt Island, but were by some means or other prevented and did only cause an alarum to the Enemy and put them on firing their Beacons, and terrified them more than hurt them. Till some things of concernment or I hear from you I shall not say more, resting

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

Edenb. Feb. 1. 1650–[51]. J. BAYNES.

My due respects to your dear wife.

### 12.—CAPT. ROBERT BAYNES TO THE SAME.

BROTHER,

I went to Eastfield where they all desired to be remembered unto you. M$^{ris}$ Chudworth (in our discourse) tooke occation to mention those thinges

you spoke of, but . . . . . she had a great desire to deliver them to yo$^{r}$ owne hands. I did not much press her for them. I waited upon my Lady Lambert as you directed, but she had newly writte by the post and had received letters from Edinb: by which she perceived, it would be very uncertaine whether I should see the Major Gen$^{ll}$ or not, so did not write. I have not yet seene Cornet Baynes or any others, for the Army is Westward, but I heare they are returneinge to their ould quarters. Humes . . . . . is taken: which is all at present, but my kind respects to yo$^{r}$ selfe, my sister with all other friends, and that I am

Yo$^{r}$ affectionate Bro.

Edenb. Feb$^{ry}$ 6$^{th}$ 1650–[51]. Rob$^{t}$ Baynes.

13.—CORNET JOHN BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Couzen,

I have received yours, and am much glad to hear of your and yours good getting to London. I desire my respects may be duly tendered. As yet I cannot hear good or bad of my adventure by sea: however, I verily believe the Lord will replenish me with food convenient.

This day I met your brother betwixt Edenburgh and Lithgoe. He is very well, and I hope you will hear from him next post.

There can no more than one of your men be past the musters: you may do well to signify to me his name. I shall endeavour to do what I can for you this muster, but cannot do it any more: the last muster I allowed for all, but after this you must not expect the like. If you want men to attend the purchased lands, you may have out of each troop a man, as other regiments do.

The head quarters of the Army was Tuesday night last at Lithgoe, on Wednesday night at Fawkirk, Thursday night at Kilsyth; where quarters being so mean, as that many of the horse, especially of the Major General's regiment were forced to lie in the fields, and that in a very cold frosty night. The Army marched no further, for upon better consideration we returned back, and came this night to Edenburgh. Intentions were when we went hence, to go for Fife, but the weather being bad and worse expected, together with information of the Enemys late raising of forts and redouts at the passes, which would have put us to much difficulty to beat them off, and also considering that before we could have gotten as far as Sterling or Fife side, the Army must, of necessity, laid out in the fields 4 nights, it was resolved to returne till farther orders. The Enemy all this march appeared

not. They upon the march received an alarum and drew all their force toward Sterling and the passes. No more now but that I am

Yo^r lo. Couzen,

Edenb. Feb. 8^th 1650-[51]. Jo. Baynes.

14.—FROM THE SAME.

Couzen,

. . . . . Yesterday came intelligence out of Fife that the people of Aberdeen did last week fall upon a regiment of foot newly raised which came to quarter there, and slew and dispersed them all.

Your lo. Couzen,

Edenburgh, 11^th Feb. 1650-[51]. J. Baynes.

Capt. Baynes.

Others say from Aberdeen, that there are great discontents there, being there now a grand meeting, and some are imprisoned there. You forgot the superscription of my letter.

15.—FROM THE SAME.

Couzen,

I have little to say at this time, but that I am in good health, I bless God, in the midst of mortality and much sickness. The General since our last march hath been much vexed with the flux, but is now pretty well. About two days ago Collo. Sanderson, the Governor of Lithgoe died. This day M^r Wolsey Assistant to the Q^ter M^r General died; and its reported that Sir Jo. Browne and Collo. Holburne are by the K. executed,[1] upon supposition of correspondence with us. Our guns have this day played very much against Tamtallan Castle.[2] A little time I hope will enable Collo. Monck who commands against it to give a good account of it. The Ma: General's regiment of horse are gone towards Jaddard[3] with Collo. Okey and the Advocate to find out and try the murderers of Capt. Dawson and 7 more with him. The whole town by relation are guilty, if so it will be all burnt down. Capt. Wisdome desires to know if you

[1] This report, as it will be seen, was unfounded.

[2] Tantallon Castle was surrendered to the English forces on the 21st of February 1651. (Balfour's Annals): See No. 17.

[3] Jedburgh: Jeddart is not an unusual pronunciation to this day by the common people.

have received his letter. Capt. Bradford hath been twice very earnestly soliciting the Major General for liberty to go to London in behalf of the regiment, but is wholly denied. My due respects to my Coz. your good wife, and to her sister, which is all but that I am

Your lo. Couzen,

Edenburgh, February 15th 1650–[51]. Jo. Baynes.

The K. was this week at his garrison of Brunt Island.

16.—FROM THE SAME.

Cousin,

I have received yours, and as for the 600li bill upon Mr Calvart ordered by Mr Lovell, I did never see it, nor hear of it till your last to me, therefore you may do well to find it out. Its possible you might send it to me after that I went from York, and came into the North, and the letter might thereby come short of me, or else, in the midst of your much business, intend to send it and forgot. I assure you I did not at all receive it or any intimations of it. As for Capt. Sheapardson's bill of 100li I sent you it back again in my last to you, because Capt. Sheapardson hath declined his command here, and is gone home. I confess I never could see him to demand it, but your Brother spoke to him at Lithgoe, and he put in some slender dillatory answer. The accot betwixt Maj. Mitchell and myself is perfected, and how far cleared I signified to you in my last, so that I need not say more to that. When I speak to any officers whose regiment are in arrear any way to you, I have no other answer then that they know you have money sufficient in your hands to defray all charge. Your Brother is in good health, he lodged with me last night. No news this post. I rest

Your lo. Cousin,

Edinburgh, February 18th 1650–[51]. J. Baynes.

I pray signify to me if Mr Dawson's 700li be paid to him.

17.—FROM THE SAME.

Couzen,

Yours I have and shall, first conveniency, deliver your letter to the Regiment, and shall answer your desires in both. I shall speak to the Major General, first opportunity about it.

Tombtallen Castle is ours[1] upon terms of mercy. The prisoners are in number about 100 and are coming towards Edenburgh. Some Englishmen were supposed to [have] been therein, but none found. The Castle is very well furnished with all necessaries as I am informed. Being in much haste I shall not add more now than my due respects to all with you, resting

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

Edenb. Feb. 22. 1650–[51]. Jo. BAYNES.

### 18.—CORNET J. BAYNES TO CAPT. A. BAYNES.

COUZEN,

I hear your Cornet is going to leave your service, and that Cornet Pickering is intended for his place, yet it may be your letter to the Ma: Gen: may timely provide for your brother Joseph. I know not of a Cornet's vacancy in Collo. Lilburne's regiment. I need not acquaint you with the narrow escape which Sir Philip Musgrave had yesterday senight in the West, for I know it was at London last post. All he had was taken in a ship with letters, Commissions and instructions from the King, which may prove of good use in finding out a great deal of knavery in England. The General hath been desperately sick but is now pretty well recovered. No more but my due respects to your good wife. I rest

Your very lo. Couzen,

Edenb. March 11$^{th}$ 1650–[51.] J. BAYNES.

Present my service to Ma: Pounall and his wife.

### 19.—FROM THE SAME.

COUZEN,

. . . . . For news here is little. The enemy with about 400 horse, gave an alarm to Lithgow garrison on Wednesday last, but did us no harm. We took Da. Lathbry's Capt. Lieu$^{t}$ prisoner and killed his horse in their retreat. Ma. Gen. Regiment of Horse are ordered to come to this town to quarter upon Wednesday next. Your Lieu$^{t}$ hath gotten 21 days time for England: yesterday he went from hence. Your brother is in good health.

[1] See the former letter, No. 15, note 2.

Our seamen have this week taken two Scotts ships of good prize; one of them is ladend with corn and other provisions, and the other hath plate, money, clothes, and some valuable things in her. Want of our boats hinders action. I rest

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

Edenb. March 15$^{th}$ 1650-[51.] Jo. Baynes.

20.—MAJOR CARTER TO CAPT. A. BAYNES.

Sir,

It is the desire of myself and the rest of the officers of Major General Lambart's regiment of foot, to receive a line or two from you concerning your proceedings in our affairs: about the first moiety we hear that all the rest of the King's lands are sold unto the tenants, and that we may have the other moiety in money; and pray use the best means for us, or direct us what course we shall take. This is all for the present from

Your faithful friend to serve you,

Edenburgh, 15 March 16$\frac{5}{5}\frac{1}{1}$. And. Carter.

21.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Couzen,

I desire you to signify to me in your next whether or no a Martiall's man be established at Cliffords Tower in York, for M$^{r}$ Gerard writes to me he is not, and pay is now detained from him, though it were paid till the Armys march from York into Scotland. If you can do any favour herein for the poor man it will be a great deal of charity.

Captain Wisdom tenders his services to you, and intreats you to add some debentures which he bought of his soldiers to the rest of his Company in the purchase of Crown lands. The soldiers were, and are still, of his company, and methinks his request is very reasonable. It need not be discovered that they are bought and sold, and if it should hereafter appear to be so, the hazard he is very willing to run and stand to, I pray you therefore deny it not.

The King's Army draws apace towards Sterling and some are come on this side: its thought some action will follow shortly. My choice respects to your dear wife.

I rest yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

Edenb. March 18$^{th}$ 1650-[51.] Jo. Baynes.

22.—CAPT. ROBERT BAYNES TO THE SAME.

BROTHER,

I am negligent in writing to you because I have not whereof to write. Your Lieut. is in England. I spoke this day with your Cornet, but they have received no pay since you went from hence. We have no news at all, only the enemy is pleased sometimes to visit us at Lithgow with some bodies of horse, but doth not attempt any thing against us. I suppose you have heard that Major Sanderson, our late Governor, is dead, and Adjutant Gen: Sydenham is our Governor, who desired me to present his service unto you, and to my Sister (whom he calls his wife) upon whom he charges the debt of a pair of gloves. Pray present my kind respects to my sister and all other friends with you, which is all at present but that I am

Yo$^{r}$ affectionate Brother,

Edenb. March 20. 1650-[51.] ROB$^{T}$. BAYNES.

23.—CORNET ROKEBY TO THE SAME.

SIR,

I perceive there is some money to be received for lead which belonged to Richmond House. I desire that my part may be paid unto my Bro. Tho: seeing I have such extraordinary occasions at this time for money, otherwise I desire that Lieu$^{t}$ Collo. Goodrick may have the disposal both of mine and my father's Troops part, and I shall give you my discharge and procure the troops too for our several portions. We are now quartered in Edinburgh. My Lieu$^{t}$ and Quar$^{mr}$ are both in England. We all desire to be remembered to you. I entreat your answer herein by the next post. I take leave and remain

Your friende and servant,

Edenburgh, the 21$^{st}$ of March 16$\frac{5}{1}\frac{0}{1}$. H. ROKEBY.

24.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

COUZEN,

. . . . . The enclosed from Ma. Goodricke, hints at some jealous and hard thoughts of you. I pray you vindicate yourself and leave the officers without any ground of suspicion, for indeed I overhear now and then the discontent

of some men, which I cannot bear, and am therefore urgent with you to satisfy them in your proceedings. I know it cannot be that all men will be void of rash judgement, yet I desire you to clear up your integrity, to all men, as far as may be.

I wish you could make an end with Ma. Mitchell some way or other, for his friend at London intimates to him small hopes of the money from you, which puts the Ma. into ill thoughts, and some discontents. I am very sorry that all these things jump together and would even seem to be something, but I hope time will clear all (a word is enough). The Lord Warriston is this day come hither. Some of our ships are gone up the river to Blackness, and Collo. Monck with some foot and horse is gone thitherward by land; but more of news in my next. Collo. Deane is come safe hither. 3 Scotch murderers were this day executed. I am in haste, resting

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

Edenb. March 29. 1651. Jo. Baynes.

25.—FROM THE SAME.

Cousin,

. . . . . I have not rec$^{d}$ any pay (except 3 or 4$^{li}$) since my last coming hither, indeed I am in hopes and expectations of some shortly . . . . .

Yesterday the Ma. General and his regiments of horse and foot went to Blackness, where the Enemy is upon terms, our guns having made a breach, and our men ready to fall on: hourly expectation we have of the surrender of it. The Enemy at Sterling threatened to raise the siege if 20,000 men would do it, but I believe they will scarce adventure to do it, or if they come it will be too late. My choice respects to y$^{r}$ good wife: I wish her a safe delivery.

I rest yo$^{r}$ lo. Cousin,

Edenb. Apr. 1. 1651. Jo. Baynes.

26.—CAPT. ROBERT BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Brother,

. . . . . We have little news; only Tuesday last Blackness Castle, 2 miles hence was surrendered. The enemy hath about 4 regiments, horse and dragoons quartered upon this side Sterling. They come sometimes to

visit us, but without any attempt against us, except they meet with any of our men straggling in the country. We lost 10 men in that manner about 4 days ago, whereof 4 were mine. I had 3 taken and one slain: it was within half a mile of the town. Yesterday Middleton was expected down at Saint Johnston's, with ten thousand men. No more at present but my well wishes, &c.

Robt. Baynes.

Lithgow, Apr. 6. 1651.

27.—CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Couzen,

I have received yours per this and the last post, but not any enclosed to Levt Collo. Carter, which makes him and the regiment admire that they hear not from you. I shall discharge Capt. Siddall's bill to Major Cotterell; part I have already paid. I shall acquaint such as are concerned with the unhappy accidents of bills, and work them to patience for a time. No news at all since my last. I am now going towards Hamelton, so that I may happen to forbear writing 2 or 3 posts till my return. I pray let me know what my bought debentures will add to my advantage, and how they will be paid. No more but my choice respects to my Coz. I rest

Your truly lo. Couzen,

Edenburgh, April 8th 1651. Jo. Baynes.

Pray you present my service to Admiral General Bury. Tell him I have received his, and shall at my return answer his desire; at present I cannot, the Regiment being at Dalkeith.

28.—FROM THE SAME.

Couzen,

I have received yours and shall not deny any money that comes to my hand upon your account, and make it payable to Cornet Pickeringe. Major Cottrell's bill I shall discharge. Not one silable do I hear of my sea venture so that except my arrears and purchased debents make some improvement I am much at a loss. My due and choice respects to my Coz. your wife.

Blackness is our own, the people in it are gone to their own dwellings. Yesterday the Earl of Eglinton and one of his sons, with Lev[t] Collo. Cowburne and some others came here prisoners: They were taken at Dumbarton nappin.[1] This day a Trumpeter is come to the Earl from the K——; he is Capt. of the K—— guard and a very eminent person at the Court. 3 or 4 Scotts and Danes vessels are this week brought into Leith Road with considerable prize. Your men are continued in your own roll as yet. No more than that I am,

Yo[r] lo. Couzen,

Edenb. Apr. 8[th] 1651. Jo. Baynes.

29.—CAPT. W. WALKER TO THE SAME.

Dear Sir,

I have received yours, but am at this time unfurnished with any thing considerable to relate. There are some who hath already prejudged you, but that's no rule to calculate by. For my part if I may serve you in that way of censure-prevention you mention, I shall readily again do it, and indeed conscientiously and faithfully as one whom I durst oblige for. Your enclosed to your Cosen Com. shall be delivered at his return from Hambl'ton. Captain Baily is arrived: the little case of strong waters with the other little box, and the fauchion he hath delivered. The hampers are aboard yet. Good Sir, hasten M[r] Lort, and send us the suit so soon as the first comes, who I think may be Capt. Packer. Here is no news, but the Foe's and our preparation to take field. My humble service to your wife, M[rs] Lilburne, and accept it yourself from

Yours faithfully,

April 12[th] [1651.] W. W.

30.—CORNET JOHN BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have even now come home and therefore have not time to give you accompt of what money of yours is in my hand: by the next I shall fully do it,

[1] "On Monday the vii of Apryle 1651, the Earle of Eglintoun being on his journey to visite his lady, wes surprisit in Dumbartane, and he and his son Colonell James [Montgomery] and Colonell Cokburne wer carryit away be the Englishes, first to Edinburgh, and thairefter to Hull in England; but by the way, in Scotland, Colonell Cokburne escaped." (Nicoll's Diary, p. 51.)

and also what your brother hath: I expect him here to-morrow or next day, for his company is to come from Lithgow. If I hinted to you any thing of my being out of service, it is more than I remember or (at least) than is true, and therefore I believe you mistake in reading it. My unfortunate brother is well: I wish he may keep so, for I fear much his improvidence will undo him. . . . . .

Yesterday a party of the Enemy's horse fell into Lithgow: some small engagement was made with them and Major Sidenham, he is wounded, and that somewhat dangerously. The Enemy took only one prisoner and killed us 5 men. We took 5 or 6 prisoners and slew 5 of theirs. This week, it's said, our Army will have some motion. In haste, I am,

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Cozen,

Edenb. April 15. 1651. Jo. Baynes.

### 31. — CAPT. W. WALKER TO THE SAME.

Sir,

I have received yours, which tells me of my M$^{r}$ his suit being ready and your intention to send it by Capt. Stoddard. I pray you desire M$^{r}$ Lort to make my M$^{r}$ a coat like the last he made him, of such as is most in fashion (the last was of Tamaletla Hollandiæ). I shall take care to repay what you have paid M$^{r}$ Banks for me. News we have little. We are at Glasgow with the Army, what we shall do next we know not. L$^{t}$ General and officers had a conference yesterday with the ministers of this place, but little satisfaction amongst them. My service to your lady and M$^{rs}$ Lilburne, and accept it yourself, from

Your most affectionate servant,

Glasgow, April 24$^{th}$ [1651] W. W.

My M$^{r}$ remembers him to yourself and wife, and thanks you for your pains in his business, and for the money you charge upon him, he will pay it in Yorkshire.

### 32. — CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours of the 15$^{th}$ instant, and also one from your brother, which I shall be careful to deliver at our first meeting. That regiment is quartered 4 miles hence (to-morrow I purpose to see him). I am very glad (with you) that a good and safe end is made with M$^{rs}$ Lovell. This enclosed will

intimate what I have received upon yours, and what upon Mr Maryott's account, since my coming into Scotland. There is one month's pay more received for you, but it is not yet come to my hand. When I receive it I shall signify it to you and then you may order it to whom you please. Your brother tells me he hath not received any for you.

I desire to know upon what security I may expect satisfaction for my bought debentures: I confess I would willingly make as much of them as I can (because my sea shipwreck hath made me much indebted to the Committee at York), and my study is how to disengage myself thereof. Most of the Army is in and about Glasgow. Want of provision both for man and horse will very shortly urge us to a remove. It's said the King, with what force he hath, is come to and abouts Sterling. Little action can be thought of this month yet, for there is not any thing on the ground to enable and encourage either Army to the field.

Wednesday last a long and serious debate was made betwixt the General, Major-General, and some others on our part, and Mr James Guthrie, Mr Peregrine Galaspy,[1] and some other Scotch Ministers on that part. The discourse was concerning our invading Scotland. It was by our party exceeding well cleared, and sufficiently proved just and necessary; but the Scotch Ministers who argued the contra are not yet satisfied:[2] they will not at present believe that our grounds sufficiently warrant our invasion; but I hope divers of their countrymen are somewhat convinced, and will a little better comply with us than formerly. Another discourse is intended in points of religion, that, if possible, all means of a better understanding may be attempted, and the issue left to God. I shall not add more now but rest

Yor lo. Cozen,

Glasgow, April 25th 1651. Jo. Baynes.

Seath Stable is dead and buried.

### 33.—COLONEL ROBERT LILBURNE TO THE SAME.

Sir,

I conceive if we had money for recruits, they might with more conveniency be raised in Yorkshire, and put the state to no charges for an officer to conduct them; but if you will please to do me the favour to receive the money

[1] Patrick Gillespie.

[2] See Baillie's Letters and Journals, vol. iii., pp. 166, 168.

and confer with Capt. Peaverell and Corn[t] Sanderson about the raising 40 or 50 honest and stout men, they might be sent with some other recruits that come from London; and for the rest I think we shall get them in the north parts of England very well, and for paying them that advance which is allowed, I shall disburse it here and charge it upon you by bill. Or if you advise me any other way I shall be ready to follow good counsel. I have spoke to Corn[t] Baynes to accept of Capt. Lister's Colours and I hope I shall have his company in my Reg[t]. I have little news to tell you but that we are all here about Glasgow, but in no condition to advance upon the enemy for want of forage. I have nothing further but presenting my kind service to yourself and your good lady, I rest

Your real servant,

Hamilton, Ap. 29[th] 1651. R[t] Lilburne.

I pray present my kind love to my Sister, and desire her to excuse my not writing to her this time. I entreat your conveyance to the enclosed.

### 34.—CAPT. W. WALKER TO THE SAME.

Sir,

M. Gen. hath commanded me to signify his receipt of your last, of concerning the monies for recruits for his regiment, which by the next he will give you directions about after advice with the officers thereof. We are drawn from Glasgow, having eaten them indifferently. Col. Lil. and Dan. is drawn from Hambleton, and one company of foot and two horse in the Duke's house. Sir, my humble service to your lady and M[rs] Lilb. Pardon the haste of

Your affect. servant,

Edb. May 3. [1651.] W. W.

Pray deliver the enclosed.

### 35.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours of the 22[nd] of April last . . . . . I am myself much solicited (and have some inclinations to it) to be Cornet to Capt. Lister. I wish I knew well what to do in it. D[r] Deviveer and Capt. Bayly tender their respects to you. Yesterday the Army came back to Edenburgh, and is now

disposed and dispersed to quarters again. Some few small garrisons are left in the west. Collo. Lilburne is to quarter now about Jeddart and Kelsey in Tindale. No action likely to happen this month, because the earth will not afford forage. I pray you remember me to your weary wife: I pray God give her an easy and joyful deliverance.

In haste I rest,

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Cozen,

Edenb. May 3. 1651. J. BAYNES.

Seath Stable is dead.

### 36.—CAPT. W. WALKER TO THE SAME.

SIR,

I must again be troublesome to you to send the enclosed which is for another suit to M$^{r}$ Lort. I must entreat you to buy two handsome sword belts for Maj. General, one with black fringe a shoulder belt, the other of strong buff for the middle, used to hang a charging sword in. I must desire you to buy him a good French hat of the best sort, and one of an ordinary sort with most fashionable black bands, for gold or silver pleaseth him not. Also to get M$^{r}$ Kendell our shoemaker to make 2 pair of handsome walking boots, and one pair of summer riding boots, with two pair of Spanish leather shoes. Tell him to make them of better stuff than the last we took from London, and that they may be ready to send with the rest. Sir, I must beg your excuse for continuing to trouble you, and to present my service to your lady and M$^{rs}$ Lilburne.

No more but am

Your humble servant,

Edenburgh, May 7. 1651. W. WALKER.

### 37.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

COZEN,

. . . . . Seth Stable died of a violent fever. The Ma. General's regiment of horse wants about 50 men of the establishment, and Collo. Lilburne's about 70. I shall give you a better account in my next. Your Cornet is gone for England for about 6 weeks time. There is little news at present. It's said the enemy intends a general rendezvous at Sterling about Wednesday next. Such

of the inhabitants of Leith as will not or cannot engage to be true and faithful to the English interest and garrison here are to turn out.

I entreat you in the name of Dr Devevier to buy 3 dozen of quart glass bottles of the best Canary sack in London, and that they may come in the first vessel to Leith, directed to him at Mr Riddall's house, and signify to me what you disburse for the same (and by whom you send it) and it shall be at sight paid at London or here. If you effect this business well, you may be assured we shall dedicate 1 pottle in rememberance of you and yours. I shall not say more now but rest

Yor lo. Cozen,

Edenb. May 10th 1651. J. Baynes.

My dear respects to your travailing wife.

38.—CAPT. WILLIAM SIDDALL TO THE SAME.

Sir,

I have received yours, dated 2. May, and perceive you have not received my money of Mr Dunton, but you intend to prosecute suit against him if he pay you not shortly. Sir, I do admire at that man who professed so much honesty and should slight his friends as he hath done. Good Sir, neglect no time to get me that money, for I never had such an infamy upon me in all my life by some as the want of that. I am glad you have paid Major Cotterell's bill, but Capt. Skipper wants at least 30li which at Glasgow he fell out with me and gave me very bad language. Sir, I remembered you to my Major and let him see your letter, but for the bills he is as formerly to account . . . . . We have no news here but lie in our old quarters againe about Edenburg. The enemy is still at variance among themselves. . . . . .

Your assured loving friend and servant,

Edenburgh this 14th May 1651. Will. Siddall.

39.—CORNET BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours and (as in my last) I shall pay to Cornet Pickering the 20li I had of him that the 40li may be entire. The Ma. General is

pleased to promise fair to me concerning a better salary or better employment. I wish Dr Slane were come out of Ireland. I pray you tender my due respects to your mother and your only friend: I earnestly desire to hear of her deliverance. I cannot certainly say what I received from Mr Dawson for the houses, but I take it to be 580li, but what rent I cannot tell, except I were at York, nor can I tell what I have disbursed about the same, for I have not any accompts here. I am sorry you should be so little a gainer by my Uncle as I fear you will be if the Clothiers fall upon you. I cannot imagine what to advise you to in it: I wish you well quit of it.

The King is at Sterling. Some 8 regiments of foot are in tents and huts a little this side Sterling: we shall not meddle with them except they incroach. Some Flanders horses were taken this week going by sea to the King. I shall not add more now but rest

Yor lo. Cozen,

Edenb. May 17th 1651. J. Baynes.

Captain Bayly remembers his kind respects to you and yours.

*For* Capt. Adam Baynes, *at York House in the Strand, these.*

## 40.—COLONEL ROBERT LILBURNE TO THE SAME.

Sir,

I received 2 letters from you lately about my recruits, and shall be only troublesome to you thus far as to send me down about 30 or 40 men, but I desire they may be very choice civil men. I writ to Leut Turner about getting some such, and shall (if Cornt Sanderson come from London) desire he only may have the conduct of them. As for the rest of the number allowed, I have agents at work in our northern counties, and many come to us very well appointed, and I think if I rest but here about ten days longer my Regt will be reasonable complete, but if so many more do come I shall get room for them also: and for the money I shall give you an account what is disbursed, and send word how to return it unto York or elsewhere. I shall wish your good lady a happy house and shall rejoice at her welfare; presenting my kind respects to yourself and her, I rest

Your very affectionate servt,

Swinton, near Barwick, Rt Lilburne.

May 20. 1651.

I have no news, being far from the head quarters, but only a great report of Dav. Lesley's head being cut off, and some other great ones imprisoned; but I think this is but a report.

41.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours, and do entreat you at first conveniency to remember D^r^ Devevier's wine. (I hope to have some of it.) I bless God, with you, that my Cosen is safely delivered. I desire she may be restored to her perfect health, and be made a glad and joyful mother. I pray you remember me very kindly to her. I confess I have often remembered Adm^l^ Gen. Berry's man, but as often forgotten it, but next week if possible I will answer his desire. The regiment quarters out of town else I had done it ere now. I pray if you see M^r^ Gerard (my brother's muster master) ask him when he expects the D^r^. I wish he would either come or not come, then I could resolve how to dispose of myself. The enemy is drawing more and more by degrees on this side Sterling, which occasions us to contract quarters. The most of our horse will quarter near Edenburgh next week. Preparations are now making for the field, we know not how suddenly we may be thither, but its thought shortly. I wish the General be able to accompany and head the Army this summer; it's feared he cannot. I cannot acquaint you with more of concernment. Capt^n^ Pockley remembers him kindly to you, and desires your special care of his business, for he safely refers himself to you. Your Lieu^t^ remembers him to you, his mother, and young sister. I rest

Your lo. Cozen,

Edenburgh, May 24^th^ 1651. J. Baynes.

42.—FROM THE SAME.

Cousin,

I have received none from you this post. I wish all be well with you. The King's army is still encamped on this side Sterling, their horse (as it is said) are to rendezvous and muster this day, their great endeavours are for a great body of horse, intending (as reports go) to make an inroad into England. I hope if they go, they will find a sufficient repulse. Our Army is now very close,

and are in daily expectations of motion. No more but my due and dear respects to your wife and mother. I rest

Yo$^{r}$ truly lo. Cozen,

Edenb. June 3. 1651. J. BAYNES.

45.—LIEU$^{T}$ COLLO. CARTER TO THE SAME.

SIR,

Yours we have received dated 24$^{th}$ May, being the second from London, and we hope Major Pownall is coming forward to his charge that we may receive some information from him more than you declare in your letter as you hint upon. I am moving, that the 4 soldiers at Wimbleton may be mustered the next, we hope it will be granted, and for the sale of Wimbleton House without the garden. We all are of your mind. I myself knows it very well what timber may be sold to the benefit of the purchasers. It is much desired of all, and I will assure you, upon this letter of yours imparted to the rest, according to your directions, is very much taken with them, and doth desire me to give you hearty thanks for your discreet managing of their affairs, we being so remote. But concerning Lancaster great park in Surry, by yours we understand there is some entanglement, which we desire to know what it is before we can give you our result: and for the present doubling of debentures, truly officers and soldiers for the most part want money but that for their debentures them to sell theirs at 16 or 18 pence a pound, they are resolved rather to lose all, and let the Universal Judge receive it, and give account at the latter day. We desire to hear from you as often as is convenient time will permit. This is from your faithful friend to serve you, by me to subscribe which am

Your faithful brother in Christ,

Edenburg, June 3$^{d}$ '51. AND. CARTER.

*For his much honoured friend,* Capt. ADAM BAYNES *at London or elsewhere these, London.*

46.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

COZEN,

I have no news at all to impart to you at this time, save that almost every day some officer or other is turning out, or articled against upon some account or other. . . . . .

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Cozen,

Edenb. June 7$^{th}$ 1651. J. BAYNES.

47. — FROM THE SAME.

COZEN,

I have received yours, and have no more at this time to say than that I have delivered your letters enclosed, and that at present we have here no news. The Enemy is drawing all his force on this side Sterling, and would have us believe that he would fight us. We have great and daily change of Officers in the Army. Your brother is well, and with myself desires to be remembered to your uprising wife.

I am, yo^r lo. Cozen,

Eden. June 10th 1651. J. BAYNES.

Two prize vessells came in this day: the lading I yet know not.

48. — FROM THE SAME.

COZEN,

. . . . . Collo. Sexby is laid aside by a Court Martial for some failings, and divers are likely to follow. The Enemy and we remain still at great distance — no thoughts of an engagement yet. I believe next week our Army will take the field. Several regiments of horse are already in their tents about Edenburgh — our money ship not yet come.

I rest, yo^r lo. Cozen,

Edenburgh, June 14th 1651. J. BAYNES.

49. — CAPT. W. WALKER TO THE SAME.

SIR,

I have nothing of news to salute you with, and very little other business, but to tell you from the Major General, that by the next you may expect answer to your last; which he had this day done, but being long at a Council of War upon C. Sexby, and being called up early in the morning by an alarum, is gone to bed very sleepy and weary, and had much to do to keep his eyes open whilst his tongue dictated one letter this post for London. L^t Collo. Sexby is cashiered the Army, you'll hear particulars from other hands. Walforth and I

remembereth you, your wife, and Mrs Lilburne, to them all three present my service. I am sorry for loss of your first endeavours. Sir,

Your humble servant,

14. June 1651. W. WALKER.

I expect your answer to my last by the next post.

50.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

COZEN,

. . . . . The money long looked for, is this night expected if not come: when we have got a little parcel we shall take the field, and try if the Enemy has a mind to fight.

Nothing more frequent here than our Officers exhibiting articles against one another, and ousting one another: a man must have good footing that stands here. Captain Spenser is dead of a fever: yesterday he was buried. I desire to be remembered to all friends with you, resting

Your very lo. Cozen,

Edenb. June 17th '51. J. BAYNES.

51.—FROM THE SAME.

COZEN,

I have received yours. This day came Mrs Lambert to Edenburgh and your brother[1] also. This night he is with me. I shall use my utmost skill to advantage him. I wish I were clear my way of the Commissioners at York; though I confess they never call of me for it, it is a burden to me.

The Enemy continues still in their trenches: we move into the field within ten days. The money is come, and is paying out with all speed. Lieutenant Collo. Crooke hath laid down his commission, and will not answer at a Court Martial. No more now but that I am,

Yor very lo. Cozen,

Edenb. June 21. '51. J. BAYNES.

[1] Cornet Joseph Pease, brother-in-law to Captain Adam Baynes.

### 52. — CAPT. FITZWILLIAM TO THE SAME.

Sir,

I received a bill of ninety pounds of my Major to be paid by you, which I sent to my brother Robert and desired him to receive the money of you, which he saith you cannot pay. Sir, my request to you is, that you will do me the favour to pay it, or give it me under your hand that you cannot, or that you have not so much money of the Regiment's or my Major's in your hands, for the officers and soldiers are very importunate with me for it; and as for that hundred pounds that you say is not paid, it concerns me no more then the rest of the Regiment, for at my coming from London I acquainted my Collo. and Major what I had done, they was satisfied. Sir, I desire you let me have two or three words in answer, that I may be able to satisfy both the officers and soldiers, in which doing you will much oblige, Sir,

Your humble servant,

Leith, June the 22nd 1651. Jo. Fitzwilliam.

### 53. — CORNET J. PEASE TO THE SAME.

Brother,

I have not received any from you since I writ two of my last. The Major General's lady came into Edenburgh this Saturday at night, with whom I came, and therefore now desire that you would advise me what course to take, and withall I desire that you would let me have your letter to the Major General. No news that I hear of but that the Army is about going into the field. This is all but to be remembered kindly to my dear Sister, with all the rest of our friends with you, and to rest

Your affectionate Brother,

Edenburgh, 24th June 1651. J. Pease.

### 54. — CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cozen,

The news from Ireland is an acceptable and seasonable mercy. I hope you may hear of some good news from hence in a short time, for we are this day receiving provisions and preparing for the field: we expect to march

to-morrow. Our intelligence informs us that the Enemy is upon some motion: what they intend is unknown: be it what it will we shall readily attend them. I cannot add more but conjectures, therefore I shall cease, and remain

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Cozen,

Edenb. June 24$^{th}$ 1651. J. Baynes.

I would gladly see the bottles of sack come ere we take the field. Remember my choice respects to your Second, and forget me not to all the rest. Both your Brothers are well.

### 55. — FROM THE SAME.

Couzen,

The news from Ireland is very acceptable. Blessed be God. That John Lilburne is come clear off makes some glad and others discontented. I shall now resume my trade of buying debentures: I might have bought many since your prohibition, but did not.

I much wish a good place in the Court, such a one as I might sufficiently discharge . . .

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Couzen,

[June 1651.] Jo. Baynes.

### 56. — FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received none from you this post. Our Army quarters now on Penclan hills[1] (our old quarters). The Enemy, as its reported, has quit Kallender House[2] near Lithgow, and burnt it. They keep still their quarters near Sterling: we shall not hasten towards them, as I perceive.

Collo. Lilburne desires you to return the 50$^{li}$ you received for recruits of his Regiment: he hath many recruits come into Scotland to his regiment lately. Major Goodrick desires the like. I am in great haste and cannot say more but make tender of my due respects to your good wife, and rest

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Cozen,

Edenb. June 28$^{th}$ 1651. J. Baynes.

[1] The Pentland Hills, about 10 miles south of Edinburgh.

[2] Callendar House: see No. 62.

### 57.—MISTRESS LAMBERT TO THE SAME.

Good Captaine,

I bles the Lord I am safe gotten into Scot Land, where for sume dayes I happyly enjoy my dearest frend, butt now hee is gone into the feeld and it is thought that an ingagment betwext them and the enemy will sudanly be; I trust our good God will deside the quarell betwext use. I had very good company of your brother in my jorney, truly hee is a pretty discreet man and cannot want what ether my husband or selfe cane doe to doe him good; hee is att present in my husbandes owne troop hee haveing furnished with armes; I find my husband hath payed 200 pound heare to his regement of horse towardes the disscarging that mony you have disbursed for use, and Will. Claxston hath payd, one hundered by your appointment att York, soe that I hop accountes is allmost cleare betwext use; as for the fust mony payd to my cosen Banks I rem. I payed itt to your wife in my own chamber. I hop shee doth rem. it if I don't, not butt M^r^ Blage will be satisfyed when hee seeth his owne discharge; if you please to send downe the partuceler billes to Will. Claxston it will doe well. I pray rem. my kind Love to your wife and mother. I hartly now wish you heare att your command and your wife heare to keepe mee company, for I have a great want of hir. Our army is att Leeghes [Lithgow], and the enemy some 9 miles beyond: this is all att present, but that I am

Your reall frend,

July th: i: [1651.] F. L.

### 58.—CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cousin,

I have received yours of the 21^st^ and 24^th^ and 28^th^ of June last. If you employ another man in Jos. Pease's place, and send me his name, I shall muster him somewhere. The Major General seems at present to be most willing to have him ride in his own troop, which he accepts of in time. I hope you will remember him otherways: he pleaseth to give him good respect and countenance: he shall not want any thing that I can befriend him withall. Lieu^t^ Collo. Crooke hath laid down his com^n^ and is gone home and will not answer his articles. Lieu^t^ Collo. Carter is gone off too and will not stay till his articles come forth. Tippling is the maine against both. I refer the price of assigned debentures to your rate of 4s. p. li., if no more can be got.

On Wednesday last the Army marched from Lithgow towards the enemy, and had hopes to engage them, but it seems their inclinations are not yet to it. We encamped all the night near to their camp, having little more than a little water betwixt us.[1] In the night, they drew up their Army, and brought four guns out of their trenches to a hill side near the river; and about 3 of clock in the morning begun to play them, and made many shots in our camp but did very little harm, killed not above 3 or 4 men. We then took an alarum, and drew a little back, thinking they had a mind to fight, but they would not take our ground; so that, after we had played one or two of our guns awhile at them, seeing without much disadvantage we could not force them to engage, we drew off our army, and came back to Lithgow upon Thursday night; and so quiet and calm were they that they would not once appear in our rear, but let us very honestly go off. I think they were glad to be rid of us, but very shortly we shall be with them again. I think we shall go against Kallender House this day. Mr Walker hath lost the letter wherein you mention the ship and man's name with whom you sent the hamper. Pray notify it again, and send your ship bill, least we lose it. I am

Yor lo. Cousin,

From the Camp, July 5th '51. J. Baynes.

59.—FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours and shall as soon as I come to Edenburgh again send you Collo. Alured's and Majr Talbot's notes for the 7th. Your brothers are very well. Our Army hath encamped about Glasgow these 4 nights. I know not whether we shall move this day or not. The Enemy is come to Kilsyth, within 8 or 10 miles of this place. It is said, Marquess Huntley is lately come to their army with some force. It may be now they will act some thing according to their large braggs. Little else of concernment now, therefore I shall not further trouble you, but to make tender of my dear respects to all with you, resting

Yor lo. Cozen,

Campe neare Glasgow, J. Baynes.
July 11th 1651.

[1] See letter of Capt. W. Walker on the 14th of July: No. 61.

### 60.—MRS. LAMBERT TO THE SAME.

Good Capting,

I have received yours, for which I thank you. I am glad your wife is well abroad again. I pray let me hear constantly from you, and a dirnall[1] will be very acceptable. Here is no news, only the King's army will not fight and our Army is marching back, so that I begin to be much more satisfied in my stay here than I was some few days since, for now I hope to see my dearest very shortly. I pray remember my affectionate love to your wife, and pray her if the scallop be not come that Jane writ to you for, to send it by the next, and a yard of very fine French lawne: these I imagine may come by the post. I think the way to have them come safe is to direct them to Coll. George Finnick, governor of Leith, and enclose them in a blank paper and within directed to me. This is all at present but my very kind respects, which I cannot doubt but will be wellcome to you, seeing they come from

Your real frend,

From Leeth, July the 12. [1651]. F. L.

### 61.—CAPT. W. WALKER TO THE SAME.

Sir,

I have yours of the 28th of August month, and have nothing to return you till the Major General shall be at leisure to [consider] business of that nature it imports; wherewith indeed I cannot reasonably burthen him in regard of his great share of trouble at this time, when we are upon probability of acting upon the Enemy. Upon Wednesday last, we marched with our whole Army from Lithgoe, beyond Falkirk 1 mile and a half, and faced the Enemy that night and part of the next day, but drew off in regard of a river which run betwixt them and us, so that we could not possibly engage them without great and unnecessary hazard. Some bickering there was, but with little gallantry on their side, and several great shot was exchanged. They lay intrencht in and about Torwood.[2] This day the Council sits, consulting what will be fitt'st to be done, and I hope we shall not draw any further back till we have done something. I shall as

[1] Meaning a "Diurnal," or "Intelligencer," published weekly.

[2] Torwood lies south of Stirling, and is celebrated for the oak, in the body of which Wallace is said to have secreted himself after the battle of Falkirk.

opportunity serves, give you some cursory accompt of things. I have not yet received the particulars you sent my Mistress. I have paid 200li to Cornet Pickering, and you say Bro. Claxston hath paid One, which makes 300li. My Master shall be reminded of the rest so soon as leisure can permit. We hear nothing of the ship the things comes in. My humble service to your Lady and Mrs Lilburne. Mrs Peace is well, so is your Coz. Commissary.

Your humble servant,

From the Camp near Lithgoe, 14th July 1651. W. WALKER.

62.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

COZEN,

I have received yours of the 4th and 12th instant, and shall put in Wm Halliday in lieu of your brother. I believe your brother's man may come in as a recruit, but himself cannot, because of his former musters. I do not yet hear of the hampers sent to the Majr Genal. I fear a miscarriage thereof, and besides, if the ship be come to Leith, I know not whom to ask for, for the paper you sent mentions neither master's nor ship's name. Let my endeared respects be tendered to all with you. Since our Army's return from Glasgow we advanced again to Fawkirke near to Torwood. We have been here four nights. Upon Tuesday last, about sunset, after we had made a breach upon Kallender House,[1] even in the face of the Enemy, we stormed it and lost a captain of foot, our Mr Gunner, Robt Hargreave of your Troop, and 2 or 3 private soldiers more were slain in the storm. We slew of the enemy about 50 persons, and such as had quarter given them were most of them wounded. Little were taken in the house except horses and cattle of the country peoples. At our leaving of Glasgow we left a garrison in Newark House; which Massy with 2 regimts of horse and 1 regt of dragoons hath since (as we hear) stormed. Wednesday night last a considerable party of our horse and foot surprised a fort of the Enemy's in Fife, over against Queen's Ferry. It's much in manner of an island and 4 miles compass. Collo. Overton, Collo. Lytcott, Collo. Daniell, and some chief officers more are there, with about 2000 horse, foot, and dragoons, and I hope will maintain their ground though a sufficient force of the Enemy's are gone against them. We have there about

[1] Callendar House in the neighbourhood of Falkirk, the seat of the Earl of Callendar. This title, which was merged in the earldom of Linlithgow, has been dormant since the act of attainder in 1716, in the person of James, fifth Earl of Linlithgow and fourth Earl of Callendar.

20 piece of ordinance, most of them taken from the Enemy in their fort and in some ships that were taken since thereabouts. According to all relations the K.'s forces do lessen, many of them being almost ready to starve. Now that we have gotten footing in Fife, I hope we shall gain ground of them daily. In haste, I rest

Your lo. Cozen,

From the Camp near Kallendar House, Jo. BAYNES.
July 19th 1651.

The Ma. Gen. is since gone with some regim^ts^ and our men in Fife. Ma. Gen. Harrison is comed up. Both your brothers are very well.

## 63.—FROM THE SAME.

COZEN,

Though I am in great haste, yet I cannot but let you know the state of things here. In my last I notified to you that our forces (part of them) were gotten into Fife and that Major General Lambert was gone to them. Since which time it hath pleased God to bless him with a very considerable victory over S^r^ John Brown. Upon Sunday last S^r^ John Brown was commanded, with about 4000 men, to repulse our forces who had possessed themselves of a little Island in Fife. They came within a mile or less of our works, whereupon the Major General, though not fully provided for them, drew out and engaged them, and on a sudden put them to flight, slew about 2000 of them, took 1500 prisoners and about 50 colours. S^r^ John Brown is taken and divers other considerable persons not yet known. Collo. Scott slain, and its thought L^t^ Gen^l^ Holborne; the full of things we yet have not. We had the pursuit three miles. The rest of their army is much humbled with this business, so that they dare not be seen of us. Upon Sunday, as we drew from Fawkirk they drew out of Torwood to Sterling, and went in such haste, that they left divers sick men in their huts and some dead unburied. Yesterday we went to their ground, and some of our men went within a mile of Sterling, but none durst appear hostilely against us. This day we came back and are on our march to Queensferry. No more now but my respects to your dear wife.

Yo^r^ lo. Cozen,

From the Camp near Lithgow, Jo. BAYNES.
July 22nd 1651.

*For* Captain ADAM BAYNES, *at York House in the Strand, these, London. Franco.*

64.—MISTRESS LAMBERT TO THE SAME.

Good Captain,

I see you are better natered then my cosen Lilburn, for you will writ to mee when you have none for [from] mee, butt shee will not; therefore I will not be hir intelagence in relating to hir the seasonable victory the Lord hath given us over the enemy. We have taken 1500, kiled 2000. S^r^ John Brown is taken with many more ofesers. We have lost butt few, but many wounded, most of which was of my husbandes ridgement of hors. Your brother Pease was in the porsuit 8 miles, but hee is safe and well. Yesterday my deare sent him hether to the Governer for great gones. My husbandes hors was wounded and a brace of bulets found betwext his cot and armes, butt I bles the Lord hee is safe and well. I should have bene more exact, butt that I beleeve you will have better intelagence; I pray rem. my dear Love to your wife, and tele hir, I give hir thankes for hir kind leter by M^r^ Coockes. Desire hir to let me have the yard of French lawne and the scolop I writ for, butt I have more haste of the lawne, for I have nothing to were about my neck, and I dare not goe bare, for feare of giving offence to tender saintes. This is all at present but that I am

July the 22^nd^. Your reall frend and Cosen, F. L.

I pray rem. me to my cosen Lilburn; realy I have not time to writ to hir, butt tell hir I writ hir an answare of hirs the last post.

65.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours, and have not any thing of novelty now to notify to you, only that I believe to-morrow we shall advance further into the country; I suppose towards S^t^ Johnstons. Major Ponnall and Capt. Wisdome will send letters of attorney next post. Your brothers are well and salute you. I have not time to say more than that I am,

Yo^r^ very lo. Cozen,

From the Camp near Enderkeferne[1] in Fife, July 26. 1651. Jo. Baynes.

Inchgarvy[2] is delivered to us: near 20 pieces of ordnance in it.

[1] Inverkeithing, an ancient borough, upwards of two miles from North Queensferry, in Fife.

[2] Inch Garvie, a small rocky island in the middle of the Firth of Forth, is not far from South Queensferry. It was then fortified, but is now uninhabited.

66.—FROM THE SAME.

COZEN,

I have no more but to acquaint you that your brothers are well, and that this day Burnt Island is delivered into our hands with many guns and arms therein. The enemy therein (about 400 men) have terms to march away with every man his arms, drums beating, &c. The townspeople are to enjoy their liberties and goods without disturbance. Our shipps made some shot into the Town, but by land we made none, nor had we any man hurt against it. The soldiers are a little angry that they had not liberty to storm it. I hope this will encourage other places to surrender in time, and may be advantageous to us that way. The King's Army continues still, as we hear, about Sterling. Our army is to remove hence (excepting what remains for this garrison) into the Country. Three of the Enemy's Ministers are come under our protection: one of them saith, he is excommunicated for not answering whether Cromwell be Antichrist or not. . . . . .

Your very lo. Cozen,

Burnt Island, July 29th 1651. JO. BAYNES.

67.—FROM THE SAME.

COUZEN,

I have received yours, but hear nothing yet of the hampers. As for debentures, I shall observe your instructions if I buy any.

Our Army is before St. Johnstons:[1] yesterday we came hither, but before we came about 3 hours, 1000 of North country men, chosen out of their army, came by command to secure the town, else we should have had little opposition. Even now our house is granted to them and by them accepted to give answer whether they will treat or not. Its hoped they will surrender, else we are ready to starve. Its said their Army is on the way towards England. Collo. Foskur, who came to speak friends in the Army for Mr Love, but got none, in his return was taken prisoner by moss troopers. My respects to all with you. Your brothers are well.

I am, Yor lo. Couzen,

From the Camp near St. Johnstons, JO. BAYNES.
Aug. 2nd 1651.

[1] St. Johnstons, or St. John's Town, the old name of the city of Perth.

68.—FROM THE SAME.

COUZEN,

I have received yours, and have little to return. Leu$^{t}$ Gen$^{ll}$ Monck and the party with him are in Sterling town. He writes that he hopes shortly to give a good account of the Castle. The Scotch army is much divided, and it's said many considerable persons have forsaken the King, and are gone home. Divers of them, ere this event, moved for a cessation with us, but it being denied, they declined the service. Where the Army is we cannot hear, but supposing them to be on their journey for England, if not there already. We are intending after them as fast as may be. This night we shall be on the borders of England. More in my next. I am

Yo$^{r}$ much assured,

From the Camp, within 4 miles of Kelsey,[1] JO. BAYNES.

Aug. 9. 1651.

We hear not how near Maj$^{r}$ Gen. Lambert and Harrison are the Enemy, but hope not far.

69.—CAPT. ROBERT BAYNES TO THE SAME.

ENDEARED BROTHER,

. . . . . Lev$^{t}$ Gen$^{l}$ Moncke's and our regiment came to this place about 14 days since, and part of both our regiments is to go with Collo. Fitch's to Inverness, 70 miles north from this place. I left my wife at Dundee, but if it be my lot to stay here, I intend to send for her hither, but if to go further, I should be almost discouraged for continuing any longer here, considering how much we are slighted, having had but 14 days pay since the Army left us, and having little encouragement else, all things here being carried on with an arbitary and high hand; but in regard the Major Gen.[2] cometh downe, many of us will be content to suffer more, hoping in a little time things may be better ordered. I thank you for that you have minded the Major Gen. of me, but I fear I shall scarce have time to wait on him, in regard I shall be at a great distance from him, and upon hard duty. No more at present, but my most kind and loving respects to yourself and yours.

Yours in all brotherly affection,

Aberdeen, 9$^{ber}$ 20$^{th}$ 1651. ROB$^{T}$ BAYNES.

[1] Or Kelso.

[2] Major General Lambert.

This day we have been forth with Collo. Overton to meet with the Marquis of Huntley, who hath submitted himself, and hath promised to disband his forces upon promise from Collo. Overton that his houses shall not be garrissoned, and that Collo. Overton shall, to the utmost of his power, solicit the Commissioners in his behalf to free his land of taxations.

Robt. Baynes.

### 70.—MAJOR GENERAL LAMBERT TO THE SAME.

Sir,

I received yours wherein you gave me accompt of your waiting upon the Committee for my Arrears, and indeed I think I am not fairly dealt with therein. I have writ the enclosed to Sir H. Vane, and desire you to deliver it and receive his answer, and if no better expedient will be found, then to receive it as is mentioned upon accompt. I desire you will be assisting to my wife in procuring 250li, and paying it back into the Treasury for the 250li I have received, and take out my receipt for it; for I am noways willing to be liable to the Treasurer's charge, but had rather make hard shift, though I pay a . . . for so much. I hope Mr Claxton in a short time will make shift to return to my wife 300li upon Mr Ratcliff's accompt, so that if she can shift till that come it will be best. Pray remember my kind respects to your wife, and accept it to yourself from

Your very affectionate friend,

Edenburgh, 29. Nov. 1651. J. Lambert.

### 71.—CAPT. R. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Brother,

I had writt this enclosed in answer to yours to me, but had not an opportunity to send it before now. I am comed here with my Major about some business for our regiment. I shall take an occasion to wait upon the Major General before I go away. Our regiment is marched into Murrayland,[1] which is 130 miles from hence, so that when I go back, I must either take my wife with me (which will be a tedious journey for her), or live without her this winter; but I think to take her to Aberdeen, and then I shall be something

[1] Morayshire.

nearer her. She desires to be remembered to you and my sister. My bro. Joseph is here, but Cornet Baynes is not comed. I desire to be excused if it be long ere I write to you, for we shall have few opportunities of sending from our quarters. If you write to me, direct your letter to me in Collo. Ashfield's regiment at Aberdeen, or Elgin in Murray. No more at present, but my kind respects to yourself and my sister, but that I am

Your affectionate Brother,

Edenburgh, X^ber^ 2^nd^ 1651. ROB^T^ BAYNES.

72.—CORNET JOSEPH PEASE TO THE SAME.

DEARE BROTHER,

In my last that I received from you when I was in Yorkshire, you did intimate something concerning the continuing of my man in the Major Gen^ll's^ troope, or in some other troope of his reg^t^, which att that time I could not doe in the Major Gen^ll^ troope, nor yet cannot in any other troope, unless you please to doe it in your own. I have informed the Major Gen^ll^ of my condition as far as opportunity gave me leave, and he told me, that at present my subsistence was 5^s^ p. day as one of the lifegard; soe that I conceive that the mustering of my man elsewhere will be noe way exceptable by any, because that he hath noe relation to the lifegard farther than his relation to me, which favour I should desire if you could doe it with conveniensy. My brother Rob^t^ bid me call att Do^r^ Duvevier's quarters for a buff coat of yours, which I shall keep at my quarters till I heare from you; we shall goe about 10 dayes hence for Sterling, St. Johnstons, Dundee, and Aberdeen. I pray remember me to my deare sister and M^rs^ Mary, and my sister Sarah, and all friends else with you, and I shall rest

Your obliged Brother,

Edenburg, 6^th^ 10^ber^ 1651. J. PEASE.

73.—CAPT. ROBERT BAYNES TO THE SAME.

BROTHER,

I writ to you from Edenburgh about 20 days ago, I hope you have received it. I have received yours of the 6^th^ instant. At present I am at this place waiting some business for the regiment, but expect every day to be sent away to the regiment, which is 120 miles from hence, at Elgin in Murray. Here

are, I believe, many civil employments of advantage here to be disposed of, which, if our regiment had stayed in these parts I believe I should have found out and procured; but since our quarters is so far off, I shall be prevented both of inquiring into and procuring of such a place as might better that which I have already; though indeed, as all things are here (though they give us constant pay), they must be good husbands that can live out of it with credit. I should be glad to see you in these parts, and I hope you might do me much good and yourself no prejudice. I cannot buy any debentures here, especially such as are in your hands, for here is not any one that I know near us that hath any debenters with them, therefore it will be best for you to write to Cornet Baynes who is still at York and amongst them. I thought to have taken my wife with me into the North, but the season is so cold, and the way so bad, and besides, she is not very well, which I think will tend to a multiplication, so as I purpose to leave her here this winter: which is all but to present you and my sister with the kind respects of my wife, and also of him who is

Your very affectionate Brother,

Dundee, X^ber^ 18^th^ 1651. ROB^T^ BAYNES.

I shall be glad to hear once more from you.

### 74.—CORNET JOSEPH PEASE TO THE SAME.

DEAR BROTHER,

By reason of our journey westward I could not return you an answer before now . . . . . I have not met with any soldiers that will sell their arrears; but if I do meet with any such, I shall send to you their names and to whom they belong, before any further proceeding.

Major Ponnall is made Governor of Burntisland. I have sent your first enclosed to my brother Rob^t^. The other I have got, but hope to see my sister about Wednesday at night, for on Monday morning next we go to Burntisland, where our horses are already to be in readiness for our northern journey. This is all but to be kindly remembered to my dear sister, and M^rs^ Lilburne, and all the rest of our friends, and so rest

Your affectionate Brother,

Edenburg, 27. December 1651. J. PEASE.

### 75.—WILLIAM BLAKEY TO THE SAME.

. . . . . Yesterday we came to Edenburgh from the west, where free quarter is taken of the country; and upon Monday next we set for St. Tandreys,[1] and so towards Aberdeen, which will be three weeks or a month's journey. I have nothing more, only my humble service to my honoured Mistress and little ones. My service to Mistress Baynes. Here is a barrel of pippins come with 2 baskets from my Lord General. We cannot know from whence they come from, but as I imagine the're from my Mistress, by the direction being Rowlane's hand. I writ for some sugar and candles to my Mistress, but could not hear whether it came to her honoured hands. My Master is in very good health. I bless God for it, and is very hearty in this cold climate, and so are all our family saving myself, being so tender a body that the sharp air runs through me. I pray be pleased to remember my love to all our family, having nothing more but remember him who is bound in affection to remain

Yours to command,

Edenburgh, December the 27th 1651. WILL. BLAKEY.

### 76.—CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

. . . . . The Maj. General was gone northwards ere I got hither. I am minded this day to go towards him, for I hear it will be 20 days before he return. I have not at present any news to impart to you: you have heard ere this that Dumbarton Castle is surrendered to us.[2]

Edenb. Janr 3. 1651[-2.]

### 77.—FROM THE SAME TO THE SAME.

COZEN,

I have not received any from you since my coming hither. I hope my last to you is comed to your hands. I had thought to [have] found

[1] St. Andrews.

[2] "Upon the fyft day of Januar, being Handsell Monday, 1652, the Castell of Dumbartane was cowartlie renderit; sa that now the Englisches has all the thrie castellis and strenthis of this nation in thair power that ar most considerable."—*Nicoll's Diary*, p. 79.

Capt. Robert at Dundee, but did not. His wife is there in good health. Till I see him I cannot rectify your mistake in . . of our accounts to you. As for your account with Collo. Maulyverer's regiment, I must refer you to my former letters sent you in March last, wherein I know I have acknowledged to received of Majr Mitchell 300 or 350li more than is apparent by my account. I am apt to believe that my letter acknowledgeth to 350li.

The Majr Genll[1] returned hither this day. He told me, at Dundee, that when the Comrs came he would let me know his mind further as to a settlement. About Tuesday or Wednesday next, he is purposed to go towards Dumbar to give the Comrs a meeting. Here is no news worth imparting to you; all business of concernment being deferred to the coming of the Comrs. I pray you present my choice respects to all with you. I am,

Yor very lo. Cozen,

Edenb. January 10. 1651[-2]. J. Baynes.

## 78. — FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have not heard of you since I came hither, though I have written to you 2 or 3 times. I have nothing at present to impart to you as news from hence. The Commissioners[2] came to Dalkeith Thursday last: they have done no business since their coming of any importance. The Scotch people know not what to say to them now that they are comed: some are glad and some are mad, now that they see we are in earnest, and that their power is like to change. The Kirk and Cavalier cannot endure one another: each of them endeavours to ingratiate, but the latter is more rationally convinced; the other are yet much unsatisfied. I fear those that seem to have most religion will be most at a loss if they timely prevent it not by a free condescension. I think power will not early

[1] Major General Lambert.

[2] The Commissioners of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of England, arrived on the 15th, and took up their residence in the House and Castle of Dalkeith. In a Proclamation, "for Ordering and Managing of the Affairs in Scotland," dated 31st of January 1651, *stilo Anglicano*, their names are signed Ol. St. John, H. Vane, F. Lambert, R. Deane, Richard Salloway, George Fenwick, Robert Titchburne, George Monck. — (*Nicoll's Diary*, p. 80.)

and hastily be given to either of them. I pray do let me hear from you. I am in haste, resting

Yr lo. Cozen,

Edenb. Janu$^{ry}$ 17. 1651[–2]. J. Baynes.

Remember me kindly to all with you.

79.—FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours of the 13th and 17th instant. I am glad you and all with you are well. I am sorry that there is any motion of the Major General's transportation to Ireland; I confess there is much dissenting in me to such a voyage, yet, if I shall find a clear and sufficient call thither I will not dispute it. I shall be the more free to it if you go. I shall acquaint both your brothers with it. I have not yet heard from Capt. Robert since I came hither; I shall, as soon as I can, give you an account from him, both of the assignments left in my hand, and also of the discord in our accounts to you. I know not whether I gave you notice formerly of a Debenture which I bought for you of 91li 1s 5d (however take notice of it now): I bought it of Sam. Ellis; it was his brother Joseph Ellis's of Major Smithson's troop in Collo. Lilburne's regiment, and was in Major Sanderson's hands, and now in his brother's Lieut Sanderson's; call of him for it. Joseph Ellis died, and Sam. took . . . . and upon that I bought it of him. I pray you let me know in what manner I must draw the assignment, for I have his hand and seal to a blank. I think to buy some more here. Yours to Cornet Denham I shall deliver. I wish before we go into any more lands, we may know which is our lands; if I go I would leave my daughter something to live on.

The 12th February next, 2 for every county, and 1 for every borough in Scotland, are ordered to attend our Comr, in order to a settlement of this Nation, till then here will be little news. I wish Mrs Dawson had her own of Mr Beale; I hear foul matters of him. My dear respects to all with you. I am,

Yor lo. Cozen,

Edenburgh, Jan$^{ry}$ 24th 1651[–2]. J. Baynes.

I thank my Cousin for her gloves; I had forgot them till now.

80.—FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have received yours (you forgot to seal it) and indeed am very sorry that the Major General is voted for Ireland; but all must submit to the divine purpose . . . . . The Commissioners are very secret in their councils: nothing will be known of any great concernment till mid February. Argyle comes not in yet. I pray present my choice respects to all with you. I rest,

Yo$^{r}$ very lo. Cozen,

Edenb. Janu$^{ry}$ 31. 1651[-2]. J. Baynes.

81.—CAPT. ROBERT BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Deare Brother,

I have rec$^{d}$ yo$^{rs}$ of the 6$^{th}$ and 26$^{th}$ of X$^{br}$, but have not had time or opportunity to write back unto you until now, for we have been continually marching up and down in . . . and other parts of the North, where I could have no opportunity of writing unto you; but the country being so poor as not able to receive us for our winter quarters, we was compelled to march back with our regiment to Aberdeene, where for the present our regiment is, but whether to continue there we know not, for we was ordered to go for the Islands of Orkeney, and had gone without any dispute, but that we being so far dispersed amongst the Hills and waste country, that we could not be suddenly got together, so as Collo. Cowper's regiment was sent thither. But I am confident, as soon as the season germes, if there be any place worse then other where any foot is to go, we shall be sure to be put upon it; for our Collo. being at London, and we so far from the head quarters, there is none either to take care for us, or speak for us, as other regiments have; upon which account we have already suffered much, and are like to suffer more, which makes we weary of the regiment, but if we could have any assurance of a settlement place (for almost all regiments besides us have), I should be well satisfied, and which might be procured to us if we had a Collo. as active for the good of his regiment as others are, or soe much respected with those in command as such a one ought to be. Cornet Baynes hinted something to me concerning an Irish voyage. I do not know what I shall do at present in that case, but I shall be very well satisfied to go with you to any place or in any condition; but if that should be sudden, I would willingly see my friends in England, and also

contract what I have into some way that might be usefull to me or mine (hereafter) before I go there; but however, whether it be there, or here, or in England, I should think it a happiness, and much rejoice to be with you, or nearer you then I am at present. I shall go back the next week to Aberdeene, and if there be any possibility of our stay there, I shall take my wife with me. If you should come from London before summer, or so suddenly as I shall not know of it, I shall desire you to let my cousen Eliz. Baynes, or sister Sarah, buy my wife a suit of child linen (not too costly) and holland to make 3 or 4 shirts more, and bring with you, or send to Leeds; for, considering her condition, I think I must be necessited to carry her, or send her into England in summer. My wife presents her kind respects to you, my Sister, and sister Sarah, couzen Eliz., and all other friends, and so doth

Your most affectionate Brother,

Dundee, Feb$^{r}$ 4$^{th}$ 1651[-2]. Rob$^{t}$ Baynes.

82.—CORNET JO. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cosin,

I have received yours, and entreat you to search out Rich. Saltonstall's debent$^{r}$, which I formerly writ to you of, and the rest I mentioned in my last, and let me know how the case stands with them. I shall write to Cap$^{t}$ Rob$^{t}$ about w$^{t}$ you mention of debenters. I know not yet what will become of me, as to my stay here or removal, for I have not spoken to the Maj. General since he was voted for Ireland. I hope to know this week. I pray you call on M$^{r}$ Gerrard in the Poultry for what moneys of mine he hath in his hands—it's about 28$^{li}$. I have desired him to pay it to you. I shall not add more now then my respects to all with you, resting

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Cosin,

Edenburgh, Feb. 10$^{th}$ 1651[-2]. J. Baynes.

83.—FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

. . . . Yesterday the Lord Deputy set forwards towards you. If Major General Deane stay me not here, I purpose to be in England ere long, for I may as well officiate the peace I have in England as here. I give many thanks to the Lord Deputy: he told me if I minded to go for Ireland he

would provide a subsistence for me. If you go, I shall be more desirous of going than at present I am, for though I may have some reason to seek after a more beneficial employment to redeem my losses, yet I can be well content with what I have in England. If you can be an instrument to help me to some civil place of livelyhood in England, I shall gladly accept it, for where I was born I desire to die, if God please so to dispose of me; yet, upon good encouragement, I will not slight the Lord Deputy's respects and offers in Ireland.

I pray you speak to D^r^ Slane that he will hasten to discharge me from attendance here, that if I determine for Ireland I may have some respite in England ere I go. I confess I do not see how the musters will here be justly and duly taken when I am gone; and here I cannot stay without better encouragement. . . . . My due respects to all with you. I am,

Your endeared Cozen,

Feb. 17^th^ 1651[-2]. J. BAYNES.

84.—FROM THE SAME.

COZEN,

I pray let me know what Ralph Ennigson's debentures come to of Maj^r^ Carter's company. . . . . .

Argyle is willing to come in: he promiseth to bring in the Kirk party, which none besides himself can do. My due respects to all with you. I am in haste,

Your lo. Cozen,

Feb. 21. 1651[-2]. J. BAYNES.

85.—FROM THE SAME.

COZEN,

I fear no way can be projected for any satisfaction towards my losses, and therefore shall not expect any thing, but endeavour to live besides it. The Lord Deputy, as I told you in my last, was pleased to grant me 50^li^, which will be some recrute to me, if I were once determined to rest and settle any where. I hope a little time would make me a man again—but God's will be done: I shall never be rich, nor never want. The Doctor tells me, that if I can get a Register's place in England, that his advice is, to accept it rather than go for Ireland. I much incline to his motion if it were feasible.

The messenger is returned from Argyle, who seems willing to pacification, promising to give any of our Commissioners a meeting at Dumbarton upon four days notice. My due respects to all with you. I rest

Yo$^{r}$ lo. Cozen,

Feb. 28$^{th}$ 1651[–2.] J. BAYNES.

86.—FROM THE SAME.

COUSIN,

I have yours of the 28$^{th}$ Feb$^{ry}$. I wish I were relieved hence, that I might officiate in my old circuit. I am not ambitious of high places or employment. I can be as well content with the salary I have, provided I have my abode in Yorkshire, as some that have much greater, and shall rest satisfied with it, until God please to dispose otherways of me. I confess I am now weary of this place, I mean of the country, and have great desires homeward, and therefore remind the D$^{r}$ of sending one hither to succeed me in due time, for I purpose to set forwards for England about the latter end of the month. I will see some progress in the ensuing muster ere I come. I do not desire you too much to solicit the Maj$^{r}$ Gen. for my encouragement for Ireland, for I cannot freely accept of any employment but what comes of a willing mind, without much seeking on my part. I desire you to inquire out what W. Newton's deb$^{re}$ comes to. He was of Collo. Lilburne's troop, and John Nayler's, who was of Maj$^{r}$ Sanderson's troop, and advise me whether or no to buy them. I have attended the Maj$^{r}$ Gen. from Edenburgh to Dundee this afternoon. We came to St. Johnston's on Wednesday. I think he purposes to return towards Edinburgh. I cannot hint any thing of news from hence. My endeared respects to my coz. and the rest with you, I remain

Your affectionate Cousin,

St. Johnston's, Mar. 8. 1651[–2]. J. BAYNES.

I hope your Brother has cleared the difference in the account between us. I remember a bag of clipt money which he left with me long since, which he chargeth me withall. Now I never placed it to my account, but as I received it, so you had it again from me. I am glad the difference is found out, he ought not to charged it upon me, for I had it but . . . and never gave receipt for it.

87.—FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

I have none from you this post. I think I shall stay yet 14 days here, that I may see most of the Army musters here ere I leave them. Yesterday the Major General returned hither: next week he goes westward—I think to meet Argyle, who seems now willing to comply. A new Lord Provost and some other Magistrates are chosen for Edinburgh, and have sworn to the Commonwealth of England.[1] It will be a leading card to the rest of the Burghs in Scotland. My dear respects to all with you. I remain,

Yo$^{r}$ affectionate Cozen,

Edenburgh, March 13$^{th}$ 165$\frac{1}{2}$. J. Baynes.

88.—FROM THE SAME.

Cozen,

Yours of the 2$^{nd}$ instant I received last night. D$^{r}$ Slane is very civil to me: he seems to be unwilling to have me go into Ireland, yet leaves me to my choice. I expect now daily M$^{r}$ Vause, who is to relieve me. I would willingly stay till he come, that I might deliver all the rolls and papers to him. I cannot find in my heart to leave the business here at random; though I stay 10 or 14 days beyond my expectations, I would gladly limit my stay here to this month only. . . . . .

Major General Deane and Maj. Salloway went yesterday towards Glasgow in order to meet with Argyle at Dumbarton. My choice respects to your wife. I rest

Yo$^{r}$ very lo. Cozen,

Edenburgh, March 16$^{th}$ 1651[-2]. J. Baynes.

89.—MAJOR GENERAL LAMBERT TO CAPT. ADAM BAYNES.

Sir,

I think there will be no need of using M$^{r}$ Cox for bringing recruits for my regiment, we being in a good condition already, but if that gentleman please to come up to us, and bring with him any number of recruits, he shall receive a month's pay for them here, and as good satisfaction as you did

[1] Respecting this election of the Magistrates of Edinburgh, which "past with great debait and contention," and their giving their oaths of obedience to the Commonwealth of England, see *Nicoll's Diary*, p. 88.

promise him. For the monies, I desire you to pay 150li of it to Lt General Fleetwood, for so much received of him here, and if conveniently you can return the rest hither, I desire you to do it; if you cannot, I shall, by the next, give you further directions concerning it. Sir, I am glad to hear your wife is safely delivered. I desire you to present my kind respects to her and the like to Mrs Lilburne and your mother. Sir, I am,

Your affectionate friend to serve you,

27° May 1652. J. Lambert.

90.—CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cosen,

I have received yours of 19th July, but none by this post. I wish some letters miscarry not. Dr Slane hath written again about some bills. I would I knew well how to get him 100li, or some more, which is all he desires. I have not since heard from Maj. Fenwick. Lieut Leavens will not be brought to any thing, he intends to wait the utmost. I cannot get any unto the musters yet. I have only gained a grant for Coz. Pease, but I shall endeavour more. You may forbear to answer this post, for I shall be out of town. I pray you call of Mr Gerrard, I know he hath now 4 months pay of mine in his hands, only deduct 3. 10. 0. which I owe him. I pray you deliver this to Capt Stoddart. It's about his Lieut who was yesterday arrested here. Let me entreat you to know of the Maj. General whether any authority will bear out the party that arrested him. Methinks it's a great dishonour to our Army and entrenchment upon our Court Martial. I have desired Mr Margetts to give us his judgement in it. I writ formerly to you, but had no answer, to know what Edwd Grome's debenture comes to, and in what condition it is. He was of Major Rokeby's troop. Also I pray you let me know what Sergt Wm Jessup's debenture comes to. He was of Lieut Collo. Goodrick's Comp.; and also John Cooper's: he was of Capt. Lister's troop. They have a mind to sell; forget it not. I cannot get any thing but fair words from Mr Creyke and Brown. I cannot meet with Mr C. of late, he is oft out of town, and Ph. Brown cannot do any thing these 14 days. My respects to Mrs Dawson. Her cloth is not yet finished. Forget me not to all with with you. I should rejoice to hear of my Cosen's safe delivery. I wish her well over it, that you may see us here before your brother go. No more now. I rest

Your very lo. Cosen,

July 27th 1652. J. Baynes.

### 91.—CAPT. ROBERT BAYNES TO THE SAME.

DEAR BROTHER,

I have received yours, and do rejoice to hear of the welfare of you and yours. The chief cause of my writing unto you at this time, is to give an opportunity unto this bearer (Lieu^t^ Collo. Symons) to be acquainted with you. He is my Lieu^t^ Collo. and my extraordinary kind friend, to whom I am exceedingly obliged for his many courtesies. Pray show him respect for my cause; and if you can any way befriend him, I shall account it as done to myself. He hath an interest in some debentures, whereof part is paid in upon purchase, and part not. He hath been long out of England and doth not well understand in what condition they are, and is but badly dealt withall by those he intrusted. If you can be any way serviceable to him therein, either by your advice or otherways by your assistance, pray let me engage you to it. He is so honest, and to me hath been so good a friend, as I cannot but engage both myself and friends in any thing wherein I may serve him. Nothing more but that I am in health, and shall be glad to hear the like from you and yours and all friends with you, to whom I desire to be remembered as I am severally bound. I am,

Your affectionate Brother,

Frazerbrough, November 5^th^ 1652. ROB^T^ BAYNES.

### 92.—FROM THE SAME.

DEAR BROTHER,

I received yours of the last X^ber^ and writ to you of the 23 January, which I hope you have received. I was glad to hear of your welfare. I hope ere long I shall hear the like again of you. I have not yet heard whether Commissary Baynes be come into Scotland. I should be glad if you would continue at Knowstropp: however, I desire you will (at your leisure) let me hear from you wherever you are. We have no news here, only a jealousy of some secret bloody designs working, but not yet ripe for report. No more but my choice respects to yourself, my Sister, and all friends with you. I am,

Yo^r^ affectionate Brother,

Bamffe, February 7^th^ 1652[-3]. ROB^T^ BAYNES.

### 93.—CORNET J. BAYNES TO THE SAME.

Cosen,

I thought long till I heard from you; yours I have now. I am very glad you are well returned to Wimbleton. It will be much rejoycing to very many if my Lord resolve for Scotland; there will be nothing but emulations and divisions if he come not; his presence here will quell all, and indeed in my judgement, it will be his advantage in any ways, and out of respect to himself I wish him here. Mr Blakey went hence to York on purpose to speak with my Lord, but it seems he came short. I shall with all my heart serve my Lord in what I can, when I know but how or wherein I may be useful to him. I desire you before he come hither give me friendly notice. I would willingly meet him at York and accompany him hither from thence, if I can despatch the Scotch account before that time. I am now about Collo. Ashfield's regiment. Your brother attends here for their despatch, and thinks of going to England for his wife when he hath done. I have enclosed a bill of 30li upon Mr Gerard; at your leisure receive the money. Advise with Dr Slane I pray you, what to do in my petition business. Some money would do well if it could be gained, but it seems it hath received some rub lately. I know the Dr will promote it what he can. If my Lord General hath no mind to part with money, I wish he would let me have his help to a Register's place in Yorkshire that I might make some money of that. Here is a debenture of 45. I pray you let me know what you can do in it, and what I may give for it. No more now, having no news to impart. The seas now being open, ships begin to ply hither. I hope we shall want nothing that England yields. My hearty respects to all with you. I remain,

Your very lo. Cosen,

Edenburgh, March 12th 1652[–3]. J. Baynes.

I thank you and my she Cosen for your respects to my daughters.

### 94.—FROM THE SAME.

Cosen,

Yours I have received. I am sorry my Lord comes not hither. What my Lord or Mr Blakey, from him, desires my endeavours in here, I shall contribute what I can. Your brother is this day gone towards England. He will