

Chatsworth Papers (T3158)

Summary

The Chatsworth Papers in PRONI consist of photocopies of c.1,925 documents and volumes, constituting four main blocks of correspondence relating to Ireland during the period 1693-1812: 11 letter-books relating to the Irish estates of the earls of Burlington, 1693-1758 (which passed into the possession of the future 5th Duke of Devonshire in the latter year); correspondence, on all subjects, of the 3rd Duke of Devonshire while Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, 1737-1745; correspondence of the 4th Duke while Lord Lieutenant, 1755-1757; and selected Irish estate and other Irish correspondence of the 3rd Earl of Burlington and his wife/widow, 1729-1758, of the 4th Duke of Devonshire, 1757-1763, and of the agents of the 5th and 6th Dukes, 1766-1812. Some other, scrappier Irish material of the period 1794-1727 has also been photocopied and calendared; and all the non-Irish and non-Viceregal correspondence of the period 1729-1756 has been photocopied. But with these two exceptions, the Chatsworth Papers in PRONI fall into the four broad categories outlined above. The actual arrangement of the photocopies is slightly different.

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