

Chief Secretary's Office Registered Papers - Outrage Reports, Co. Clare for the years 1826 and 1829-1831.

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CSO= Chief Secretary's Office; RP= Registered papers; OR= Outrage Reports.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/16. Letter from Rev Frederick Blood, Roxton, Corofin, [County Clare], [possibly to Henry Goulburn, Chief Secretary], suggesting that government offer a reward for information on the recent burning of Mr Synge's school house which operates under the inspection of the Kildare [Place Society]. Refuting the claim that Synge forced parents to send their children to the school. Claiming that if parents were left to themselves they would support the schools. Also draft reply [probably from Goulburn], suggesting that a reward is not necessary in this case. 2 items; 6pp. 28 Aug 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/113. Letter from D Hunt, Kilrush, [County Clare], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, forwarding information sworn by James Murphy, pensions of the 57th Regiment of Foot, against Michael Kelleher, a vagrant, concerning the alleged retaking of a still from the excise by Patrick Cox and Patrick Regan near Carrick on Shannon. Requesting further information on the alleged crime. Also statements sworn by Kelleher, formerly of [?], County Roscommon and Murphy of [?Carriacally], County Clare. Includes annotation from Henry Joy, Solicitor General, stating that the men must be released. 3 items; 8pp. 29 Jul 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/159. Letter from Michael Martin, magistrate of County Clare, Killaloe, [County Clare], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, reporting on the discovery of a gang of coiners and requesting that William Wright who provided information be compensated. Noting that Henry Townsend, Chief Constable arrested the coiners, namely James Hickey, Denis Burns, Michael Fogarty, at the house of Denis Dynan of Tomgrany [Tuamgraney, County Clare]. 1 item; 3pp. 1 Dec 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/215. Copy of letter from Edward Synge, Dysart, Carrofin [Corofin, County Clare], to Robert Peel, Home Secretary, reporting on his confrontation with Rev John Murphy, catholic priest of Corofin, mainly concerning control of a school in the area which was later burnt down. Claiming that Murphy warned him that only the priests could control the barbarous 'common Fellows' who 'hated a Sassenagh' and later abused Synge from the altar for a number of weeks when he refused to give up the school. Adding that Murphy has excommunicated and encouraged boycotts against those whose children attend the school. Requesting that bail be denied to prisoners accused of the arson attack and observing that those involved are not from the poorest class of catholic and that they have been supported by Mr O'Gorman, catholic magistrate. 1 item; 6pp. 25 Jul 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/264. Letter from William Coffey, Acting Chief Constable, Tomgraney, [County Clare], to George Warburton, reporting that a gang of individuals 'calling themselves Mayboys' have severely beaten a father and son named Hayes, possibly because one of the gang had been accused of involvement in a robbery of Hayes' house and reporting his attempts to capture a man named Maher. Also letter from John R Bindon, Chief Constable, Clonlara, [County Clare], reporting on outrages in his area

especially around the village of Ardnacrusha following market days in Limerick. Both police officers note the absence of military aid. Also covering letter from Warburton, Oatfield House, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, observing that when the 'ribbon system' first appeared in Clare 'they always paraded in the Character of May Boys'. 3 items; 8pp. 30 Apr 1826-11 May 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/267. Letter from Major Charles Creagh, Clare Militia, New Market on Fergus, [County Clare], to Henry Goulburn, Chief Secretary, requesting that four men, who formerly served in the Clare Militia and under the Constabulary Act, be placed among the police enrolled under the Peace Preservation Act. Naming the men as George Kenny of Ennis, John Cullen of Limerick and George Rice and John Leahy of Kanturk. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Oatfield House, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, claiming that Creagh is mistaken in his acts and that these men could have been selected by the magistrates for the constabulary at the time of the reduction. 2 items; 5pp. 16 May 1826-23 May 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/275. File of letters concerning outrages near Woodford, County Galway and Tuamgraney, County Clare as reported to Maj George Warburton. Includes letter from John Read Bindon, Chief Constable of Police, Police Office, Clonlara, [County Clare] to the magistrates assembled at Tungraney [Tuamgraney], forwarding the names of 12 men who are part of a sworn [secret society] as given to him by a paid informant and requesting that the matter be investigated. Also covering letter from the magistrates, to William Gregory, Under Secretary, recommending that Bindon's claim be investigated. Also copy of letter from JR Bindon, Springfield, [County Clare], to Warburton, reporting how he dispersed a gathering of men near Ballicooney who 'were under the appellation of 'May boys' and suspecting them of being involved in secret society activities. Also reporting that Rev Crotty, catholic priest instructed his flock from the altar to 'scald with boiling water' a 'reformed Roman Catholic' who has been employed by the London Society to read scriptures to the population in the Irish tongue. Also letter from Thomas Williams, Chief Constable of the barony of Leitrim, Woodford, County Galway, to Warburton, reporting on three Rockite outrages at Reagh, involving an attack on the houses and crops of James Fahy, Patrick Gallagher and Malachy Rourke by a crowd armed with farming implements. Also covering letter from Warburton, Oatfield House, [County Galway], to Gregory, commenting on the outrages and regretting the absence of a resident magistrate. 5 items; 16pp. 29 May 1826-10 Jun 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/286. Letter from Tomkins Brent, Chief Constable, Oranmore, [County Galway], to Major Warburton, Inspector General of Police, reporting an attack on the house of [Edward] Synge, near Corofin, County Clare and the pulling down of Synge's school house. Noting that a man from Ennis was caught in the act and that he has received information that an association in Ennis called 'Friendly Societies' plotted the attack. Noting that Rev Murphy, catholic priest of Corofin has regularly preached against Synge's school and warning that the arrested man should not be visited by him in prison. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Castlebar, [County Mayo], to Henry Goulburn, Chief Secretary, noting that he is to send Brent to Clare for a number of days as 'things are not as I should wish in that county'. 2 items; 6pp. 20 Jul 1826-23 Jul 1826.

CSO/RP/OR/1826/305. Letter from W Coffey, Tomgraney, [County Clare], to Maj George Warburton, Inspector General of Police, Ahascragh, [County Galway], reporting how he has apprehended those involved in the attack on Mr Read's house, called

Woodpark Lodge near Tomgraney, including Anthony Boland and Patrick Touhey; adding that a man named O'Dea provided information which led to the arrests; noting that they had to act quickly and plan the arrests carefully as the people of Scariff raised the alarm when they saw the police. Also covering letter from Warburton, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Henry Goulburn, Chief Secretary. 2 items; 7pp. 30 Sep 1826-2 Oct 1826.

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CSO/RP/OR/1829/1. Letter from magistrate [Stephen] H Atkins, Fort Henry, Killaloe, County Clare, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, relating to the conviction of Daniel Dea, William Minogue, John Curley and [] Ryan for an attack on Ballina Barracks. Annotation on reverse giving legal opinion of Henry Joy, Attorney General. 1 item; 4pp. 16 Jul 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/5. Letter from magistrate [Stephen] H Atkins, Fort Henry, Killaloe, County Clare, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, requesting permission to redact the licences of 2 publicans, namely: John Edwards, Killaloe, for his association with a gang of men recently convicted of robbery in Ennis and keeping late hours for them; and Philip Ryan, Ballina, for finding and keeping himself a blunderbuss, gun and ammunition belonging to same. Additional copy of reply from the Chief Secretary's Office to Atkins. 2 items; 6pp. [c15] Sep 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/43. File of papers relating to attack on Roman Catholic magistrate Dennis Canny of Clonmoney, Bunratty, County Clare. Includes several letters from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, and William Gregory, Under Secretary, forwarding: letters he received from chief constable Edward Mahon, Newmarket on Fergus; copies of letter he received from John Tabuteau, Subinspector for County Clare; copies of affidavits, deposition and information gathered during an investigation held at Newmarket on Fergus in January 1829, as well as physician description of suspect John Weston. Also includes letter from Sir Edward O'Brien [4th Baronet], Dromoland [Castle], [?to Leveson Gower], forwarding Canny's affidavit and copy of resolutions passed at a meeting of magistrates in Newmarket on 8 January 1829. 17 items; 49pp. 2 Jan 1829-12 Feb 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/62. File of papers relating to the election of Daniel O'Connell as MP for Clare in Ennis, between May and July 1829. Includes original, copies and extracts of letters, as well as extracts of reports and affidavits, relating to the movements of O'Connell and his supporters, and the perceived threat of disturbance in the county in the run up to the elections, forwarded to the Chief Secretary's Office from a variety of sources, such as: Maj George Warburton, Inspector General of Police in Connaught; Roman Catholic magistrate Dennis Canny, Bunratty; John Tabuteau, Subinspector for County Clare, Ennis; magistrate Thomas Mahon, Greenlawn [House], Ennis; chief constable John Wright, Miltown Malbay; Maj Gen Sir Edward Blakeney, Ennis; Simon George Purdon, High Sheriff of County Clare, Tinerana, Killaloe; and magistrate Maj Daniel O'Donoghue, Ennis, with annotations throughout giving legal opinion of Henry Joy, Attorney General. An extract of one such letter dated 13 June 1829 reports that 'the County of Clare is now in a queer state; what we saw at the Election was nothing to the degree of excitement the people are now in... I am of [the] opinion, there should be more army, or more Police sent into the County until after the Election, and especially to Ennis, as the mob there is most violent', describing how one man who was not

carrying a flag in support of O'Connell 'was most violently beaten and assaulted'. The signature of the sender [and sometimes also his address] has been deliberately removed from 3 letters addressed to Warburton in relation to the state of the county, though 2 of these were posted from Corofin and Tomgraney. Also includes: supporting poster for O'Connell addressing the electors of Clare, 'Clare is determined that every Man will do his duty!!!', printed at the office of the 'Clare Sentinel'; as well as 3 notes with annotations by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant], the most recent of which states 'His Excellency could wish that the quiet displayed in the Clare Election had been the result of habitual obedience to the Law, rather than a subjection to the caprices of the Agitators'. 47 items; 149pp. [c9 Jan] 1829-[c28 Jul] 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/115. Letter from magistrate Thomas Mahon, Greenlawn [House], Ennis, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, relating to the offer of a reward for those responsible for an attack on the home of Mr Crowe. 1 item; 4pp. 17 Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/116. Letter from magistrate Burton Bindon, Currenroe, Burrin [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, forwarding letter he received from Peter Comyn, Penelope Lodge, who stands accused of burning Scotland Lodge, owed by Bindon Scott of Cahiracon. Annotation on reverse giving legal opinion of Henry Joy, Attorney General. Additional letter from Scott, Shelbourne House, to Leveson Gower, enquiring as to the progress of his case. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1829/619 and CSO/RP/OR/1829/710]. 3 items; 10pp. 12 Dec 1829-4 Jan 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/121. Letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, outlining his observations in relation to enclosed letter from JS Cahill, Ennis, to Leveson Gower, relating to recent disturbances in Corofin. 2 items; 6pp. 18 Dec 1829-31 Dec 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/141. Letter from Capt George Mears John Drought, [chief magistrate of police], Limerick, to William Gregory, Under Secretary, forwarding information relating to an alleged attack on Mr Vise of County Clare, during which his gun was stolen [not present]. 1 item; 2pp. 19 Feb 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/222. File of papers relating to compensation offered to Rev William Davoren, Kiltoraght Glebe, Corofin, [County Clare], for an outrage committed on him, during which his clerk, M Pilkington, was murdered. Includes: letters from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary; letters from Davoren to Leveson Gower, outlining how he has been persecuted in the area for helping the authorities in their enquiries into Pilkington's murder and seeking relief, as well as damp press copy of reply from William Gregory, Under Secretary; letter from [Church of Ireland Bishop of Killaloe], Richard [Ponsonby DD], Clansford House, to unnamed recipient; precis of most notable correspondence relating to Davoren's case, between September 1829 and February 1830; as well as note annotated by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant], indicating that although Percy sympathises with Davoren's plight, 'it would be a great mortification to his Excellency, to suffer the Ruffians of his neighbourhood to gain a triumph over him and the law' by allowing Davoren to move from his vicarage. Material indicates Davoren was awarded a sum of £158 instead, as well as police protection. 15 items; 42pp. 17 Sep 1829-23 Feb 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/245. Letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, requesting leave of absence to stay with family in County Westmeath in light of the 'present tranquil state of th[e] County'. Additional letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, outlining his report in relation to the county, and requesting 100 additional police constables, as well as the deployment of troops to Ennis, Corofin and Ennistymon. Also note annotated by Leveson Gower and Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant]. 3 items; 7pp. 7 Nov 1829-[c27] Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/272. Letter from Lt Gen Sir Augustine Fitzgerald [1st Baronet], Carrigoran, Newmarket on Fergus, [County Clare], reporting that various parts of the county 'are in the most dangerous State of Excitation', with annotation on reverse by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant]. 1 item; 4pp. 12 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/296. File of papers relating to attack on William Greene of Kilrush, County Clare. Includes: letter from Greene to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant, outlining the circumstances surrounding his attack during the registration of freeholders in the county; letter from magistrate Poole Hickman, Kilmore, Knock, to William Gregory, Under Secretary; affidavit sworn by yeoman Timothy Noonan of Ennis before magistrate John James Fitzgerald, testifying that Greene was again attacked by a crowd of approximately 200 people at Sixmilebridge on 20 June 1829, during which 2 linchpins were stolen from the wheels of his carriage; and letter from Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant], Phoenix Park, to Gregory. 5 items; 8pp. 12 Jun 1829-[c21] Jun 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/507. Memorial of magistrates Thomas Morony, Joseph Crips and Thomas H Morony, Miltown Malbay, County Clare, to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant, reporting the 'disturbed' state of the county, including an attack on the home of Michael Clarke on 28 June 1829, and requesting aid 'to preserve the tranquility [sic] of his heretofore peaceable part of the country'. 1 item; 3pp. [July] 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/519. Letter from William Edward Major, assistant barrister of County Clare, Bunratty Castle [post town is Sixmilebridge], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, forwarding clipping from 'The Morning Register' dated 22 July 1829, reporting a riot at Milltown [Miltown Malbay], when 'two thousand [men], variously armed, marched into the town, and... obliged the Barrister and other authorities to abandon the court, declaring that they would not permit further proceedings in cases of ejectment.' 2 items; 4pp. 22 Jul 1829-23 Jul 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/611. Letter from magistrate Maj Daniel O'Donoghue, Ennis, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, outlining his report in relation to the current state of County Clare, stating that in his opinion, 'the O'Connel [Daniel O'Connell MP for County Clare] mania will probably soon pass away', with draft letter of reply from the Chief Secretary's Office. Additional letter from O'Donoghue, Templemore, [County Tipperary], to Leveson Gower, reporting 2 serious attempted murders on 21 October 1829. [CSO/RP/OR/1829/611/1 appears to have been mistakenly marked with original reference number 1829/O5]. 3 items; 8pp. 14 Aug 1829-22 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/612. Letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, reporting the acquittal of 2

police constables of separate charges of murder at the recent assizes. 1 item; 4pp. 5 Aug 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/616. Two letters from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, outlining a number of outrages in County Clare, including the severe beating of 2 of Mr [Edward] Synge's tenants, for 'their continuing to send their children to Mr Synge's schools'. Annotation on reverse by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant]. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1829/617, CSO/RP/OR/1829/685 and CSO/RP/OR/1829/711]. 2 items; 6pp. 11 Sep 1829-13 Sep 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/617. Three letters from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, outlining a number of outrages in County Clare, including the severe beating of another 3 of Mr [Edward] Synge's tenants at Tubber, County Galway [see also CSO/RP/OR/1829/616 and CSO/RP/OR/1829/711]. Annotation on reverse giving legal opinion of Richard W Greene. Additional note annotated by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant]. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1829/685]. 4 items; 11pp. 24 Sep 1829-[c.20] Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/619. Letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, forwarding 'a very extraordinary letter, purporting to be written by a Mr. James Hynes, eight or nine Copies of which have lately been transmitted through Burren post office to Magistrates and Gentlemen of his County', outlining a complaint against John Hynes of New Quay, Burren. Also states that former magistrate Peter Comyn is suspected as being the true author of the letters and a conspiracy against the 'respectable' Hynes, noting both that Comyn was observed posting the letters by Postmaster Callanan, and the handwriting bears 'a striking resemblance' to that of Comyn. Annotation on reverse by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant], and giving legal opinion of Henry Joy, Attorney General. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1829/116 and CSO/RP/OR/1829/710]. 2 items; 8pp. [c13] Sep 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/620. Private letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, to William Gregory, Under Secretary, requesting reports submitted by Archdeacon Whitty [?incumbent of Kilmanaheen parish] relating to outrages in Ennistymon. 1 item; 2pp. 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/621. Letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, reporting an increase in crime throughout the county, and observing that the police force there is deficient in numbers. Annotation on reverse by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant]. 1 item; 6pp. 10 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/629. Letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, observing that 'since my last report no outrage, whatever, has taken place in this county', but that the chief constable stationed at Ennistymon has reported that on 3 November 1829, approximately 200 men marked past the police barrack at Lisdoonvarna, 'in excellent order two deep - with spades shouldered, a green flag in front'. Notes similar assemblies of men around the county, 'particularly to dig the Potatoes of Prisoners Convicted at Quarter Sessions'. Also draft letter of reply from the Chief Secretary's Office. 2 items; 6pp. 4 Nov 1829-10 Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/685. Letter from [?Francis] Synge, Glanmore Castle, Ashford, [County Wicklow], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, requesting him to forward his enclosed letter to Hugh Percy, Lord Lieutenant, relating to the recent persecution of Edward Synge's tenants in County Clare [See also CSO/RP/OR/1829/616, CSO/RP/OR/1829/617 and CSO/RP/OR/1829/711]. Annotation on reverse by Archdeacon Thomas Singleton [private secretary to Percy]. 2 items; 3pp. 3 Jul 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/697. Private letter from William Stokes, Nenagh, [County Tipperary], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, relating to the 'unfortunate state of the country', particularly a recent assembly of approximately 30 men 'in defiance of the Laws, and the Sheriff's Replevin'. Additional letter from magistrate Lt Col Daniel Toler Osborne, Ennis, [County Clare], to Leveson Gower, outlining his report in relation to same, and forwarding letter he received from Mat Carroll, Limerick, relating to a meeting of magistrates at Sixmilebridge. 3 items; 12pp. 30 Aug 1829-7 Sep 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/704. Two letters from William Stokes, Nenagh, [County Tipperary], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, reporting several acts of violence by parties of armed men in County Clare since he took possession of some land as agent to Mr Stafford O'Brien of England, including the stopping and firing on the caravan from Ennis to Limerick. 2 items; 5pp. 24 Sep 1829-4 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/710. Letter from William Greene, solicitor for Bindon Scott of Cahiracon [County Clare], 135 Capel Street, Dublin, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, forwarding copy of affidavit he swore before Henry Cole, magistrate of the Dublin Police, relating to the burning of Scott's property, Scotland Lodge in the Barony of Burren, allegedly by Peter Comyn and John Hynes [see also CSO/RP/OR/1829/116, CSO/RP/OR/1829/619 and CSO/RP/OR/1829/852]. Annotation on reverse giving legal opinion of Richard W Greene. 2 items; 5pp. 17 Dec 1829-21 Dec 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/711. File of letters from Edward Synge, Carhue, Corofin, to the Chief Secretary's Office, relating to the state of County Clare, particularly the education of the poor, the conduct of Roman Catholic priests, and the necessity of police assistance in forcibly removing those persons 'who without any pretence of right except that derived from the terrors of Ribbonmen occupy houses from whence the peaceable inhabitants are driven'. [Letters dated June and November 1829 initially given different original reference numbers in the Chief Secretary's Office, but later filed together due to their similar subject matter. See also CSO/RP/OR/1829/616, CSO/RP/OR/1829/617 and CSO/RP/OR/1829/685]. 10 items; 29pp., 18 Jun 1829-20 Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/715. Letter from Lt W Siborn, Assistant Military Secretary, Royal Hospital Kilmainham, [Dublin], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, stating that it is the wish of Lt Gen Sir John Byng, Commander in Chief of the Irish army, that a system of military patrols be adopted in Ennistymon, County Clare, in light of the success of same in counties Tipperary and Roscommon, with enclosed letter he received from Capt [?R Tempest], Commander of a Detachment of Military at Ennistymon. Additional letters to Leveson Gower from: John Hamilton, justice of the peace for County Donegal, and Edward M Hamilton, clerk to the justices of the peace for County Donegal, Ballintra, Ballyshannon; magistrate Michael Lidwill, Thurles, [County Tipperary]; and magistrate Thomas Edmund Lalor, Cregg House, Carrick on Suir. Also draft copy of letter from Leveson Gower to Maj Thomas D'Arcy, Inspector General of Police for Ulster, in relation to same. 7 items; 20pp. 8 Dec 1829-[c8] Jan 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/747. Letter from Rev William Maunsell, curate of Kilquane, [County Limerick], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, relating to an attack on the home of Joseph Vise of Firhill, Kilquane, on 18 February 1829. Additional letter from chief constable [Lt John Read] Bindon, Clonlara, [County Clare, post town is Castleconnell, County Limerick], outlining report from a meeting of magistrates at Clonlara Petty Sessions in relation to same. Annotated on reverse by Lt Gen Sir John Byng, Commander in Chief of the Irish army. 2 items; . pp. 19 Feb 1829-20 Feb 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/766. Memorial of John Flanagan, Ennistimon, [County Clare], to Rev John Whitty, Archdeacon of Kilfenora, claiming that Michael Kennedy is not guilty of assaulting Thomas Neagle of Carhuduff, [County Clare]; noting that Kennedy has trustworthy alibis and should be granted bail. Also covering letter from Whitty, magistrate, Kilmanaheen Glebe, Ennistymon, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, seeking legal advice as to the granting of bail. 2 items; 4pp. 13 Jan 1829-15 Jan 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/771. Letter from Walter Molony, Chief Constable, Gort, [County Galway], to Maj Warburton, reporting on large nightly gatherings of men at [Killanena, County Clare] and unsuccessful attempts by a party of constables lead by Sgt Teaffy to arrest a man named Russel upon evidence of his whereabouts by a man called Neilson. Also letter from Joseph Tabuteau, Chief Constable, Ennis, [County Clare], to Warburton, reporting on the waylaying of a water guard at Moocen on this return from Seafield and the unsuccessful attempts by Sgt Cotter to apprehend those responsible. Also letter from Thomas Williams, Chief Constable, Woodford, [County Galway], to Warburton, reporting that bonfires were lit and hundreds of people paraded at night in celebration of O'Connell's election victory; adding that the house of Lieut Sandwith, protestant, was attacked and that Rev Huleatt was obliged to call out the police from Whitegate and Mountshannon to protect him while conducting a funeral. Also draft order from Warburton, to his chief constables, ordering the constabulary to abstain from any demonstrations of political partiality or outbursts of temper and to only act under the direction of their magistrates following the recent events in London. Also covering letters from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 6 items; 18pp. 8 Feb 1829-12 Feb 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/786. Letter from William Coffey, Chief Constable, Tomgraney, [County Clare], to Maj Warburton, reporting on the theft of timber from the wood of Lord Dunboyne and adding that he found freshly sawn ash timber in several of the surrounding houses. Also letter from John Brown, Chief Constable, Tully House, [County Roscommon], to Maj Warburton, reporting on an attack on the house of a man named Gaffy near Moore village. Also letter from DT Winslow, Mohill, County Leitrim, to Warburton, reporting on the attack made on Sgt Rutledge and Constable Walker by a gang who attempted to deprive them of their firearms; also copy of threatening notice from 'Captain Fairplay' against anyone dealing with Brunswickers at Cloone market. Also extract from letter from chief constables in counties Roscommon and Clare including Capt Atkinson, Mr Brown, Mr Carey, Mr Wright and Mr Winslow. Also covering letters from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, assuring government that the constabulary are 'indefatigable in their exertions to preserve the peace' but fearing that the 'infection is spreading into Mayo, at least that part of it contiguous to Roscommon'. 6 items; 17pp. 17 Mar 1829-28 Mar 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/793. Letter from W Coffey, Chief Constable, Tomgraney, [County Clare], to Maj Warburton, reporting on an arson attack on the property of Thomas Crowley of Annacaraga and enclosing a threatening notice [extant] served on a pensioner named Sweany warning him not to have anything to do with Patt Quin's house which is to come out of lease. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Limerick, to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 3 items; 5pp. 13 Apr 1829-14 Apr 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/794. Letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Athlone, [County Westmeath], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, noting that he has learned that there has been considerable rioting in Ennis, [County Clare] and buildings which were not illuminated were attacked. Also copy of notice announcing illuminations 'for the triumphant victory of Catholic Emancipation' 2 items; 4pp. 23 Apr 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/802. Copy of letter from William Coffey, Chief Constable, Tomgraney, [County Clare], [probably to Maj Warburton], reporting on a burglary committed by a gang who attacked the house of Denis Roughan of KIELTY and transcribing a Rockite notice served on John Sampson who was also targeted by Ribbonmen in 1822; also noting that a party of over 400 men were seen parading but that it was reported that they were 'May-boys'. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 2 items; 4pp. 1 May 1829-6 May 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/806. File of letters from constabulary officers reporting on outrages in counties Clare and Sligo. Letter from TS Ireland, Roscommon, to Maj Warburton, reporting on the waylaying and robbery of a man named McManus, farmer, near Oran; noting that the powers available to the police are limited and defective and that the gangs who are operating in the area are aware of this; noting that the lower orders are offering determined opposition to the collection of con acre rent. Also extract of letters from chief constables Carey of Kilrush, [County Clare], Whittaker of Ballymote, [County Sligo] and Curtis of Colloony [County Sligo]; reporting on incidents including the refusal of relatives of the late Mr Kelly who took poison, to allow the coroner, Mr Lucas, conduct an inquest; also the beating to death of Scanlan at Ballymote Fair. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. Includes annotation stating that the Lord Lieutenant is of the opinion that the conduct of the coroner 'appears perfectly childish'. 4 items; 10pp; 12 May 1829-16 May 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/80. Copies of reports from constables and chief constables Meredith of Grouse Lodge, County Leitrim and Coffey of Tomgraney, [County Clare] and Gardiner of County Sligo; reporting on the arrests of Connell McPartland, accused of the murder of John Dolan, of Thomas O'Brien who is accused of attacking Patrick McGarrahan and of Peter Nehill accused of attacking Mr Bennis. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 2 items; 4pp; 23 May 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/813. Copied extracts from reports from chief constables Coffey, Tomgraney, County Clare, Mahon of Newmarket and Gardiner of Easkey, County Sligo; reporting on military parades by groups describing themselves as Mayboys; the burning of a Baptist school at Ogonnelloe; an attack on the Feakle police while attempting to arrest Nelson, charged with rape; an arson attack on the house of Mr Inerny of Cratloe; Rockite notices against anyone dealing with Rev Grove. Also covering letter from George

Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 2 items; 5pp; 19 May 1829-21 May 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/816. File of letters from constabulary officers reporting on outrages in counties Clare, Leitrim and Sligo. Copied extract from reports from constables and chief constables Brown of Athlone, Caldwell, Morgan of [Corofin, County Clare], Scully, Carey of Kilrush, [County Clare], Armstrong of County Leitrim, Gardiner of Easkey, County Sligo; reporting on attacks on individuals, arson attacks, the poisoning of a newly married man by his wife, a shooting incident at a salmon weir, the murder of Michael Spellicy on his return from Kilmurry Fair, serving of Rockite notices, killing or mutilation of livestock, Also letter from William Grove, magistrate, Charlesfort [House, County Sligo], to Maj Warburton, claiming that his area has not been so disturbed since 1798 and that two constables were attacked while guarding a carman transporting potatoes across a mountain; suggesting that the police force under Gardiner, [Chief Constable] be increased. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 4 items; 11pp; 28 May 1829-3 Jun 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/817. Letter from W Coffey, Chief Constable, Tomgraney, [County Clare], to Maj Warburton, reporting on an attack by a crowd 'shouting for O'Connell and down with the police' on the constabulary commanded by Mr Taylor in Feakle, County Clare; noting that the attack stemmed from an attempt by the police to arrest a man named Nelson following a request by Rev Clune, catholic curate; adding that they sought refuge in the public house of a man named Rochford. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Tulla, [County Clare], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 2 items; 6pp; 22 May 1829-30 May 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/818. Copied extract from reports from chief constables Carey of Kilrush, [County Clare], Morgan of Corofin, [County Clare] and Whittaker of Ballymote, [County Sligo]; reporting on the stoning of Mr Green's carriage and arrival of [Daniel] O'Connell into Kilrush, an arson attack against Mr Synge's schoolhouse; rioting at Banada Fair, [Sligo] and the actions of Mr Jones, magistrate. Also letter from Thomas Williams, Chief Constable, Woodford, [County Galway], to Maj Warburton, reporting that Patrick Sutton has agreed to provide evidence against the gang who robbed William Walsh's house and therefore requires police protection and also noting the arrest of John Bohan. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary. 3 items; 7pp; 13 Jun 1829-16 Jun 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/82. CSO/RP/OR/1829/82. Letter from John Wright, Chief Constable, Milltown Malbay, [County Clare], to Maj Warburton, claiming that William Ferguson, sub constable, has been falsely found guilty of the murder of Daniel Nealon in a case of diabolical conspiracy and claiming that Ferguson's carbine was not discharged during the incident; adding that Charles O'Connell, attorney harangued the mob from the window of Mort Hehir's public house and is acting on behalf of the Roman Catholic Association; adding that 'a self constituted corps' raised in opposition to the constabulary has been parading in the town and is headed by Fitzgibbon, a dyer. Also report from the coroner's inquest. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, Under Secretary, suggesting that the magistrates should not send constables to enforce trifling warrants at this time of great excitement and suggesting that the constabulary may have open fire

unnecessarily due to the fact that they are in a state of constant apprehension of being attacked. Also memorandum [probably from Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary], suggesting that measures be taken to appoint a stipendiary magistracy in County Clare and to enlarge the police force in that county. 5 items; 11pp; 29 Jun 1829-6 Jul 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/827. Copied extract from an informer's statement stating that a 'momentary calm' exists in Clare following the arrival of the military and a circular from O'Connell to the priests warning them that the county could be placed under the Insurrection Act; commenting on the incidents at the fair at Ruan, [County Clare]; warning that firearms, including old repaired guns are in the hands of catholics and that collections are being made to purchase flags and banners and to set up marching bands; noting that there are rumours circulating that O'Gorman Mahon is procuring firearms in France and that the army cannot be spared for too long in Ireland. Also copy of letter from Joseph Tabuteau, Sub Inspector, Ennis, [County Clare], to Maj Warburton, reporting on his interview with Constable Scanlan who has been arrested following the shooting and wounding of Mangin at Six Mile Bridge [Sixmilebridge, County Clare]. 2 items; 7pp; 6 Jul 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/830. Affidavit of Michael Clarke, apothecary, Milltown [Malbay], County Clare, claiming that his life and business are in imminent danger and seeking to be placed under the protection of John Wright, Chief Constable. Also related memorial of Clarke, to Hugh Percy, 3rd Duke of Northumberland. Also letter from John Wright, to Maj Warburton, reporting that Charles O'Connell addressed a crowd assembled in the chapel of Ennistimon, [County Clare] during which he abused the chief constable, the constabulary and Mr Morony, magistrate; adding that Maj McNamara was requested by 'a mob' brandishing pitchforks to memorialise government to have Wright removed. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Ennis, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, enclosing a clipping from an Ennis newspaper. 4 items; 11pp; 30 Jun 1829-25 Jul 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/831. Letter from William Coffey, Chief Constable, Tomgraney, [County Clare], to Maj Warburton, noting that he has been informed by the High Sheriff stating that the election would take place on Thursday; noting that 300 men crossed the Shannon from Tipperary in search of the 'Borrosakane Murderers'. Also letter from John Morgan, Chief Constable, Corofin, [County Clare], to Warburton, reporting on an attack on the constabulary by a crowd of over 200 persons while they were attempting to arrest a man named O'Brien but adding that they did not open fire; adding that the post master has been threatening because he gave shelter to the police during the incident. Also covering letters from George Warburton, Inspector General, Limerick and Ennis, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary. Includes annotations from Gower, noting that one of the incidents relates to the trial of policemen at Borrisokane. 5 items; 13pp; 23 Jul 1829-31 Jul 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/840. Letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Cove [Cobh, County Cork], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, stating that he does not think it advisable to move Col Osborne from Clare unless a replacement is provided. Noting that unrest still exists in Mr Synge's area and recalling his suggestion that Capt Drought's services be extended to Tipperary or failing that to take charge of Clare. Includes annotation from Gower noting that Osborne is to be retained in his current district. 1 item; 3pp; 27 Aug 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/851. Letter from John Morgan, Chief Constable, Corofin District, [County Clare], to Maj Warburton, reporting on a large meeting attended by the lower orders following a requisition in the 'Clare Sentinel', which was addressed by Mr O'Connell, attorney of Ennis; noting that speakers urged a cessation of outrages which were in part blamed on the actions of Mr Synge; noting that the fate of Henry Lyons an informer was mentioned; noting the names of the main participants, including O'Gorman Mahon, Steele, Rev Murphy and Mr Protheroe, an English MP. Also covering letters from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary. 3 items; 8pp; 11 Oct 1829-13 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/852. Copy of letter from [Blake] Morgan, Finavara, Burren, [County Clare], to Christopher Lopdell, Derryowen, [County Clare], warning that a spirit of Ribbonism, intimidation and illegal oath swearing has spread to his area; noting that Rev Westrop has been targeted; noting that he is a protestant and holds his lands under the Court of Chancery paying rent to a receiver and that his tenants are making unreasonable demands on him. Also covering letter from Walter Molony, Chief Constable, Gort, [County Galway], to Maj Warburton, noting the measures he has taken with the constabulary in the area on foot of a letter from Lopdell; noting that it has been proposed to form an armed association of farmers to patrol the neighbourhood but adding that the police patrols and theirs don't 'exactly agree'. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, noting that Morgan's opinion of Peter Comyn 'is singular' and that 'his reappointment to the Commission of the Peace would be a very mischievous circumstance'; seeking additional manpower. 4 items; 12pp; 5 Oct 1829-10 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/855. File of documents from magistrates and constabulary officers reporting on 'Rockite' outrages in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim and Sligo and arising from a meeting in Tubber, [County Galway] which called for additional constables and search warrants for firearms. Letters from Walter Molony, Chief Constable, Gort, [County Galway], to Maj Warburton, enclosing proceedings and resolutions of a meeting of magistrates to investigate outrages committed in Tubber, [County Galway] which called for additional constables for the area and search warrants for firearms; reporting on a violent 'Whiteboy' attack on John Carney of Gurtavoher by a gang who spoke Munster Irish who ordered him to quit his house and land which he rents from Augustine Butler of Ballyline, [County Clare]; adding that threats have been made against Rev Lahiff, catholic priest, who condemned the outrages from the altar. Also copy of letter from Warburton, to the magistrates assembled at Tubber, responding to the request for additional constabulary in their area and noting that he has had to reinforce the stations along the Shannon and concluding that an augmentation of the force in Clare and Galway is required. Also copied extracts from reports from chief constables stationed in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim and Sligo including Wright of Milltown, Morgan of Corofin, Molony of Gort, Brew of Clare and Galway, Plunkett of Moylough, Coffey of Clare, Winslow of Mohill, Tracy [of Leitrim], Constable Meredith [of Dromahair], Curtis of Collooney, Capt Gardiner of Easkey, Bulfin [of Sligo]; reporting on various outrages including intimidation of voters who supported Mr Fitzgerald in Clare, threatening notices against witnesses and those working or purchasing for protestants, attacks on persons sending their children to Mr Syng's school, physical and arson attacks against tenants and in order to force them to quit their holdings or not purchase tythes; attacks on livestock and crops, includes reference to a custom of individuals with blackened faces and dressed in straw arriving at weddings and demanding whiskey in order to leave. Also letter from Thomas Bulfin, Sligo, to Warburton, reporting that

constables from Carney were prevented from arresting a man, accused of assaulting two protestants, by a crowd of peasantry. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, noting that the magistrates have requested search warrants for arms to be granted to Col Osborne and Walter Butler of Cregs; adding that he is 'not favourable to searching for arms' but concluding that they should be granted in order to demonstrate to the magistrates that such measures are 'useless'. 9 items; 36pp; 24 Sep 1829-5 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/856. Letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], concerning outrages and the difficulties experienced by Col Osborne in [Corofin, County Clare]. Letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, warning that the 'Rockite System' is rapidly extending and that following communication with Col Osborne he has decided to move 26 officers from County Mayo to Currofin [Corofin, County Clare]; observing that no person will provide information to Osborne in relation to the outrages against 'Mr Syng's people' and that Syng himself believes that the perpetrators should be forgiven and therefore will not suffer anyone to provide information. Includes annotation from Gower, observing that Osborne is still needed in Clare and wondering who is to take up the position in Queens County [County Laois]? 1 item; 2pp; 9 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/861. Letter from Rev John Whitty, magistrate and Archdeacon of Kilfenora, Ennistymon, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, reporting that the servant of Mr Davoren has died as a result of a beating and observing that those who have been attacked or ill-treated are often reluctant to provide information due to intimidation; noting that very few of the magistrates are resident and that many firearms are in the hands of those not qualified to hold them; complaining about the inadequate size of constabulary force and seeking a reversal of the decision to remove troops from Ennistymon. Includes annotation from Gower, offering to issue search warrants for firearms, noting that the county should apply for more constables and observing that the patrolling of roads by the military will not prevent the outrages described. 1 item; 4pp; 6 Oct 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/866. Copied extracts from reports from chief constables in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Roscommon and Sligo, including Winslow, Capt Gardiner, Montford, Fitzhenry, Tabuteau, Capt Atkinson and Capt Galbraith; reporting on outrages in their districts including threatening 'Terry Alts' notices against a protestant in Clare for bringing his children to church, attacks on houses, theft of firearms, illegal repair of guns by a whitesmith, arson attacks and attacks on livestock, forced administration of illegal oaths; nightly intimidation by a party of over 200 Rockites in Dromore, Sligo, the murder of man named Crane in Sligo, smashing of articles bought from a protestant cooper named Peacock in Dromahair, digging of potatoes of an imprisoned man named Healy by hundreds of labourers in Clare, an attack on Lord Forbes's gamekeeper; attacks on the houses of Mr Fetherston and Summer by a gang searching for arms and calling themselves 'Steelboys' in County Roscommon, threatening letter served on Joseph Hardy, a driver on the Earl of Clancarty's estate Glanaclare, Cahertrim, County Galway. Also covering letters from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary and Alexander Mangin, Dublin Castle. 7 items; 17pp; 16 Oct 1829-18 Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/867. Letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, reporting that Sir E O'Brien has called a meeting of magistrates in Ennis, [County Clare] and noting that he will travel to that town; presuming that Mr [Crussly] will be sent to him. 2 items; 3pp; 23 Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/871. Copied extracts from reports from chief constables and sub inspectors in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Roscommon and Sligo, including Tabuleau, Townsend, Mahon, Royse, Carr, Molony, Capt Armstong, Brown, Bulfin, Curtis and Capt Kelly; reporting on outrages in their districts including the shooting of a man called Grady in a faction fight at Ballinacally Fair; attack on John Crow, County Clare by a crowd calling themselves 'Terry Alts' who pulled down his house and ordered him to quit his property; an attack on the coast guard watch house at Costelloe Bay, Outerard during which an assailant called King was shot by the Mr O'Brien, chief boat man; beating to death of Gildea in Prosperous and Thady Dowd at Headford Fair; threatening notices including a 'Terry Alt' notice signed in blood; mutilation of cattle and destruction of crops. Also affidavit of aforementioned John Crowe, farmer, Rooska, County Clare. Also newspaper clipping reporting on violent outrages committed by 'Terry Alts' including the whipping of Tim Macmahon of Leanea, a tenant of Edward Synge and the carding of the son of John O'Donnell of Kilnaboy. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, noting his lack of manpower and adding that the magistrate cannot apply to government for additional constables for another three months. 4 items; 10pp; 14 Nov 1829-15 Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/873. Letter from DT Winslow, Mohill, [County Leitrim], to unidentified recipient, reporting on the destruction of property belonging to Michael Flynn, herdsman of Mr Fitzpatrick of Killeshandra. Letter from John Morgan, Chief Constable, Corrofin District [Corofin, County Clare], to Maj Warburton, reporting on a system of intimidation against Rev Davoren and his employees on account of a presentment which he was awarded and also intimidation against Mr Synge's people; noting that Col Osborne has been of assistance but adding that the district needs a resident magistrate. Also covering letters from George Warburton, Inspector General, Cove [Cobh, County Cork], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, noting that Mr Synge is persevering in keeping up schools where the scriptures are read despite being advised to give up his plan for the present. 3 items; 9pp; 18 Aug 1829-29 Aug 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/877. Affidavit of Michael Culligan, Knock, County Clare, swearing that Hugh Brady, labourer of Cassamagh confided in him that John McInerhenry, publican of Knock is guilty in a conspiracy to murder Poole Hichman of Kilmore. Also covering letter from P Hichman, Kilmore, noting that the magistrates believe that a conspiracy did exist. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary. 3 items; 6pp; 2 Nov 1829-9 Nov 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/886. Copied extracts from reports from chief constables Molony and Capt Ireland in counties Galway, Clare and Roscommon reporting on outrages in their counties including the theft of a gun from Michael Carney of Kiltacka, Rockvale, County Clare; an attack on the elderly Widow Hurley of Rockforest; a threatening Rockite notice served on Rev Grace of Kilkeedy Glebe; the burning of a lodge belonging to Peter Comyns; the attempted shooting of Mr Walker, sub constable of Ballinafad station. Also letter from Walter Molony, Gort, [County Galway], to Maj Warburton, reporting on a meeting of magistrates at Derryowen, [County Clare], which individuals who had

suffered from arson attacks on their homes were forced to attend and give evidence; noting that none of the reluctant witnesses would testify against any of the culprits; noting that the magistrates could not agree on the stationing of constables and that Hugh O'Loughlin warned him that the police should be stationed at Ballyvaughan, [County Clare]. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, reporting on the reallocation of constables and reappointment of chief constables noting that Mr Brew has been sent to Oranmore as he speaks Irish and is also a magistrate for County Clare. 3 items; 11pp; 7 Dec 1829-11 Dec 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/887. Letter from Archdeacon John Whitty, magistrate and protestant clergyman, Kilmainham Glebe, Ennistymon, [County Clare], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, forwarding copies of threatening Rockite notices [extant] served on him and lamenting that his house has been attacked twelve times since October; observing that his neighbour Mr Davoren has succumbed to the intimidation and has left following the murder of Pilkington; complaining about the widespread proliferation of illegal firearms, lack of a stipendiary magistrate and the withdrawal of the military from the area. Includes threatening notices signed Captain Rock warning Whitty to leave the county or 'not wan of ye will walk a step by Easter'. 4 items; 7pp; 7 Dec 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/889. Copied extracts from reports from chief constables and sub inspectors Duncan, Capt Gardiner, Curtis, Molony and Caldwell in counties Leitrim, Sligo, Galway and Clare reporting on outrages in their counties including the theft of firearms from the houses of T Taylor and H Thompson; attacks on a man called Dowd near Skreen and others because they were engaged in legal prosecutions; breaking of windows of Mr Dunnish's house because Dr Hesie of Borrisokane had been expected at dinner; the beating of a man called O'Brien because his cousin married a school master employed by Mr Synge. Also copy of a threatening Rockite notice served on Archdeacon Whitty warning him that the police cannot protect him. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary. Includes annotation wondering if Col Osborne could be sent to Leitrim and Sligo as the disruptions in Queens County [County Laois] have subsided?. 3 items; 6pp; 29 Nov 1829-4 Dec 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/892. Copied extracts from reports from chief constables and sub inspectors Morgan, Brew, Townsend, Caldwell, Tabuteau, Molony, Weldon, Daly, Tracy, Curtis, Gardiner and Ferrall in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Sligo and Mayo reporting on outrages in their counties including a desire on the part of respectable inhabitants of Clare to give their firearms to the magistrates but their reluctance to do so due to Rockite intimidation; an attack on the constabulary at Miltown by armed Rockites; threatening notices received by Mr Flynn of Lisdoonvarna who voted for Mr Vesey Fitzgerald; intimidation of the steward and servants of Capt O'Brien, brother to Sir Edward O'Brien, at Clifton; the denouncing from the altar by Rev Lahiff of Tubber of men responsible for sending him a threatening notice, partly in response to his having voted for Vesey Fitzgerald; arson attacks and attacks on property; a letter intercepted in Killalla post office addressed to 'Hugh O'Hara', 'Captain of the Hearts of Steel' and purporting to contain a list of names of sworn ribbonmen in County Mayo. Also covering letter from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary. 2 items; 9pp; 18 Dec 1829.

CSO/RP/OR/1829/897. Copied extracts from reports from chief constables and sub inspectors Carey, Tabuteau, Molony, Lewis, Fitzhenry, Brew, Daly, Williams, Brown, Capt Ireland, Caldwell and Carey and constables Blakeney and Steel in counties Clare, Galway, Mayo and Roscommon reporting on outrages in their counties including the barbarous torture of two men named Doyle of Drumnelly by a gang who cut their tongues out on account of they having supplied information to Mr Westropp, their landlord; the murder of a boy called Curtin who was driving pigs from Connelly Fair; the shooting of a man called Nolan by a barger while fishing in the River Direen; a large assembly of armed men at Tully in the Strokestown District; an attack on a police patrol at Miltown during which one man was seen to have been shot in the head; the general concealment of injuries and secret internment of Ribbonmen who have been shot dead; attempts by Messers O'Loughlin, Bridgeman, Murphy and Cahill to offer amnesties in order to secure the surrender of stolen firearms instead of punishing those responsible; the willingness of certain individuals to surrender their firearms on the condition that they would be returned at a later date; a riot at Woodford Fair and the decision of the constabulary not to intervene; theft of firearms, destruction of livestock, arson attacks and levelling of buildings; the issuing of threatening notices from the 'Terence Alts'; attacks on the houses of James Burke of Aglesh, Coggins of Mosshill and Michael Fee of Boulafeen. Also letter from John Morgan, Chief Constable, Corofin District, to Maj Warburton, reporting on an attack on a pensioner named O'Connell by Pat Guttery, and noting that O'Connell has offered to supply a great deal of information on the robbery of firearms having being part of a gang involved in this activity. Also affidavits of Andrew Webb and William Law, pensioners and John Donohan, publican, Scariff, County Clare, accusing Michael Mullins of Tossabeg of using treasonable language. Also five covering letters from George Warburton, Inspector General, Castlegar, [County Galway], to Francis Leveson Gower, Chief Secretary, noting that he has informed Mr Brew to make a search for stolen goods and to take up any illegal arms which he may discover; mentioning the offer made by Mr Bridgeman; warning that several sub constables who attend chapel in disturbed districts may have been sworn into secret societies but fearing that this cannot be proved. Includes annotations from Gower noting that troops should be sent to Kilrush; agreeing with the decision of the constabulary at Woodford; recommending that any suspect constables be 'quietly and silently' dismissed 'without assigning [any] cause'. 14 items; 38pp; 19 Dec 1829-31 Dec 1829.

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CSO/RP/OR/1830/1. Letter from [Sir James] Dombtrain, [Inspector General of the Coast Guard], Coast Guard Office, Custom House, [Dublin], to Sir Francis Leveson Gower, [Chief Secretary], Dublin Castle, enclosing copy letter from HB White, Inspecting Commander, Galway, reporting about a party of Whiteboys and rebels from County Clare searching the south and middle islands of Arran [Inishmaan and Inisheer, County Galway] and seizing weapons; suspecting John Maher, Malbay [Miltown Malbay, County Clare], and ___ Fitzpatrick, lately a schoolmaster on Arran to have been involved with the incident. 2 items; 4pp; 22 Jan 1830-29 Jan 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/29. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Constable and magistrate, Corofin, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting about the state of the country where the mob attempts to keep down the price of potatoes and commits outrages by means of intimidation and coercion, mentioning that few are willing to give evidence, that a man was punished for contracting with Mr Lysaght of

Ballykeal, County Clare], that a man was forced to give his daughter and a dowry ‘to the greatest ruffian in the country’, that one principal perpetrator in the destruction of John Hynes’s boat is in gaol; also stating that the people suffer greatly with lack of employment and high food prices. Also, acknowledging receipt of payment for John Connor for his services. 16 Jun 1830; 1 item; 4pp.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/30. Letter from Maj Samson Carter, [magistrate], Nenagh, to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting on a verdict on the murder of Edmond Burke near Briensbridge, [O’Briensbridge, County Clare], committed by John Hasset who is at large. 1 item; 1p. 29 Jul 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/31. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting about an attack made on James Tymons, Knocknareeha, Corofin; some similar outrages, also near Corofin; hoping to obtain information on the perpetrators. Also, annotation by [Archdeacon Thomas Singleton, private secretary to Hugh Percy, 3rd duke Northumberland, Dublin], praising Brew’s work, and a note by [Dublin Castle] to [Major Warburton, Inspector General], on assisting Brew. 2 items; 3pp. 1 Sep 1830-8 Sep 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/33. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], reporting on the attack by a mob on the house of Purcell, at Mr Scott’s gate, Caheracon. 1 item; 2pp. 12 Sep 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/34. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting on a number of Whiteboy acts near Corofin, [County Clare] such as the destruction of turf and hay, the posting of threatening letters, all seemingly against persons who voted for [Sir] Lucius O’Brien in the last election. Also, praising the acts of resistance given to attacks by the son of widow McGrath, near Corofin, recommending a reward. Also, annotation by Harding asking for a further report but suggesting giving McGrath a musket and shot. 1 item; 4pp. 11 Sep 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/35. File of correspondence from magistrates regarding outrages near Corofin and Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, and the magistrates’ actions against the perpetrators. Includes letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Adelphi, Corofin, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting on the destruction of corn belonging to Francis Owen, Corofin, and stating that many other such outrages have been committed; enclosing resolutions by ten magistrates with Sir Edward O’Brien, chair, raising subscriptions in order to offer rewards for informers; also enclosing a letter from Edmund Mahon, Chief Constable, Newmarket on Fergus, [County Clare], on an attack by a mob on the farm of a certain Hogan, Smithstown, [County Clare], to take corn. Also, letter from James C Fitzgerald, magistrate, Newmarket on Fergus, to Hardinge, on the same incident, asking whether to arrest a further 21 persons implicated in the act, and memorandum by Hardinge, in favour of arresting especially those individuals who came from Cratloe to assist the riot. 5 items; 15pp. : 17 Sep 1830-22 Sep 1830.

CSORP/OR/1830/38. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Adelphi, Corofin, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting the burning of the house of John Hehir, [Knockmagarra, Corofin,] where the family just only escaped with their lives. (See *Ennis Chronicle 22 Sept 1830*). Also, annotation by Hardinge and memorandum by

[Archdeacon Thomas Singleton, private secretary to Hugh Percy, 3rd duke Northumberland, Dublin], with suggestions as to deploying the military, and of the necessity of making an example. 20 Sept 1830-23Sept. 1830. 2 items, 4 pages.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/42. Three letters from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis and Miltown Malbay, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], mostly reporting about a vicious attack on Patrick Sheehy, his siblings Margaret and Michael Sheehy, at Lissynelan, [Lissyneillan, County Clare]; enclosing affidavits from them taken by Brew and Michael De Alton, magistrates, identifying John Flynn, Patrick Lynchy, Michael Nelan, John O'Donnell, Patrick McGrath, Michael Hanrahan, Tim Killeen, Patrick Considine, William Hogan and John Hogan, Thomas Crawford as among the mob; Brew suggesting to contact Cap McNamara of the Coast Guard to search for these, and adding that four of these named men were also charged with cutting the tongues of the Doyles at [Dromellihiy, County Clare]. Further reporting on an attack on the house of a certain Campbell, Kilfenora, [County Clare], as reported by Dean Stacpool, [magistrate], the theft of guns belonging to a certain Donnelly, and to a man called Wolffe, also near Lissyneillan. 4 items; 12pp. 1 Oct 1830-7 Oct 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/49. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting of a seditious placard posted by Mr Thomas Steele, and replicated in the Ennis paper, enclosing a copy [not naming newspaper], and asking for advice. Also, annotation by Richard W. Greene, [legal advisor, Dublin], advising that any such actions are liable to prosecution. 2 items; 5pp. 20 Oct 1830-1 Nov 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/50. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting on further investigations into **the murder of Thomas McGrath by a scythe** (See *Ennis Chronicle* 13 Oct 1830) where the suspects, John and Patrick Mulquiny have fled, also his conversation with [Michael] Hanrahan and _____ Hogan who are suspects in the attack on the Sheehys. Also, investigations such as on the attack on the house of Campbell, Barony of Corcomroe, where Campbell has been bribed not to give information. Brew comments that people seem ripe for revolution; 'every man, even such as is not able to speak a word of English, is a politician, and will talk of the revolutions on the continent...' fears there is a more general plan in place among them. 2 items; 5pp. 15 Oct 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/55. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], stating that the county has become more tranquil, with most outrages that are carried out being cases of abductions of 'snug' farmers' daughters. 1 item; 2pp. 21 Nov 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/58. Two letters from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis and Corofin, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting the arrests of one man who attacked Patrick Rouine, Woodfield near Corofin, another who may have murdered Michael Reidy, and five of those charged with abducting William Hogan's daughter; noting that two more abductions were carried out in the Baronies of Inchiquin and Burren. 2 items; 6pp; 11 Dec 1830-18 Dec 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/76. Letter from Henry Croker, Brig Major of yeomanry, Mallow, [County Cork], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting from his inspection [of County Clare], having found things tranquil with the exception of outrages

around Corofin, referring to commanding officer Sir B Blakeney. Also commenting on the 'unparalleled distress' of the labouring class from want of employment and the severity of the seasons; on the promising state of crops. 1 item; 2pp; 3 Mar 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/96. Letter from Brig Major Henry Croker, yeomanry, Mallow, [County Cork], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting from his inspection of parts of County Clare that the districts appeared tranquil, and that while the lower orders have turned away from revolutionary principals, the lack of employment is causing distress among the poor. 1 item; 2pp; 31 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/128. Letter from Charles Staunton Cahill, Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], complaining that [William] Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle] deprived him of his commission of the peace because he never liked Catholic magistrates; claiming he has a list of people disturbing the area of Corofin, [County Clare] and asking to transmit an order to Mr John Morgan, Chief Constable, Corofin, to arrest them. Also, annotation by Hardinge telling Cahill to inform the local authorities. Further, similar note by [Archdeacon Thomas Singleton, [private secretary to Hugh Percy, 3rd duke Northumberland, Dublin]. 2 items; 8pp. 27 Sep 1830-1 Oct 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/182. Three letters from Major [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Sir Francis Leveson Gower, [Chief Secretary], Dublin Castle and William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], regarding remuneration for policemen involved in bringing those to justice who attacked the brothers Doyle in Kilrush, County Clare, and cut out their tongues, offering a rising scale of remuneration. Also, memorial and letter from Lieut [Dering] Cary, Chief Constable, Kilrush, asking for a share of the reward or remuneration, and two separate letters from Matthew Barrington, [crown solicitor], Ennis, stating a jury convicted three of the persons indicted for cutting the Doyles's tongues out, and from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, to Gower, stating that four persons were apprehended for the outrage on the Doyles. 8 items; 19pp; 3 Jan 1829-22 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/299. Letter from John R Bindon, Chief Constable, Clonlara, [County Clare], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], reporting on the arrest of Darby Davourin alias Hourigan, suspected with murder of John Farrell, while stating that the approver in the case could not identify him with the murderer; also mentioning Mathias and Margaret McNamara as associated with Hourigan. Further, asking to be reimbursed for expenses. 3 items; 9pp; 29 Oct 1829-8 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/400. Letter from John Hynes, New Quay, Burrin [Burren, County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting that a planned attack by insurgents was thwarted by dragoons from Gort, [County Galway] and police under Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable]; also stating that Mr Bindon Scott was directed to give his house at Mortyclogh, County Clare to the military. 1 item; 3pp; 14 Jun 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/531. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], returning enclosed memorial from Michael Lane, labourer, Ennistymon, [County Clare], to Hugh Percy, 3rd Duke Northumberland, [Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, Dublin], referring to an attack on his wife by John and Anne Donohue, stating that Rev Archdeacon Whitty obstructed him in obtaining redress before the court. Osborne now encloses letter from Whitty,

magistrate, Kilmanaheen Glebe, [County Clare], and a copy of petty sessions proceedings when a complaint by Michael and Anne Lane and their son John was dismissed by Whitty and fellow magistrate Andrew Finucane Esq, with witnesses John Healy, Michael Madigan, Michael Devitt, and Patrick Lynch. Also, second memorial from Lane, repeating his case. 5 items; 12pp ; 13 Sep 1830-2 Nov 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/540. Letter from George Lloyd, [magistrate], Mount Catherine [Mountcatherine, County Clare], post town Castleconnel [Castleconnell, County Limerick], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], warning of a large repeal meeting planned at Killaloe [County Clare]; asking whether to interfere. 1 item; 2pp; 7 Dec 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/621. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on the killing of a woman named MacNamara at Doolin, for not fathering a child she was pregnant with on a man named Doherty; adding that the three culprits have been arrested. 1 item; 3pp; 25 Jul 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/645. Letter from Gerard Mahon, Chief Constable, Newmarket on Fergus, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], on an outrage against a farmer named Hogan. 1 item; 2pp; 17 Sep 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/658. 1 item. 3 pages: 11 Oct 1830. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], on the murder of Thomas McGrath, steward to Mr Bryan Moran, Lahinch, [County Clare], naming the suspects as two men named Mulquiney, and stating that he has arrested one person, likely a witness or accomplice.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/659. 3 items; 6 pp. Oct 1830. Three letters from Walter Morony, Chief Constable, Gort, [County Galway], on an act of intimidation against workers on a line of road between New Quay [County Clare] and Tubber. Three letters from Walter Morony, Chief Constable, Gort, [County Galway], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary] and William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on an act of intimidation against workers on a line of road between New Quay [County Clare] and Tubber [County Clare], and related attacks on Michael Kenneily, John Hynes, and Thomas Roughan, attempting to oust the current overseer of the works, McNerny.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/732. Three letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Francis Leveson Gower, [Chief Secretary], and William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], making arrangements on three occasions for magistrates to receive warrants to search for arms; one time naming magistrates Crowe, Morony, Studdert and Cox. 3 items; 4pp; 3 Jan 1829-28 Jan 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/733. Two letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Francis Leveson Gower, [Chief Secretary], and William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on the payment of rewards, one time recommending a certain Phillips whose house in Cahirea [Caherea, County Clare] was attacked (1829), a year later naming [another?] Phillips and a certain Clare. 2 items; 3pp;

CSO/RP/OR/1830/734. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], praising Townshend, and [Tomkins] Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], for identifying the

persons who plundered the Isles of Arran [Aran Islands, County Galway] of guns. 1 item; 4pp; 26 Jan 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/735. Copy affidavit by Thomas [Clair], Ballyvristane [County Clare], before Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], and [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], on an attack on him by Patrick Ahern and Michael Ahern warning him to give up his land; mentioning Mr O'Brien of Birchfield, [County Clare]. 1 item; 3pp; 2 Jan [1830].

CSO/RP/OR/1830/738. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], regarding his expenses. Also, annotation by Gregory referring to the apprehension of 'Dawson the murderer'. 1 item; 3pp; 3 Feb 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/739. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on attacks on police barracks and prospective or temporary barracks in Ballyvaughan, and Doolin, [County Clare] one of them the house of a certain [MacInerney?], another a room beside the chapel, the Doolin properties being in the ownership of Maj MacNamara. 1 item; 4pp; 16 Feb 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/740. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], recommending the removal of Mr Burton Bindon and Mr [Staunton] Cahill from the commission of the peace, giving reasons mentioning [criminal] Mr [Peter] Comyn and Sergts Blackburn, Goold. Also asking for asylum for 'a poor wretched girl...about thirteen years of age, who was brutally raped by a ruffian'. 1 item; 4pp; 9 Mar 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/741. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], asking for expenses for the intended apprehension of a certain Davoren, charged with murder at O'Brien's Bridge, [O'Briensbridge, County Clare]. 1 item; 2pp; 27 Feb 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/742. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on the guilty verdict at the assizes against three persons for 'cutting out the tongues at Dromellihy' [County Clare], mentioning information given by [Sinon] Doyle. Also, annotations by [Archdeacon] Thomas Singleton, [private secretary to Hugh Percy, 3rd duke Northumberland, Dublin], and other on Osborne's success. 2 items; 4pp; 7 Mar 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/743. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], enclosing a document combining an affidavit and a warrant for the police, signed Burton Bindon Esq, magistrate, with humorous comments discrediting Bindon. The affidavit by Mary Kelly, spinster, [Kilvertan, County Clare], describes circumstances of her abduction and rape, by John Brady and others. 2 items; 3pp. 13 Feb 1830-

CSO/RP/OR/1830/744. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on Peter Comyn being sentenced to death for burning Scotland Lodge. Also, on an outrage against a man named Murphy near Kilfenora 1 item; 4pp; 9 Mar 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/746. Letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], and [Rev] Thomas McInerney, both Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary,

Dublin Castle], regarding Honora Hoey, crown witness against William Nelson, charged with rape, and the need to protect her, with McNerny favouring sending her to Clonmel, [County Tipperary], to learn a trade. 2 items; 4pp; 12 Mar 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/747. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], enclosing report from Alexander McTavish, Constable, Ballyvaughan, [County Clare], on an attack on Thady O'Loughlin, [Glanaragha parish, County Clare], and his need for protection; adding that O'Loughlin's daughter had acted as witness against Peter Cummins. 2 items; 2pp; 12 Mar 1830-19 Mar 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/753. 5 items. 9pp. Two letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], enclosing affidavit, committal of prisoners, and letter from five magistrates, Corofin, [County Clare], regarding a case by Denis and his wife Gillan Ganly, Kihaska, County Clare, against Michael Lyons, John Crowe, Andrew Lyons and John O'Loughlin; the magistrates asking about taking bail for the first three. [Contains list of names not given in this description.] 5 items, 9 pages, 29 March 1830. See *Ennis Chronicle*, 24 March 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/757. Two letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Corofin and Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], regarding his recent illness, enclosing certificate by Dr Edward G Bunker, [Killuran, County Clare], and commenting generally on the state of the country, mentioning that 65 persons are in gaol, and complaining that magistrates often revert to bail. 22 Jun 1830-3 Jul 1830; 3 items; 6pp.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/758. 13 Jul 1830. 4 items; 7pp. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], commenting generally on the state of the county and on food prices; also, enclosing three illegal notices served to Mr Synge's labourers, James Connell, widow Burke, and Michael McCormick. Further, on an attack on [] Clare, prosecutor of the Aherns.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/759. Two letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], requesting expenses for payment of informers. Also commenting on the nomination of Mr Vesey FitzGerald, which will make a good alteration to MacNamara. 2 items; 4pp., 19 Jul 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/760. 5 Sept. 1830; 1 item, 3 pages. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], reporting generally on outrages arising from 'Terryaltism' Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting generally on outrages arising from 'Terryaltism', including an attack on a man named Collins, tenant of Counsellor White.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/766. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], copying the text of a placard by Mr Thomas Steele, as placed on the courthouse, stating it was read by hundreds of people; asking for instructions. 2 items; 7pp. 21 Oct 1830-22 Oct 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/772. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], [Kilneem, County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], asking for payment

of expenses for the apprehension of Darby Davoren, charged with murder at Six Mile Bridge [Sixmilebridge, County Clare]. 1 item; 1p. 20 Dec 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/773. Two letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], referring to a certain Ganly whose children are in Synge's school, and ensuing intimidation by persons now in gaol, supported by Fr Murphy. 2 items; 7pp. 2 Apr 1830-5 Apr 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/800. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Adelphi, Corofin, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on the murder of Michael Reidy. 1 item; 2pp. 23 Nov 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/814. Letter from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], returning enclosed letter from Francis Scanlan, bookbinder, Ennis, referring to his wife Mary, dressmaker, and to a certain Hogan who attempted to seduce Mary Scanlon's apprentices, with Osborne asserting that the letter was forged by Hogan, a poet and printer, that 'Francis Scanlon' is in fact a Mrs Edwards. 2 it

CSO/RP/OR/1830/818. Letter from Edward Synge, Carhue [Carhoo], Corofin, [County Clare], to [William Gregory, Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], reporting an outrage against John Hehir. 1 item; 2pp. items; 3pp. 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/843. Letters from [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], and Henry Townsend, Chief Constable, Ennistymon, [County Clare], to Sir Henry Hardinge, [1st Viscount Hardinge, Chief Secretary, Dublin Castle], regarding an attack on John Tierney, [Lough, County Clare] and the subsequent arrest of James Danagher. 2 items; 5pp. 19 Sep 1830-21 Sep 183.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/875. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Kilbrooke, Corofin, [County Clare], on an outrage against Thomas Clare. Letter from Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Sir Francis Leveson Gower, [Chief Secretary], Dublin Castle, enclosing letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Willbrook, Corofin, [County Clare], on an outrage against Thomas Clare, naming suspects; other outrages including those perpetrated by 'the McNamara faction'. 2 items; 4pp

CSO/RP/OR/1830/880. Letter from Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], enclosing letter and extracts of letters from three police officers on outrages, naming victims M Doyle, [County Clare], a man named Gibbons, [County Sligo], Patrick Kenny, [Ennistymon, County Clare]; naming perpetrators. 3 items; 6pp. 6 Feb 1830-9 Feb 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/882. Letter from Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], enclosing Extracts from letters of police officers in four counties; reporting on c nine outrages; naming victims as Mr Butler, Milbrook, [County Clare], John Kelly Esq, Ballyforan, [County Galway], Mr Pass, teacher, Loughrea, [County Galway], John Glynn, herd, Athlone, [County Roscommon], P Ferral, Drum, [County Roscommon], [] Mitchell, [County Sligo]. 2 items; 6pp. 6 Feb 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/883. Copy affidavits from Michael Enright, Ballard, County Clare, on his attacks on William Owen, Patrick Keane and Patrick Caher. File of letters from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis and Corofin, [County Clare], to

Major [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], enclosing copy affidavits from Michael Enright, Ballard, County Clare, on his attacks on William Owen, Patrick Keane and Patrick Caher, naming other perpetrators. [Contains list of names not given in this description.] 5 items; 14pp; 8 Feb 1830-22 Feb 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/887. 8 items; 16pp. 14 Feb 1830-25 Feb 1830. File of letters from Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], enclosing Extracts of letters from police officers reporting nine outrages; also enclosing copy letter from [Rev] Thomas Healy, [Roman Catholic] parish priest, Ennistymon, [County Clare], who had given the police the sacristy of Knockfin for their use. [Contains list of names not given in this description.]

CSO/RP/OR/1830/889. File of letters from three police officers of Counties Galway, Limerick and Clare, to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], naming victims of outrages as [] Murphy and Thomas Clare [both County Clare], naming Roger Halloran, approver, Castleconnell, [County Limerick], and regarding local opposition in Athenry, [County Galway], to [Catholic] Archbishop Kelly's choice of priest. [Contains list of names not given in this description.] 5 items; 18pp. 8 Mar 1830-14 Mar 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/890. Extracts from outrage reports by four police officers, Connacht. Letter from Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], enclosing Extracts from reports by four police officers, reporting on outrages enacted against Mr W Owen, Incuquin, [County Clare], the Doyles [County Clare], Mr Carroll, [County Clare], a certain [] Fahy, County Mayo. [Contains list of names not given in this description.] 2 items; 2pp. 22 Feb 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/896. Extracts from reports by seven police officers to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against Ganly, [County Clare], Michael Blade, County Galway, J McMahan, lock-keeper, [County Galway], Mr Cormick, County Roscommon, McMahan, [County Clare], [] Fitzgerald, [County Clare], and enclosing copy of an illegal notice against the payment of tithes, Corofin, [County Clare]. 3 items; 5pp. 25 Mar 1830-27 Mar 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/897. Letter from Henry Townsend, Ennistymon, [County Clare], and extracts of letters from seven police officers to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], reporting on outrages enacted against George Davis, [Lahinch, County Clare], McNamara, pensioner, [County Clare], [] Keenan, Gort, County Galway, the murder of a child in County Sligo, [] Cavanagh, [County Sligo], [] Warren, [County Sligo]. 3 items; 6pp 1 Apr 1830-3 Apr 1830

CSO/RP/OR/1830/901 Outrage reports from two police magistrates, Ennis, [both County Clare]. Letters from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, and [Daniel Toler] Osborne, [magistrate], Ennis, [both County Clare], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against [] Ganly, [Corofin], Owen and John Devitt, Mooghna; Warburton also mentions a certain 'unfortunate Comyn'. Naming a number of suspects. [Contains list of names not given in this description.] 5 items; 17pp 24 Mar 1830-28 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/902. Letter from William Coffey, Chief Constable, Killaloe, [County Clare], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on the arrest of John Dunlery for boat robberies. 2 items; 6pp. 4 Apr 1830-9 Apr 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/903. Copy letter from D Carey, Chief Constable, Kilrush, [County Clare], and extracts of letters from two police officers, to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against M Blighe, County Roscommon, H [Kenry], County Sligo, also including affidavit by Michael McNamara, pensioner, [Craggaknock, County Clare], in his own defence. [Contains list of names not given in this description.]3 items; 6pp 14 Apr 1830-20 Apr 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/904. Letter from William Coffey, Chief Constable, Killaloe, [County Clare], and Extracts of letters from seven police officers, to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against John Griffin, Tomgrany, [County Clare], Messrs O'Connell and Quilligine, attorneys, [Ennis, County Clare], M Kane, Portumna, County Galway, cousins named Murray, Poolneg, County Roscommon, [] Corcoran, Strokestown, County Roscommon, Mr Gillealy, Mount Cashel, County Roscommon. [Contains list of names not given in this description. 3 items; 6pp. 21 Apr 1830-23 Apr 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/905. Letter from police officers, Counties Clare and Galway, on outrages. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Adelphi, Corofin, [County Clare], and extract of a letter from another police officer, to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on an outrage against William and Thomas Woods, [County Galway], and generally on the state of western County Clare, also mentioning a certain Devit, informer, County Clare. [Contains list of names not given in this description. 2 items; 7pp. 22 Apr 1830-25 Apr 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/906. Letters from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], and Henry Townsend, Chief Constable, Ennistymon, [County Clare], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on the killing of Patrick Ward, [Mortyclough], Terence O'Brien, [Gortlecka], Richard Eagan, Kilfenora, Richard Blood, [Kilshany][all County Clare], naming suspects, and also mentioning that arms have been voluntarily handed over to Rev Fr Murphy, Corofin. [Contains list of names not given in this description.] 4 items; 12pp. 25 Apr 1830-29 Apr 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/910. File of outrage reports and extracts from six police officers, Connacht. File of letters and extracts of letters from six police officers to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on eight outrages, on the failure to execute a warrant against a certain Hanly, [County Roscommon], while including a list of four robberies in Killaloe district, [County Clare], and a report on investigations into outrages in western County Clare. [Contains list of names not given in this description. 9 items; 17pp. 1 May 1830-17 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/911. Extracts from letters of two police officers to Majort George Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on an outrage against Mr F McNamara's tenant, Doolin, County Clare, and of [Catholic] priests [Revs] Dodd and Cann competing for the parish of Bunanadden, County Sligo, causing local fights. Warburton also reports on the district of Ballinasloe and Eyrecourt, [County Galway]. 3 items; 5pp. 8 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/914. Letter from James Tabuteau, Sub-Inspector, Ennis, [County Clare], about [Daniel] O'Connell [MP] attacking him in the House of Commons. Letter from James Tabuteau, Sub-Inspector, Ennis, [County Clare], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], about [Daniel] O'Connell [MP] attacking him in the House of Commons over a claim that police are ordered to fire at persons who flee when encountered by a patrol at night, with Warburton enclosing Extracts from two orders issued to the constabulary regarding the use of firearms. 4 items; 8pp. 28 May 1830-30 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/915. Two outrage reports from County Clare. Extract of a letter from James Tabuteau, Sub-Inspector, Ennis, [County Clare], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], further on [Daniel] O'Connell [MP]'s attack on him and on magistrate O'Loughlan, [County Clare]; also, letter from John Morgan, Chief Constable, Currenrue [Corofin, County Clare], on the violent local opposition to exporting potatoes to other counties. 5 items; 13pp. 28 May 1830-31 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/917. Extracts of letters from police officers to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against persons in Corofin, County Clare, against a certain Madden, Whitegate, [County Galway], persons named Tighe and Durham, Tubberscannaran, County Sligo, and against [] Cane, tithe proctor, [Bunanadden], County Sligo. 1 item; 3pp. 26 May 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/918. Letters from two police officers, County Clare, on outrages. Letters from two police officers to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against Michael Shannon, [] Fockes, Patrick O'Donnell, Martin [Montigue], all County Clare, and the officers' exertions in preventing other illegal activities. Also enclosing two illegal threatening notices. items; 11pp. 24 May 1830-3 Jun 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/923. Two letters from Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], to William Gregory, [Under Secretary, Dublin Castle], on the need for police or military reinforcements for west County Clare, and asking legal advice on an impending riot there. 2 items; 7pp. 3 Jun 1830-7 Jun 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/924. Extract of a letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Corofin, [County Clare], and George S Lynch Esq, Duras, Kinvara, [County Galway], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on the increase of outrages in County Clare, the need for more police, and asking for instructions regarding an impending riot in Newquay, [County Clare]. 2 items; 7pp. 8 Jun 1830-10 Jun 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/925. Extracts of letters from five police officers to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against P Whelan, Killimer, County Galway], Col Jackson, Crossmolina, County Mayo, a certain Kelly and a certain Gately, [County Roscommon]. Also, letter from Walter Molony, Chief Constable, Gort, [County Galway], on local opposition to strangers buying potatoes; the distress and hunger felt especially in Feakle, [County Clare]. 3 items; 8pp. 19 Jun 1830-23 Jun 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/926. Extracts of letters from nine police officers to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on outrages enacted against Rev Gouldsbury, Boyle, County Roscommon, Messrs Woods, Cave, County

Clare, [] Naughton, [County Roscommon], on food riots in County Clare, and other thefts, burglaries and illegal notices. [Contains list of names not given in this description.] 4 items; 7pp. 3 Jun 1830-3 Jul 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/929. Letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Corofin, [County Clare], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on an outrage enacted against Thomas [Balker?], Burren, and on Thomas McInerny, Finnevarra [Finavarra, all County Clare], witness for the day [] Linnane was shot by the police. 2 items; 4pp. 17 Jul 1830-19 Jul 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/932. Copy letter from John Armitage, [Constable], Police Office, Kilrush, [County Clare], on an assault on Owen Whelan's wife, [Shragh, Drumellihiy, County Clare] who miscarried her child as a result. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1830/937, 941.] 2 items; 3pp. 10 Aug 1830-11 Aug 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/937. Letters from James Reed, Chief Constable, Boyle, [County Roscommon], to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General], Castlegar, [County Galway], on resistance to outrages given by Patrick McDermott, pensioner and by [] Madden; letter by Thomas Bulfin, Sub-Inspector, Sligo, [County Sligo], also to Warburton, on outrages enacted against men including one Sinkes, and the ensuing death of a member of the mob, [] McDonagh; also extracts of reports from four police officers on outrages enacted against [Mrs Owen Whelan], Kilrush, County Clare, Nabey Mulloy, County Leitrim, P McDermott, D Laveer, [] Cullen, Hastin Irwin, and Mr J Irwin, all County Roscommon. Also includes threatening letter with the drawing of a coffin. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1830/932, 941.]. 5 items; 12pp. 22 Aug 1830-16 Sep 1830.

CSO/RP/OR/1830/941. Two letters from J Carey, Chief Constable, Kilrush, on the rape of Bridget Whelan [Shragh, Kilrush, County Clare], and the conviction of three men. 2 items; 2pp. 6 Oct 1830-8 Oct 1830'. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1830/932, 937.]

CSO/RP/OR/1830/959. Affidavits by Francis Fahy, Cregg, Michael Henehy, Liss, Moylan Benn, Liss, [all County Galway], giving evidence against Thomas Corcoran alias Rouine of Corofin, [County Clare], suspected to be member of an unlawful society. Also, letter from P Hobart, Constable, Woodford, Loughrea, [County Galway], with commentary. items; 10pp. 4 Dec 1830-10 Dec 1830.

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► CSO/RP/OR/1831/3. Letter from Robert Armitage, Crossard, Corofin, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the murder of William Blood, magistrate, by an armed mob; also commenting on a local search for arms and the issue of oversight of the police in the district. Also letter from Armitage to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], stating that Edward Synge was fatally wounded by members of an armed gang near his house and warning of the presence of much 'confusion and excitement' in the locality. 2 items; 8pp; 22 Jan 1831-16 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/10. Letter from Rev [James] Hastings Allen, Curate of Corofin, Roxton, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an attack on Edward Synge and his servant by four men who fired three shots; stating that both men were wounded and Synge was spared the full force of a bullet due to his pocket polyglot Bible; noting Synge's local benevolence; also

reproducing a letter from Rev John Murphy, parish priest, to Patrick Donnellan, pound keeper, Beggar's Bridge, offering some disparaging remarks about Synge who appears to have impounded some cows for rent. 1 item; 4pp. 18 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/18. Letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], to [Gen] Sir Frederick Stovin, Military Secretary, Royal Hospital, [Kilmainham], Dublin, reporting on the intervention of sections of the military in a distraining matter at the town of Tulla in County Clare; remarking that 30 head of cattle found trespassing were taken to the pound; reflecting on the doubtful legality of the action. 1 item; 4pp; 27 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/21. File of documents concerning the defence of the house of Darby Markham, parish of Kilfarboy in County Clare, which came under attack from an armed mob. Includes letter from Lieut Col George Tovey, 5th Regiment of Foot, Ennistymon, County Clare, to [Gen] Sir Frederick Stovin, Military Secretary, Royal Hospital, [Kilmainham], Dublin, reporting on the attack on Markham's house by a large gang of armed insurgents; indicating that the house was knocked but the attackers were confronted by a number of neighbours and some arms recovered from them; noting that statements taken on the incident were very contradictory and stating he made a minute investigation of the matter. 5 items; 10pp; 11 Apr 1831-27 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/23. Letter from [?Andrew Bedient], County Clare, to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, drawing attention to the presence of outrage along the border between counties Clare and Galway and seeking redress; complaining that armed parties go through the country 'without any disguise' and have a large number of firearms in their possession. 1 item; 3pp; 10 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/32. Letter from Robert [Armstrong], Crossard, Corofin, [County Clare], to the Attorney General [Edward Pennefather], complaining that improper allegations were made against him by Austin Hanrahan, a bad character; alleging that Hanrahan is at the head of a 'bigoted faction' and is a friend to Father Murphy, and claiming he is the architect behind as many as 30 robberies and also rape; stating he made a statement to Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate, Ennis], and refuting the account given by Hanrahan. 3 items; 7pp; 20 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/39. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the assembly of a large body of men on the land of John Enright at Ballyallia; indicating that damage was done to a plantation on Enright's property on account of his having allegedly converted to the Protestant faith some five years since; also printed posted with cross on top headed the 'O'Connell Tribute'. 2 items; 4pp; 8 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/40. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Maj George Warburton, [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], reflecting on an attack on the dwelling of Honora Curtin of Corofin and stating his opposition to have a company of police stationed at her house; discussing the case and observing that Curtin and her family denied knowing any of the party who attacked her place; offering opinion that a man named James Moran instigated the attack, assisted by two other families. Enclosing a memorial from Honora Curtin, widow, Craggaunboy, Corofin, [County Clare], to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, requesting police protection at her place of abode following an attack on the night of 22nd of December by the Terry Alts, who were 'armed with bludgeons and loaded whips'. 3 items; 7pp; 29 Dec 1830-8 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/44. File concerning the investigation of the murder of William Blood, magistrate, of Applevale House, Corofin, in County Clare. Includes letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Adelphi, Corofin, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the murder of Blood; stating the crime was committed in the 'most horrid manner in his own back yard' and observing that having killed the magistrate, the mob plundered his house of money and arms; adding he received the news on foot of an investigation on the previous night of the abduction of a girl by a 'ruffian' named Donaghan. Also includes copy letter from Brew to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, stating that all of the gang responsible for Blood's murder are apprehended except Michael Hogan; discussing the reward raised for information and stressing the need to remove the suspicion held by the country people that such incentives are merely 'paper rewards'. Also includes two letters from Brew to Gosset discussing his investigation of an attack on the house of Rev Oliver Grace of Kilkeedy Glebe and seeking to defend his part in an inquest into the shooting of a Mr Bakey at Newquay by a party of police constables. 20 items; 59pp; 22 Jan 1831-2 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/48. File of documents concerning illegal searches for arms in County Clare and the capture of John Keough, who has turned approver. Includes letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Kilrush, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, concerning handling of John Keough, an approver, and reporting on an attack on George Robinson of Doonbeg and an instance of plundering for arms at Carrigaholt. Also includes affidavit of Keough admitting his part in an illegal search of arms at Coolnapreshane on the night of 23rd of April; providing the names of his accomplices and noting the weapons each were carrying; sworn before Brew. Also includes letter from James Bessonett, [magistrate of County Carlow], Leeson Street, [Dublin], to Gosset, offering some remarks upon the possession of arms by the lower orders in the districts of Borris and Tullow in County Carlow; seeking further guidance on the question of making a search. 5 items; 15pp. 21 Jan 1831-30 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/52. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, stating that there is no immediate appearance of a rising by the people in the surrounding country; remarking upon the occurrence of nightly meetings of the lower orders in public houses, where they 'plan who are to be plundered & who are to be murdered'. 2 items; 6pp; 3 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/53. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennistymon, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that he made a tour of the country towards Ennis for a distance of 35 miles but found no sign of outrage; stating he called at a fair at Milltown Malbay and found many are apprehensive of attacks on their property. 1 item; 4pp; 5 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/64. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Maj George Warburton, [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], calling attention to the posing of a number of handbills in the town of Ennis in connection with a public meeting on repeal of the union on the hill of Drumcliff; advising that the arms in the hands of the yeomanry corps should be taken in as these men are of doubtful loyalty; also reporting on Lawrence [Thynne], who was attacked and robbed a short time ago, who offered up information when spoken to in the Irish language; reflecting on the plunder for arms around Gort [County Galway] and Tubber, and expressing strong reservations over the conduct of Christopher Lopdell, [magistrate] in connection with

the conveyance of a weapon. Also letter from Thomas Mahon, [magistrate], Ennis, County Clare, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, on the subject of the disarmament of the Ennis corps of yeomanry. 2 items; 6pp; 11 Feb 1831-15 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/69. Letter from Augustine Butler, Foreman of the Grand Jury, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, asking for an enlargement of the mounted police constabulary in County Clare. Enclosing a memorial from the Grand Jury of County Clare to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, seeking the introduction of the Insurrection Act to the county on account of the prevalence of outrage. 2 items; 4pp; 7 Mar 1831

CSO/RP/OR/1831/75. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, relaying a claim that a consignment of arms and ammunition have been landed on the banks of the River Shannon, near Labasheeda, in County Clare; suggesting that contact be made with George Studdert, High Sheriff of Clare, to ascertain the truth of the matter; adding that agitator dressed in 'Laurels & a Green sash' has been actively campaigning for Maurice O'Connell. Enclosing letter from Thomas Steele, Milltown [Malbay], to Brew, stating he has spoken to McNamara on the question of the arms at Labasheeda and relaying the claim that they have been distributed amongst the people. 2 items; 6pp; 13 Mar 1831-15 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/82. Letter from John Read Bindon, Chief Constable, Tulla, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an investigation of an outrage committed upon Thomas Rutherford, estate manager, by between 40 and 50 armed men; stating the mob went to Rutherford's house in search of firearms and took away an old sword; also remarking that a large proportion of labourers are agitating for an increase in wages; stressing the inadequacy of night patrols and adding he is recommended for a commission of the peace. 1 item; 3pp; 11 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/83. Letter from Daniel Toler Osborne, police magistrate of Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the inquest of the murder of five policemen; remarking that otherwise certain armed parties are going about the countryside 'swearing the Peasantry & dispossessing the occupiers of small farms'; also stating that some illegal searches for arms have occurred. Enclosing copy of coroner's inquest on the deceased police constables; examination made by Thomas Ivers, coroner, at Ennistymon. 2 items; 8pp; 6 Apr 1831-14 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/90. File of documents arising from the need for coordinated action between the police and military in County Clare. Includes letter from Maj Gen] Sir John Byng, [Commander of the Troops in Ireland], Royal Hospital, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, advising that Maj George Warburton [Inspector General of Police in Connaught] join with Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot [assistant adjutant general] at Ennis in quelling the lawless proceedings that are taking place in County Clare; also commenting upon the state of affairs in counties Limerick and Galway; also underscoring the utility of carrying out a search for arms amongst the general population. 5 items; 12pp; 28 Apr 1831-May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/91. Letter from Burton Bindon, landlord, Burren, [County Clare], to Baron Twyll, [Private Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant], stating he has made application to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, seeking a measure of support for his son who is exposed to the 'ravages' now apparent in County Clare; complaining

of getting no reply to his communication and insisted he has made every effort to resist the incursions of the disaffected; remarking he has come under severe pressure to prevent his collection of provisions and conveying details of intimidation against labouring men and also the release of cattle into grass lands. Also letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], to Gosset, referring to the admission of a lieutenant of the 28th Regiment [of Foot], stationed at Curranroe, to the commission of the peace; also commenting on the means of protection for Bindon in the immediate neighbourhood. 3 items; 6pp; 24 Apr 1831-3 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/93. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, discussing the case for accepting John Keough as an approver under the crown; stating that Keough has been identified as one of those who took part in an attack on the house of Francis Brew; noting also he has received information from Halloran in connection with the case; adding that information has emerged on John McGrath who was behind the 'cutting the tongues out of the Doyles' in January 1830; noting that Keogh has been sent to Dublin. 2 items; 12pp; 10 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/94. Letter from Maj Thomas Ryan, 50th Regiment [of Foot], Sixmilebridge, [County Clare], to [Gen] Sir Frederick Stovin, Military Secretary, Royal Hospital, [Kilmainham], Dublin, reporting that he was with the party that arrested six men in connection with the murder of Michael Maloney on 20th of April, and also took up another man on Sunday night; affirming that all were sent to Newmarket [on Fergus] for examination; noting however, that just Michael Hennesey was retained for the crime and is now in Ennis gaol; discussing the sense of fear that exists amongst those who were witnesses to the crime. 1 item; 4pp; 3 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/95. File of documents arising from an investigation of the murder of five policemen at Toovaherra in County Clare. Includes letter from Lieut Col George Tovey, 5th Regiment [of Foot], Ennistymon, County Clare, to [Gen] Sir Frederick Stovin, Military Secretary, [Royal Hospital, Kilmainham], Dublin, reporting he has apprehended Thomas Sullivan and John Sullivan in connection with the murder of the policemen on 4th of April; explaining the method adopted by the police to locate the culprits and praising the contribution of Townsend and MacNamara. 4 items; 10pp; 9 Apr 1831-1 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/98. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a 'voluntary declaration' from Michael Hennesey, [Cratloe Cross], in connection with the murder of Michael Maloney on 28th of April; outlining the circumstances behind the shooting of Maloney and stressing he was forced to join the guilty party; sworn before Brew and Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate]. 2 items; 6pp; 23 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/99. Letter from Burton Bindon, magistrate, Burren, Curranroe, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, relaying details of an instance of intimidation against the owner of a boat laden with potatoes at New Quay. 1 item; 3pp; 26 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/101. Letter from Matthew Barrington, [crown solicitor], Ennis, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on his interrogation of witnesses in several cases to be tried in the region; noting that a number of persons are charged with 'turning up land' and seeking to establish in law that such is a transportable offence; indicating that a number of approvers will be secured from

amongst the country people but emphasising they must be protected; asking for permission for leave for John Kiely, Chief Constable, [County Tipperary], who he asks should be sent to Limerick to privately assist with an investigation. 2 items; 6pp; 26 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/111. Two letters from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], reporting on the destruction of two huts occupied by local herdsmen in the employment of Hayes. Two letters to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the state of his new district and stressing his determination to take decisive action against all offenders; noting the destruction of two huts occupied by local herdsmen in the employment of Hays and also trespassing on a section of his mountain land. 2 items; 4pp; 11 Jun 1831-12 Jun 1831.

SO/RP/OR/1831/123. Two letters from Matthew Barrington, [crown solicitor], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the proceedings of the assizes of County Clare; noting that two persons were charged with the murder of William Blood, magistrate, and detailing a number of others charged with robbery and house breaking; also referring to the conviction of a man for an attack on Simon Doyle in December 1829. 2 items; 6pp; 18 Jul 1831-19 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/124. Letter from [Maj Gen] Sir John Byng, [Commander of the Troops in Ireland], Royal Hospital, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a letter from Maj Thomas Ryan, 50th Regiment [of Foot], Sixmilebridge, [County Clare], stating the desire of a number of respectable farmers in the surrounding parish to act as constables; stressing the value of such men in helping to suppress outrage and in aiding peace in the neighbourhood. 2 items; 6pp; 24 Jun 1831-25 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/126. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that he is informed that five suspects in the murder of a number of policemen at Doolin, County Clare, have escaped to America; accusing a local magistrate, of giving the suspects certificates of good character prior to their sailing out of the bay of Galway, and remarking upon a general disinclination of magistrates in that locality to pursue men accused of outrage; asking for an enquiry by Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate]. 1 item; 4pp; 22 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/128. Letter from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an affray at the fair of [O'Briensbridge] on 25th of July; noting that the Terry Alt system is at present subdued. 1 item; 2pp; 27 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/129. File of reports and enclosures from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], chiefly on the subject of outrage. Includes letter from Browne to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the attempted burning of the lodge of Rev William Butler, Doon, Broadford; noting the fire was extinguished by a number of soldiers of the 74th Regiment; also referring to the imposition of unlawful oaths in the neighbourhood. Also includes letter from Browne to Gosset, reporting that near the whole hay crop of George McDonnell, near Broadford, was thrown into the water by a band of country people; adding that a man and woman were apprehended by the police. Also includes copy of threatening notice sent to William Bentley, [magistrate], warning against over charging for his meadow pasture, signed by Terry Alt. 8 items; 20pp; 9 Aug 1831-[20] Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/130. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Kilrush, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the destruction of a field of oats belonging to John Hickey of Killard on Friday 12th of August; adding he has made investigation without success and has offered a reward of £10 for assistance. 1 item; 2pp; 15 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/133. Letter from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that two soldiers of the 14th Regiment were attacked by 20 men whilst travelling from Limerick to Broadford on Saturday 17th of September; noting that one of the men sustained 'much hurt' and was taken to the regimental hospital in the city of Limerick. 1 item; 3pp; 19 Sep 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/138. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Kilrush, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the continuation of 'faction fighting at fairs & markets' and discerning that now 'more clanship' appears to exist than was formally the case; remarking that some lives are lost on account of the brawling but the existence of such faction behaviour is helping to break up combinations; adding he continues his search for the murderers of Denis McGrath. 1 item; 3pp; 2 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/139. Letter from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an attack on the house of Patrick Foley at Castlebank on 4th of October; remarking that about 6 or 8 men were involved and Foley's collar bone was broke in the incident; indicating that Foley's attacker warned him to discharge two strangers now in his workforce; also noting another similar incident and remarking upon an attack on two men working on the census outside Limerick. 1 item; 3pp; 8 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/143. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, discussing his investigation of the taking of the firearms of Mr Burke of the barony of Leitrim in County Galway; revealing that he enquired of [Walter] Moloney, Chief Constable, Gort, as to whether Burke might have his arms returned, especially as the owner 'had made no attempt to defend them'. 1 item; 4pp; 23 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/144. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Kilrush, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on a number of dwellings in the vicinity of Spancill Hill over the past night; stating the properties were targeted by armed insurgents in search of arms and several persons were beaten; indicating that none of the party responsible have been yet identified. 1 item; 3pp; 26 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/146. Two letters from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an arson attack on a small unoccupied cottage at Lough Hill near then police station of Ardnacrusha; also detailing an attack on the household of John McCarty, a weaver, who lives about three miles from the town of Limerick; indicating the attack was made by McCarty's own son and daughter, and in the melee he stabbed his son, who later died of his wounds; also relaying the verdict of the inquest by local magistrates. 2 items; 5pp. ; 1 Oct 1831-7 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/147. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Kilrush, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on the dwelling of John Hannon of Breaffa [Breaghva] by insurgents in search of arms; relaying details of Hannon's claimed defence of his person and indicating that he believes the account is nothing other than an 'invention' to enable Hannon to impress his landlord, Mr Hickman. 1 item; 3pp; 2 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/148. Letter from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that he prevented a large group of persons from taking part in a faction fight at Broadford; indicating he had a report that some of the participants would be armed and assembled a suitable force of police to keep the peace; also stating that a man was arrested in possession of a number of ballad sheets, the content of which expresses an apposition to payment of tithes. Enclosing four printed ballads with titles such as the 'Roman Bull of Woolenrange'. 5 items; 7pp. 30 Sep 1831-4 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/150. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Kilrush, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, seeking guidance on how to respond to an offer of surrender from a man named Linchy who was part of the gang who 'cut the tongues out of the two Doyles' in December 1829; remarking the man wishes to be accepted as an approver; stating he has named John McGrath the ringleader in that atrocity; adding that McGrath and his son were acquitted by the court, not being identified by more than one of the Doyle family; insisting that McGrath is behind much of the outrage that disturbs the peace of the region. 1 item; 3pp; 5 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/153. Letter from George Browne, Chief Constable, Killaloe [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that threatening notices have been circulated in the area and observing that opposition to tithes is gathering pace. Enclosing a threatening notice addressed to William Leane and 'blind' Carroll warning them to leave their places of dwelling on pain of death, signed by 'Leady Cleare'. Also enclosing copy threatening notice to John Kelly to quit the townland of Killinakulla [Kilmoculla], also signed by Lady Clare. 3 items; 4pp. 6 Dec 1831-8 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/164. Letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], discussing the extent of the military presence in the vicinity of Curranroe in response to a 'very exaggerated statement' from Burton Bindon. 1 item; 1pp; 3 May 1831

CSO/RP/OR/1831/166. Letter from [Capt Burton] MacNamara, [Commander of the Coast Guard], Milltown Malbay, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that the village of Kilmurry was visited by a large group of armed men in search of arms; warning of the harmful intent of the country people and seeking the presence of a military force. Also letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], stressing that troops could not be sent to the region around Kilmurry 'until after the Election' and stressing the advantages offered by a base at Doonbeg. 2 items; 5pp; 18 Apr 1831-3 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/167. Letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief

Secretary's Office], expressing resistance to sending a troop of cavalry to a place [unnamed] suggested by the magistrates of County Roscommon; stressing they should be satisfied with having detachments at Athleague and Brideswell. 1 item; 1pp; 3 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/169. Letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, acknowledging receipt of warrant to enable a search to be made for concealed arms in the region; also copy of warrant giving the names of nine persons authorised to make search for arms; signed by Maj George Warburton, Inspector General of Police, and Arbuthnot. 2 items; 5pp; 20 May 1831-26 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/170. Letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], to [Gen] Sir Frederick Stovin, Military Secretary, Royal Hospital, [Kilmainham], Dublin, reporting on the assembly of a body of troops at Ballynacally for the purpose of searching for a number of suspects who were concerned in an attack on the military and police on the 8th of May; outlining the area of their search which included some islands at the mouth of the River Fergus; remarking that a planned search for arms could not be undertaken due to a lack of a warrant and asking that the same be forwarded without delay; also enclosing a list of magistrates to whom he asks the warrants be sent. 2 items; 5pp; 24 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/173. File of documents arising from a complaint by John Moroney of Ballaghboy in County Clare over alleged maltreatment by the police constabulary. Includes letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Maj George Warburton, [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], reporting on the complaint of Moroney who alleges he was wounded by a police bayonet while drinking in the public house of Patrick Sullivan in Corrofin and also taken prisoner; insisting on the day in question he had a warrant for the arrest of Augustine Harrahan, and the incident complained of took place after the police had been subjected to a concerted attack by the country people drinking in Sullivan's public house; adding the police were forced to make a strong defence against most outrageous conduct; alleging that a number of other incidents of violence took place in the vicinity of Sullivan's establishment. 3 items; 9pp: 20 Jan 1831-24 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/176. Letter from [Maj Gen] Sir John Byng, [Commander of the Troops in Ireland], Royal Hospital, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to a report from the commanding officer at Scariff in County Clare on the subject of the surrender of arms [report not present]. 1 item; 1pp; 30 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/177. Letter from [Maj Gen] Sir John Byng, [Commander of the Troops in Ireland], Royal Hospital, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a letter from Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot, [assistant adjutant general], Ennis, [County Clare], calling for the immediate dispatch of warrants to search for concealed arms; referring to a planned search of some local islands and expressing disappointment at the 'frequent and continual absence' of Maj George Warburton [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], whose presence is essential during the present season of disturbance. Also letter from Arbuthnot to James Radford, Commander, 'HMS Nimrod', Foynes Island, Shanagolden, [County Limerick], requesting some assistance in the search of the islands at the junction of the rivers Fergus and Shannon; stressing they are seeking to find a number of known offender and also those

in possession of arms; proposing that a number of boats be made available and some members of the coast guard assist in the search. 3 items; 8pp. 23 May 1831-25 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/178. Letter from [Maj Gen] Sir John Byng, [Commander of the Troops in Ireland], Royal Hospital, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a letter from Maj [J] Crabbe, 74th Regiment, Tulla, [County Clare], reporting on an incursion into a nearby chapel by a number of armed men who were seeking to find a man named Sullivan McHogan; remarking they left firing some shots and gave 'three cheers for Lady Alt'; also noting efforts to protect Samson's dwelling and commenting upon the presence of arms and gunpowder in the locality. 2 items; 6pp; 23 May 1831-27 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/179. Letter from [Maj Gen] Sir John Byng, [Commander of the Troops in Ireland], Royal Hospital, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to a report from Maj Ryan of the 50th Regiment stationed at Sixmilebridge, County Clare, on the arrest of B Vandeleur [report not present]. Also letter from [Gen] Sir Frederick Stovin, Military Secretary, Royal Hospital, [Kilmainham], Dublin, to Gosset, concerning the deployment of a troop of dragoons to ensure the safety of voters at the election of Wexford. 2 items; 3pp. 19 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/181. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, acknowledging receipt of a memorial from Edward Quin, Timothy Howard and John Caher, and reporting that the three were arrested for 'outrageous' behaviour and attacking the police in the public house of Patrick Sullivan in Corrofin; also noting that John Moroney of Ballaghboy was implicated in the trouble and reflecting on the murder of William Blood, magistrate. Also including memorial of Quin, Howard and Caher, to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, seeking an enquiry into the circumstances of their case. 2 items; 7pp. 5 Jan 1831-27 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/182. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on the shooting of a man named Beakey by the police at New Quay on 15th of February 1831; stating that a memorial was got up on the matter by Maurice O'Connell, MP, and details a concerted attempt to undermine his work to detect and punish crime in the region; stressing the exertions he has made to track down those who conspired in the attack on Edward Synge and asks that reference be made to the Attorney General [Francis Blackburne]. 1 item; 4pp. 10 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/185. File of documents concerning **an affray in the public house of Patrick Sullivan in Corrofin, County Clare, between members of the police constabulary and the country people.** Includes letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], offering an account of the disturbances that took place in Corrofin on the evening of 22nd of December 1830; insisting the actions of the police were legitimate and the force asserted on the occasion was fully necessary; observing with surprise that the fine placed on the perpetrators was 'collected like the O'Connell tribute'; also discussing a number of other local outrages. Also includes letter from William Fitzgerald, magistrate, Adelphi, County Clare, to Brew, explaining his failure to attend the trial of the accused in the Corrofin case; alluding to having to entertain at home 'a shooting party' and insisting that he is fully behind the proceedings and prosecution; stressing it is

important to ensure that a timely trial takes place to serve the ends of justice and to show the people that the police 'will be supported'. 4 items; 11pp; 23 Dec 1830-10 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/186. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare], to Robert Armstrong, referring to a letter from [Maj] George Warburton, [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], in connection with the authority required to make a search for arms; emphasising that a letter from the Chief Secretary was based on a mistaken assumption and that no action can be taken without the Lord Lieutenant's warrant. 3 items; 10pp; 29 Jul 1831-28 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/187. Letter from Richard W Greene, law officer, [Dublin], to [Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary], discussing a complaint by a Mr Hickey against Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, [County Clare]; raises some doubts over the accuser's case but declaring it as 'extremely incorrect' of Brew to hold an inquest 'where his son was a party charged'. 1 item; 2pp. 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/201. Letter from Pierse S Creagh, magistrate, Rathbaun, Burren, [County Clare], to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, conveying details of an outrage and robbery of the house of Lawrence Thynne of the barony of Burren on 10th of January 1831; enclosing statement of Thynne, John Redden, Katherine McGrath and others, outlining the extent of losses following the attack, estimated at £475 0s 9d. 2 items; 8pp. 10 Jan 1831-11 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/218. File of documents consisting of outrage reports for the County Clare for the first part of 1831: including reports and letters from magistrates and chief constables of police, mainly to the Chief Secretary's Office. Includes letter from Francis G Morony, [magistrate], Milltown Malbay, reporting an attack on a new dwelling built by Capt Scott at Dunbeg [Doonbeg]; lamenting at the increase in house and highway robbery and noting the large number unable to find employment in the district. Also includes letter from Maj George Warburton, [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], Ennis, reporting on an attack on Burton Bindon [Curranroe, County Clare] and on the heightening tensions around the coming election; noting that a deputation left the district 'to bring down O'Connell's son' and others have been extracting oaths against a vote for Sir Edward O'Brien. Also includes report from Capt Charles Higgins, 56th Regiment [of Foot], O'Brien's Bridge [O'Briensbridge], indicating that a large concourse of the peasantry assembled to 'turn back' a portion of ground that had been earlier tampered with in the district of Ross; observing they carried out the work of restoration under the direction of Rev Vaughan, parish priest. Also includes letter from Daniel Toler Osborne, police magistrate of Ennis, remarking that 'Nothing can be more deplorable than the state of things here', lamenting the level of control that the peasantry has assumed and their inclination to carry out outrage; also noting he found County Galway very disturbed. Also includes some threatening notices. 118 items; 297pp. 11 Jan 1831-2 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/219. File of documents concerning applications for military aid for County Clare. Also includes memorial from the magistrates of the parish of Feakle, Scariff, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, calling for the establishment of a military force to curtail the 'spread of insurrection'; stressing that such is necessary for the 'protection of life and property'. Also includes letter from William Scott, Knoppogue Castle, Newmarket on Fergus, to [Thomas Philips] Vokes, [chief magistrate of police, Limerick], suggesting that Quin in the barony of Bunratty Upper is a suitable

place for a military barracks for the expected troops; stressing it is located on the road to Tulla, a place where 'a great many outrages' have occurred over recent weeks. 14 items; 39pp. 22 Feb 1831-12 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/221. File of documents concerning obstacles to letting of land owned by John Lopdell in the baronies of Tulla Upper and Burren in County Clare due to disaffection. Includes letter from John Lopdell, Hibernian Hotel, [Dublin], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on problems on his lands in the baronies of Tulla Upper and Burren in County Clare; stating the insurgents are intent upon possessing the former lands and have used intimidation to deter interest in the latter; admitting his only hope is government aid. Also includes printed notice advertising the lands of Fahyhallowan and Bouleevin [Bouleevin] in County Clare, to be let by John Lopdell of Loughrea [County Galway]. 5 item; 12pp. 18 Feb 1831-6 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/226. Letter from [Thomas Philips] Vokes, [chief magistrate of police], Limerick, County Limerick, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on his intention to travel to a disturbed part of County Clare and discussing the issue of preventing the disaffected people of Clare from crossing the River Shannon into Limerick. Enclosing letter from Lieut William Edward Brady, Chief Constable, Castleconnell, County Limerick, reporting on a serious altercation between the country people and the authorities in County Clare; remarking that large number of arrests were made from the assembled crowd near the town of Ross and six persons killed; adding that a complaint has been raised against [Capt Michael] Martin, magistrate of Killaloe, for failure to discharge his official duty. 2 items; 6pp. 2 May 1831-3 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/251. File of documents concerning a meeting of insurgents at the ruins of O'Brien's Castle outside Tulla in County Clare. Includes letter from Maj [J] Crabbe, 74th Regiment, Tulla, to an unnamed recipient, reporting on the presence of from four to five hundred men in the vicinity of the ruins of O'Brien's Castle, which is located between Crusheen and Tulla; noting that about 30 of the assembled persons were armed and all were under the leadership of a man dressed in woman's clothing; stating he and a company of his regiment gave chase but was unsuccessful in apprehending any of their number. Also includes affidavit of James Camaan of the parish of Feakle stating that on the morning of the 2nd of May a number of insurgents visited his dwelling and warned him to not to concede any ground to [John] Lopdell; adding they forced him to deliver a notice to his master: also includes threatening notice signed by lady Clare. 4 items; 10pp. 2 May 1831-4 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/259. File of documents concerning the investigation of the murder of five policemen on the coast of County Clare. Includes copy letter from HB White, Inspecting Commander, Galway, [County Galway], to [Sir] James Dombrian, Inspector General of the Coast Guard, reporting on events surrounding the murder of five policemen between Doolin and Ballyvaughan in County Clare; recommending for their protection that two witnesses, William Tuckey and John Halloran, be removed elsewhere for their own safety. Also includes letter from Capt Jonathan Christian RN, assistant inspector general of the coastguard, Coast Guard Office, Dublin, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, indicating that Tuckey and Halloran have been given a new place of abode at Rush in County Dublin. 5 items; 8pp; 13 May 1831-23 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/261. File of documents concerning trial of suspects and plans to expedite transportation from County Clare. Includes letter from Matthew Barrington,

[crown solicitor], Ennis, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, indicating that one of the murderers of Sgt Robinson was sentenced to execution and the 'Chancellor of the Exchequer of the Terry Alts, was convicted of collecting money' to aid those brought before the court; adding another was convicted for a 'spiteful robbery' and the person charged with the murder of [William] Blood [late magistrate] will be tried on Monday. Also includes copy letter from Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, to [Dr] Edward Trevor, [superintendent and medical inspector of convicts], urging steps 'to make the punishment of transportation more impressive'; proposing that convicts be moved immediately by a daily sailing from the River Shannon and that no communication whatever be allowed with their relatives and friends. 8 items; 23pp, 29 May 1831-29 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/270. Letter from Piers S Creagh, magistrate, Rathbaun, Ennistymon, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that a number of suspects escaped on a ship that left Galway harbour for America, including some who are implicated in the murder of five policemen between Doolin and Ballyvaughan in County Clare; cautioning that another ship is due to depart taking the 'remnant' of those involved in recent outrages; recommending that a 'strict' search be made for offenders before any vessel is permitted to depart. Also copy letter from Gosset to Creagh revealing that the Lord Lieutenant has not the power to have the ship searched. 3 items; 5pp. 5 Jul 1831-9 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/272. Petition of the Roman Catholic clergymen resident in County Clare, to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, requesting that a general pardon be given to persons who have participated in the unrest across the county; stressing the pardon is not intended for murderers or robbers but is meant for those who were caught up in the spirit of the disorder; pointing out that a great many people are living in fear of arrest, numbers have abandoned their dwellings at night and some are even sick; observing that a measure of absolution extended by the Irish government would help restore confidence to the people. [Contains list of names not given in this description]. 1 item; 4pp. c26 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/273. Letter from George Studdert, High Sheriff of County Clare, Clonderalaw, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the circumstances around the planned execution of two offenders at Corofin and on the general state of the county gaol; noting the institution is well regulated and returns are in order. Enclosing report from John D'Arcy, gaoler, Ennis, to Studdert, explaining the debacle that resulted from failing to secure the aid of the police to make a gallows for the execution of two offenders at Corofin; noting his remonstrance with [Walter] Molony, Chief Constable. 2 items; 7pp. 13 Jul 1831-18 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/276. Letter from Dillon Croker, Brigade Major of yeomanry, Cork, [County Cork], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the tranquillity of County Clare but noting the consensus amongst those charged with law enforcement that resistance will again resume upon the collection of rents and taxes; remarking on the general inclination to offer 'private information' shown by the country people and noting the apprehension of a murderer who was on a vessel on the River Shannon; remarking also on the fitness of local yeomanry and mentioning a planned inspection by Sir Edward O'Brien [4th baronet] of Dromoland [Castle]. 1 item; 4pp. 2 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/277. File of documents concerning the resumption of outrage on the west coast of Ireland. Includes copy letter from Capt Jonathan Christian RN, assistant inspector general of the coastguard, Coast Guard Office, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the boarding of the brig 'Agness' in the bay of Galway by the police and members of the coast guard; stating that the vessel was bound for America and 'several Terry Alts were taken' in connection with recent outrages, including the person charged with the murder of [William] Blood [late magistrate]. Also includes copy letter from Lieut [William] Stern, RN, Inspecting Commander of the Coast Guard, Ballycastle near Killala, County Mayo, to [Sir James Dombtrain], Inspector General of the Coast Guard, reporting on the appearance of outrage in the parish of Kilcummin; observing the country people are once again meeting at night to the sound of a horn, and noting their interference with corn and doing damage to property; also noting that much of the disturbances are linked to a failure to comply with a notice warning against making payments of corn to the local priest. Also includes letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Gosset, expressing some reservations over the handling of suspects by Pierse S Creagh, magistrate, who were allegedly connected with the murder of five policemen between Doolin and Ballyvaughan in County Clare; with copy of queries on case. [Contains list of names not given in this description]. 17 items; 37pp. 30 Jun 1831-17 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/279. Letter from William Colthurst, Chief Magistrate, Tulla, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the successful apprehension of a suspect in the murder of Craigs Steward on 29th of April 1831; expressing his satisfaction at the assistance given by the Newgrove yeomanry cavalry. 1 item; 2pp. 1 Aug 1831.

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CSO/RP/OR/1831/282. Letter from William Colthurst, Chief Magistrate, Tulla, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the burning of a stack of turf belonging to Rev William Butler of Doon near Broadford; noting the turf was outside a gate house which had lately been occupied by the steward John McKay; remarking that McKay prosecuted one of those who stole firearms from his dwelling and warned him to come out of his present employment; adding he and his wife now wish to leave the country for Scotland and recommending that aid be given for that object. 1 item; 3pp. 15 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/287. File of documents concerning the controversy surrounding the discharge of John Jennings from police custody by Pierse S Creagh, magistrate of County Clare. Includes letter from from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the enquiry over Creagh's decision to release Jennings, a principle suspect in the murder of five policemen between Doolin and Ballyvaughan [Toohavara] in County Clare; observing that Creagh made no reference to the magistrates who ordered the prisoner's apprehension but it appears that some degree of consent was given by Henry Townsend [Chief Constable, Ennistymon and Tulla]; adding that Jennings has now embarked for America. Also includes an abstract of facts relating to the case against Creagh: remarking that Creagh made a personal decision to discharge Jennings 'on his

own authority' and without Townsend's knowledge or without consulting Francis McNamara, magistrate; noting that Jennings is a foster brother to Creagh and both live in close proximity to one another; remarking that Creagh made no effort to have the suspect re-apprehended following the production of a fresh warrant; adding that Jennings subsequently 'made his escape to America'. 33 items; 93pp 23 Aug 1831-9 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/292. Letter from [William] Colthurst, Chief Magistrate, Tulla, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a 'Detailed Report of outrages for the month of August 1831'; with table indicating date, nature and details of incident, most of which fall into the category of theft, burnings, posting of threatening notices and the administration of unlawful oaths. Also copy of a threatening notice from the Terry Alts to William Bentley of Broadford warning against increasing rent and employment of a steward named McNamara. 3 items; 5pp.1 Sep 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/293. Letter from [William] Colthurst, Chief Magistrate, Tulla, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on the house of William Dowdall near Caher; stating they party, one of whom was dressed in ladies attire, 'beat him very much' and fired shots at some of his men; noting the reluctance of the victim or his him men to testify against those who committed the crime. 1 item; 2pp. 26 Sep 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/299. Letter from [William] Colthurst, Chief Magistrate, Tulla, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a 'Detailed Report of outrages for September 1831'; with table indicating date, nature and details of incident, most of which fall into the category of assault of the posting of threatening notices; also attached copy of a threatening notice from the 'Land of Clare' to Thomas Caulfield warning him to quit his property. 3 items; 5pp. 28 Sep 1831-1 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/329. File of documents arising from a complaint against [Ringrose] Drew, magistrate of Tomgraney in County Clare. Includes letter from [William] Colthurst, Chief Magistrate, Tulla, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the character of [Ringrose] Drew, local magistrate of Tomgraney, in response to a complained from [Michael] Murphy; remarking that he is unaware of any inconsistency in the conduct of Drew and answering several charges made against him. Also includes letter from Murphy, 56 College Green, Dublin, to Gosset, calling for the removal of Drew from the bench of magistrates; describing Drew as a hearth money collector who goes about 'Constantly armed' with the support of the police; offering an extensive narrative on the behaviour of Drew, focussing especially on his aversion to Rev McNamara, Roman Catholic parish priest of Tomgraney, who received a nominal Protestant, named Watson into the Catholic church; alleging that Drew vented his anger against McNamara in connection with an alleged misuse of timber from a fallen tree and in regard to an eviction of a tenant under the priest. 4 items; 15pp. 1 Dec 1831-20 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/391. File of documents arising from the disturbed state of the region around Miltown Malbay in County Clare. Includes copy letter from Capt [Burton] MacNamara RN, inspecting commander of the coast guard at Miltown Malbay, reporting on the 'disturbed' state of the country and the nightly assemblies of people; indicating that he is of opinion that the coast guards at Lough Donnell should be withdrawn to

strengthen the force at Seafield and Killard stations; also observing that training in use of arms is taking place amongst the lower orders at Doonbeg, likely with a view to making an attack on the coast guard. 4 items; 8pp. 22 Mar 1831-26 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/399. Letter from James Dombain, Comptroller General of the water guards in Ireland, Coast Guard Office, Dublin, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing copy letters from Capt [Burton] MacNamara RN, inspecting commander of the coast guard, Seafield, County Clare, and Thomas Mundy, coast guard station, Killard, reporting on the discovery of a party of Terry Alts. 3 items; 4pp. 28 Mar 1831-2 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/431. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on a 'very considerable improvement' in the surrounding district; emphasising that the establishment of peace was brought about by a strong police presence and the 'conviction of some of the Ringleaders'; observing that fences are rebuilt, cattle have been returned to pasture and the need for police protection at private houses is rapidly diminishing. 1 item; 3pp 17 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/436. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a statement of outrages committed in the district up to the week ending 16th of July; detailing the firing of a gunshot into the abode of Blake, herdsman to Mr Powell; detailing the beating of John Crow, herdsman to Mr Quinlan and the malicious injury to sheep belonging to Ryan; also reporting on the escape of Jones, who is wanted for murder, from the soldiers of the 50th Regiment under Major Ryan at Cratloe. 2 items; 3pp 20 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/442. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on the houses of Michael Sheehan and Thomas McMahan at Clonagh [Cloona], apparently because the victims had served threatening notices against their master Mr Kelly, contrary to the wishes of the people. 1 item; 3pp. .10 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/452. File of letters from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, reporting on the intimidation of workers, theft, burglary and posting of threatening notices. Includes letter from Dyas to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an attack on the labourers employed by Gloster of [Rinnamona] by an armed party 'dressed in woman's clothes'; noting the assailants continued to an adjacent farm where they drove away men engaged in pulling beans; observing that Gloster has been demanding heavy charges for land and for potato ground and this is the reason for the attack in question. Also statement of outrages committed in the district of Newmarket on Fergus; detailing an attack on the house of Kelly at Clonagh [Cloona] for laying off some labourers, the posting of a threatening notice at the homestead of Ready, and an armed attack on the dwelling of Sheehan. Also letter from Dyas reporting on the appearance of two armed men who threatened the herdsman of Mr Donoghue of Cratloe; noting they later took a gun from a publican called Ryan at Cratloe Cross; adding that 10 police officers are now in accommodation provided by Donoghue. 4 items; 9pp. 5 Sep 1831-18 Sep 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/466. Two letters from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary,

reporting on an incursion by a three men 'disguised in woman's clothes' into the household of Thomas Halvey of Cratloe; remarking the intruders came in search of firearms and finding none they beat the inhabitants 'severely'; observing that a couple of suspects are now in detention in the gaol of Ennis. 2 item; 4pp. 23 Nov 1831-28 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/467. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on a memorial from Tithe MacMahon of Sixmilebridge who complained of unfair treatment by local magistrates; dismissing his grievance as being unfounded with the observation that it was 'not the first instance of this man abusing Respectable People in order to extort money from them'. Also copy memorial from MacMahon and original order for his appearance at the petty sessions of Sixmilebridge to answer a charge of insulting a Mr Bridgeman. 3 items; 5pp. 4 Nov 1831-29 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/468. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the theft of a gun from the dwelling house of Dennis [Carney] who lives near Bunratty on 11th of November; noting the attackers were dressed in woman's clothes and were armed. 1 item; 2pp. 13 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/476. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an attack on the dwelling of Thomas MacMahon of Stonehall by an armed party in disguise; stating the assailants demanded he reemploy a man previously dismissed and to raise the wages of other workmen; also reporting a visit by armed men to the house of John MacMahon who repelled them without any injury to himself; also noting an attack on the house of Patrick Kelly and a demand that he dismiss a particular employee and increase the wages of others. 1 item; 3pp. 10 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/477. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate of police, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an attack on a house belonging to Mr Arthur at Meelick by a party in disguise and armed; stating they assaulted the occupant, Cary, and ordered him to leave the place immediately; indicating that three men have been arrested for the crime, all of whom were previously in the employment of Arthur. 1 item; 3pp. 15 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/483. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting his attendance at an inquest on the body of Michael Dillon at Ballynacally who was murdered last night; observing that the murder took place close to the place that Donnelly was executed for the killing of Sgt Robinson; stating the dead man was a crown approver in the Robinson case and was likely eliminated by friends of the perpetrator; adding a number of persons have now been apprehended for the crime. 1 item; 4pp. 30 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/557. Letter from William Vesey Fitzgerald, [2nd Baron FitzGerald and Vesey], Lord Lieutenant of County Clare, Tulla, County Clare, to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], expressing some anxiety over the possible withdrawal of Capt J Vignoles [Chief Magistrate] from County Clare; emphasising the value of Vignoles's service to the region which has been much disturbed. 4 items; 16pp. 8 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/591. File of documents in connection with an aggravated attack on Patrick Glynn of the parish of Tenagh [Tynagh] in County Galway and the murder of John Glynn, steward to Pierce Creagh, at Dangan in County Clare. Includes affidavit of Peggy Glynn of the parish of Tenagh outlining the circumstances of the attack upon her brother, Patrick Glynn, and accusing Michael Kelly, John Kelly, John Burns, James Horan and Patrick Lanty of being responsible for the atrocity. Also includes letter from Patrick Molony, Cragg, Tulla, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, stating that James Molony has been arrested as the principle suspect in the murder of John Glynn on the 29th of April; stressing that a month was given over to the apprehension of the prisoner. 5 items; 12pp. 16 May 1831-31 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/645. Letter from Lieut Richard Harris, [North Cork Militia], Fountain, Ennis, County Clare, to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], drawing attention to the possession of firearms by the lower orders and suggesting the utility of making a search; also referring to the attack on Edward Synge and warning of the dangers of an armed peasantry. 1 item; 3pp. 17 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/681. Letter from Ringrose Drew and Hugh B Huleatt, magistrates, Tomgreany, County Clare, to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], reporting on a joint operation by the police and military to prevent the digging up of ground near Scarriff; noting that five men were taken prisoner, one of whom made his escape; also describing a further violent confrontation with the mob in the streets of that town and noting that robberies for firearms continue apace in the district. item; 4pp. 26 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/697. Letters from Rev Hugh Brady Huleatt, magistrate, Mount Shannon [Mountshannon], near Scarriff, County Clare, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, chiefly on the subject of bringing to justice those accused of posting of threatening notices and the issue of removing firearms from the local population; also reporting an attack on Michael [Salmon] of Kilcasheen by a large mob of armed insurgents who severely beat [Salmon] and smashed his furniture, windows and doors; noting the need for police reinforcements and military personnel in the immediate locality; referring in particular to the needs of Whitegate and the district around Tomgraney and Scariff; also proposing raising a corps of yeomanry for the protection of the Mountshannon area. 4 items; 16pp. 4 Mar 1831-27 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/698. File of letters and enclosures from Rev Hugh Brady Huleatt, magistrate, Mount Shannon [Mountshannon], near Scarriff, County Clare, [County Clare], concerning various aspects connected with local outrage and disorder. Includes letter from Huleatt to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting multiple attacks on houses in his district by the 'Insurrectionary Party'; referring for example, to an attack on the house of Joseph Salmon, from whom insurgents stole a small quantity of gunpowder; reiterating the want of a military party at Whitegate. Also includes copy affidavit of Thomas Courtney, policeman, and William Brady, farmer, Mountshannon, stating that Rockite notices were posted near the chapel of Cappaduff; noting that a boy named John Hogan, a servant to Henry Boucher, wished to take down the notices but was prevented so from doing by William Rourke; sworn before Huleatt and three other magistrates. 8 items; 22pp. 11 Apr 1831-28 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/712. Two letters from Rev Hugh Brady Huleatt, magistrate, Church Glebe, [Mountshannon, near Scarriff, County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, drawing attention to the continued agitation by the Whiteboys

in the region; alluding to the posting of threatening notices, noting attacks on the property, and the intimidation of workers; expressing disappointment at not seeing a company of military stationed at Whitegate and stressing his own need for protection; also mentioning the pressure exerted on the labouring men employed by Mr Holland of Dromore and enclosing threatening notices directed at John O'Brien of [Magherareagh], Michael Callanan of Corrofin and Abraham Reid of Terryglass [Tullyglass]. 4 items; 11pp. 7 May 1831-9 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/741. Letters from Rev Hugh Brady Huleatt, magistrate, Clonrush Glebe, near Scarriff, County Clare, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that the dwelling of John Bugler was attacked by the Terry Alts who beat him severely and robbed him of a gun; stressing the immediate need for a suitable number of policemen to keep the peace; also reporting that herdsman and stock belonging to Mr Butler, near Scarriff, were turned away by a party of the Terry Alts, who discharged a number of gunshots. 2 items; 8pp. 28 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/751. Letter from Capt Higgins, 56th Regiment [of Foot], Mountpelier, [Montpelier], County Limerick, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, stating that he was obliged to read the Riot Act at the fair of O'Brien's Bridge, County Clare due to the state of disorder that prevailed there on 25th of July; indicating he went with a number of police and military personnel to keep the peace and remarking that one man was fatally injured on the head and seven prisoners taken. 1 item; 2pp. 26 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/758. Letter from Cap [Joseph] Dyas, Sub-Inspector, Newmarket on Fergus, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the murder and robbery of John Hogarty, near Sixmilebridge, whilst on his way from the market of Limerick [County Limerick]; adding that the inquest found the man died from 'wilful murder' and two the strong suspicion surrounding Dogherty and Quinlevan. 1 item; 3pp. 25 Sep 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/802. File of documents concerning the postponement of the assizes of County Clare. Includes letter from [Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary], Dublin Castle, to Judge [Richard] Jebb, [County Limerick], acknowledging receipt of letter outlining the expected application for a postponement of trial from prisoners who are implicated in 'serious' crimes, and requesting to learn if the assizes of Clare should be adjourned; expressing opinion on behalf of the Lord Lieutenant that an adjournment of the Clare assizes 'will be absolutely necessary'. 3 items; 9pp. 5 Mar 1831-6 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/830. Letter from John Keily, [Chief Constable], Cove of Cork, [Cobh, County Cork], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the matter of the separate detention of prisoners John Brody and Patrick Fitzgerald, who are identified as possible crown witnesses; noting the men were both implicated in the murder of William Blood, magistrate of Corrofin in County Clare, and proposing the one be sent to the county jail of County Cork and the other to the convict depot; also drawing attention to Patrick Donohue, a convict on board the hulk ['Surprise'], who might also prove 'useful' in the investigation. Returning letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Limerick, [County Limerick], to Gosset, calling for the detention of Brody and Fitzgerald, both of whom are facing transportation; advising they be kept in separate places; noting that Fitzgerald in particular could make a 'useful approver'. 2 items; 7pp. 12 Jun 1831-23 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/833. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate, Ennis, County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on a woman named Mrs Kennedy, whose character was brought into question in connection with a case of outrage; discussing the part played by Mrs Kennedy whom he credits with preserving the lives of a number of police and military who were pursued by a 'murderous mob'; also noting the determination of a priest that the police and military should be given up to the mob. 2 items; 5pp. 4 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/846. Letter from George Lloyd, Mount Catherine, [County Clare], Castleconnell, [post town in County Limerick], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, drawing attention to the case of Patrick Ryan, a crown witness who is providing useful information on outrage in County Clare; remarking he is at present giving financial support to Ryan and proposing he now be placed under the care of Capt George [Meares] Drought, stipendiary magistrate, in County Limerick. Enclosing affidavit of Ryan, labourer, Killestry, stating that while in the town of Killaloe he overheard some men conspiring to rob an army pensioner named Patrick Page of Scariff; adding he witnessed the assault and robbery of Page in the town of Killaloe; insisting he prevented the assailants from drowning Page in the nearby canal but accepted a part of the stolen money. 2 items; 5pp. 18 Feb 1831-21 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/853. Letter from [Henry] Ross Lewin, magistrate, Rosshill, Kildysart, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, complaining that the insurgents have disarmed the country gentlemen in the immediate region; remarking that the peasantry made a visit to his dwelling demanding arms and he shot the 'supposed leader'; noting that houses are levelled in a nearby mountainous region and the insurgents appear to be considering taking a levy out of the country; insisting that decisive action will be required to re-establish the peace. 2 items; 7pp., 24 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/856. Letter from George Lloyd, magistrate, Broadford, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, stating he has taken information against Michael Cuddy of Violethill for the offence of serving Thomas Bartley, a wood-ranger employed by Sir Hugh Dillon Massy, with a Terry Alt notice; also asking if the government wish him to remain in his present location or remove to the barony of Tulla. Enclosing affidavit of Bartley, farmer, stating that Cuddy came to his house and presented a notice demanding a 'return of fines' that were previously levied [in connection with trespass or theft of timber]. 2 items; 5pp. 28 Apr 1831-29 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/857. Letter from George Lloyd, Mount Catherine, [County Clare], Castleconnell, [post town in County Limerick], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, calling attention to the posting of a threatening notice on the chapel of Bridgetown inviting the peasantry to dig up ground in the possession of Mr Wigmore near O'Briensbridge, and also some nearby ground belonging to Mr White in that vicinity; describing a spirited confrontation between the civil authorities and the country people during which the former were pelted with stones and the latter dispersed with some shots. 2 items; 4pp. 2 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/859. Letter from Matthew Barrington, [crown solicitor], Limerick, County Limerick, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the trial of two person who came to Limerick from County Clare for the purpose of inducing other to join them in turning up ground in the neighbourhood of Ross; noting the importance of the trial and remarking that the perpetrators 'will be sentenced to death

tomorrow'; also casting some doubt on the careless attitude of the gentry of Clare in the pursuit of law breakers, as compared with the active part taken by those in Cork and Limerick. 3 items; 8pp. 30 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/860. Letter from George Lloyd, Mount Catherine, [County Clare], Castleconnell, [post town in County Limerick], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the arrest of Patrick Grady in Cratloe Wood who is charged with acting as a treasurer for 'Lady Clare' [or the Terry Alts]. 1 item; 2pp, 15 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/905. Letter from William Edward Major, assistant barrister for County Clare, 34 Blessington Street, [Dublin], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on the unsettled state of the County Clare; remarking that in the face of open outrage the local gentry class as well as magistrates are marked by division; remarking the lower classes are the beneficiaries of the apathy displayed by the magistrates and the law is disregarded. 1 item; 4pp. 11 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/910. Letter by Walter Molony, Chief Constable, Gort, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on four policemen by a party of Rockites consisting of about 100 men in the vicinity of Newquay, [County Clare]; stating that a small number of the insurgents were shot, one having been brought to the barracks, is just expired; adding that the Rockites had sometime earlier broken into the house of a man named [John] Rabbit, beat him and robbed him of a gun. Also letter from Tomkins Brew, [Chief Constable and magistrate], Newquay, Burren, to Gosset, reporting the incident in detail. 2 items; 6pp. 16 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/924. Copy letter from Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, to Ryan Moran, Lahinchy, [County Clare], responding to his communication on the outbreak of disorder in County Clare; acknowledges the presence of secret societies in the baronies of Corcomroe and Ibrickan but admitting that government had 'not considered they were so systematically organised as you represent'; advising that Moran demonstrate an attitude of liberality towards the peasantry especially in 'giving out Barley and Potatoes' and to seek to gather information on the ringleaders of the outrage; adding that the military shall soon be 'called out' and warning to keep watch for the movement of arms along the coast. 1 item; 4pp. 15 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/925. Letter from [William Edward] Major, assistant barrister of County Clare, Ennis, [County Clare], to the Chief Secretary's Office, reporting on the quarter sessions at Ennistymon on the 6th of January or more particularly the attitude adopted in court by local magistrate, Major MacNamara; offering an elongated discussion of MacNamara's 'influence' in the country and reserves especial criticism for his 'tone and manner' whilst in session. Also letter from Major, 34 Blessington Street, [Dublin], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, seeking a copy of a reply by the Attorney General [Francis Blackburne] and also a copy of a letter from the Lord Chancellor of Ireland [William Conyngham Plunkett]. Also letter from Blackburne to Gosset advising that he doubts whether legal proceedings 'can be founded' on the charges laid against MacNamara; also letter from Plunkett to Gosset recommending that no action should be taken, 'on the eve of an Election'. 6 items; 14pp. 17 Jan 1831-30 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/92. Letter from Francis G Morony, [magistrate], Milltown Malbay, County Clare, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the activities of a party of nine armed men in the locality; noting the party administered an

illegal oath to the servant of a man named McMahon of [Glandyne], levelled a house on the townland of Park, beat two brothers of the name of O'Dea and shot a dog belonging to one of the men; adding that the party then proceeded to the house of one Fitzpatrick, whom they 'beat severely'; noting the disinclination of those who were attacked to identify the perpetrators. 1 item; 3pp 9 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/936. Letter from Michael Martin, [magistrate], Killaloe, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, drawing attention to the widespread agitation that is now present in his locality; complaining that great numbers in the neighbourhood have been sworn and 'Houses attacked and Arms taken'; stating that Rev [Daniel] Vaughan, parish priest, requested that he officiate at a meeting of parishioners for the purpose of having them swear not to partake in the disturbances, which he declined, advising instead that special constables be created. 1 item; 3pp. 16 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/947. Letter from Rev James Martin, magistrate, Kilmurry Glebe, Knock, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on the lawless state of his parish and locality; stressing the difficulty of procuring men to lead night patrols, and recommending his son, also James Martin, as a good example of a man who might be promoted to the status of special constable; alluding to the problem of finding the disaffected, who are now combining in small parties of five or six persons, usually 'headed by a man in female attire'; reporting that some of his own labourers were driven off the land by a man brandishing a pistol, allegedly a member of the Terry Alts, who had earlier made enquires about the price of potatoes, wage rates and land rental costs; adding he feels 'harassed' in his vocation and revealing that he, his family, and 100 other Protestant families, would gladly emigrate to one of the colonies. 2 items; 5pp. 30 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/948. Letter from John Fitzgerald, Ennis, to Sir William McMahon, Master of the Rolls, 45 Camden Street, [Dublin], offering his opinion as to why the peasantry in County Clare are in revolt; remarking the reason is 'to reap the profit of all the land in the Country and pay nothing for it'; stressing that no respect is paid by the lower orders to property and they insist 'all the stock of the Country must be left at full liberty to eat the grass'; stressing it will take a very great initiative by government to restore peace; also noting that the Catholic priests are seeing diminished dues from the people and warning of the spread of the contagion to County Galway. [The writer's name on this document has been scored out]. 1 item; 4pp. 9 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/961. Letter by Walter Molony, Chief Constable, Ennis, [County Clare], to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting the apprehension of John Grady and Patrick Collins who are suspects in the murder of members of a police party which occurred at a location near Lisdoonvarna on the 4th of April; noting he left with a detachment of the 28th Regiment [of Foot] from Curranrue, and succeeded in making the arrest after a 'very fatiguing march through the mountains of Burren'. 1 item; 2pp. 9 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/971. Petition of James [H] Martin, Ennis, to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, requesting issue of an order for the return of a selection of firearms taken during a raid on his property at Fountain on the 21st of March; noting the weapons are now in the police station in the town of Ennis, having been surrendered to the authorities. 1 item; 3pp. 25 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/975. File of three letters from Walter Malony, Chief Magistrate, addressed from Corofin, County Clare, and Gort, County Galway, chiefly on the subject of serious outrage. Includes letter to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the successful apprehension of eight persons concerned in attacks on houses, theft, and administering illegal oaths; also two others for the attempted murder of Mr Synge; noting also he captured Timothy Reilly, who is charged with 'cutting the tongues out of two prosecutors' in the vicinity of Kilrush in County Clare, about 18 months since. Also includes letter to Gosset, relaying details of an attack on the house of Peter Daly of Castledaly, County Galway, on the morning of the 21st of July; indicating the attacking party consisted of eight armed men whose primary objective was to rob money 'for the purpose of defending the Prisoners now in Galway Jail'; also noting that eight other houses in the neighbourhood came under attack on the same night, some receiving beating or being subject to robbery. 3 items; 9pp. 8 Jul 1831-23 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1002. Two letters from Tomkins Brew, Chief Constable, Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, concerning the apprehension of the murderers of Denis McGrath who was killed outside the fair of Kilmichael [Kilmihil] on the 28th of September; remarking that McGrath was amongst those who was involved in 'fighting' at the fair and noting the assistance given by the friends of the deceased in having the offenders brought to justice. 2 items; 4pp. 29 Sep 1831-3 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1082. Letter from Sir Edward O'Brien [4th baronet], Dromoland [Castle], Newmarket on Fergus, [County Clare], to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], admitting that he lost the last election contest because of his outright support for the Act of Union; expressing a resolve to continue to support government through the agency of resident magistrate. Also letter from O'Brien to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the arrest of one of the chief disturbers of the peace in the district; noting the difficulty in having the man formally identified due to fear on the part of the local community and remarking he is now in custody of the police at Newmarket [on Fergus]; also remarking that a female maid who was in the employment of Molony, who was lately killed at Cratloe, has made a positive identification of a man named Hennessy; also commenting on the very disturbed state of the country, noting an instance of armed men riding in daylight and warning that quite a quantity of arms are in the hands of the country people. 3 items; 10pp. 23 Mar 1831-4 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1092. Letter from Hugh O'Keeffe, [agent], Moynoe House, Moynoe, Scarriff, County Clare, to Peter Fitzgibbon Henchy, Merrion Square, [Dublin], expressing his delight at the conduct of a man named Gogan, who, with help from his neighbours, and aid from the police and military, secured seven men and one woman, who had earlier attacked his dwelling; stating the guilty party are now in the bridewell of Tomgrany, and one has indicated his intention of acting as an approver; also reporting that a section of land has been turned up in the vicinity of Mount Shannon [Mountshannon] and several persons 'severely beaten' in that quarter; also discussing some other matters connected with the estate and farmland. 1 item; 4pp. 25 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1095. Letter from James O'Brien, Dromelihiy, Kilrush, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on the 'distracted' state of the region and calling for immediate government intervention; expressing concern over his own safety and seeking the installation of a police or military

station in the village of Cooraclare; offering himself as someone who could exert a degree of 'legal' influence, perhaps as a commissioner of the peace. Enclosing newspaper cutting of letter from O'Brien to the editor of the 'Ennis Chronicle' exhorting the people of the parish of Kilmacduane to give up any firearms in their possession and to wait upon government for a redress of grievances; written with the support of Rev Thady Kelly, parish priest. Also enclosing printed ballad entitled 'A Pill for O'Brien or Bite If You Can' with line 'Those tax-eating tyrants now expect your votes, And if you elect them they'll surely cut your throat'. 3 items; 6pp. 5 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1097. Letter from Sir Edward O'Brien [4th baronet], Dromoland [Castle], Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, offering some thoughts on the means to subdue the disturbed state of the country; advising that the military are in a highly sensitive state of mind and if released against the disaffected will 'show no mercy to the people'; observing the present magistrates are largely ineffective against the acts of the disturbers of the peace and calling for a strong personality to take the lead; remarking that the combination of the peasantry will 'very soon be broken up' and it may not be necessary to resort to 'arbitrary measures'; also note overleaf from O'Brien to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, making reference to his communication with Stanley, ending 'at all events, let us avoid martial law as long as possible'. 2 items; 4pp. 10 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1107. Letter from J Dyas, Chief Magistrate, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting the murder of a man named Roger O'Neill, a servant to Mr Quinlevan, on the 2nd of November; explaining the deceased was killed near to the Sixmilebridge [County Clare] having returned from an errand to deliver corn to the city of Limerick. item; 2pp. 5 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1122. Copy report of a public speech delivered by Daniel O'Connell in the town of Ennis in County Clare, compiled by an unknown author; referring to the substance of O'Connell's discourse reproving the Orange influence, tithes, the Terry Alts, the police, and the administration of justice; ending with a comment by Major McNamara who implored the people 'to return to tranquillity and give up their arms'. 1 item; 18pp. 5 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1165. Letter from John R Bindon, Chief Constable, Killaloe, [County Clare], to [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], responding to a petition from John Ryan over an alleged failure by the courts to bring to justice Roger Mitchell and William Crowley for assault; remarking that Ryan's information on the two suspects is now taken. Returning petition from Ryan, Killaloe, to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, complaining that the magistrates have not acted against Mitchell and Crowley, both of whom he accuses of using dangerous and intimidating behaviour on the 28th of October; explaining that Mitchell and Crowley began by making threats against him outside his door and this was followed by a visit from Christopher Mitchell who snapped a gun in his face; also noting another suspect also called John Ryan; requesting justice. [See also SO/RP/OR/1831/1167 below]. 5 items; 10pp. 6 Nov 1830-15 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1167. Letter from John R Bindon, Chief Constable, Killaloe, [County Clare], to [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], responding to a memorial from John Ryan over an allegation of intimidation brought against him by a man named John Arthur Ryan;

observing that two sons of the petitioner were transported on information given by John Arthur Ryan, an occurrence that has produced 'a most malicious hostile feeling'; admitting that the petitioner has a case against Christopher Mitchell, William Crowley and Roger Mitchell but he declined giving information on account of John Arthur Ryan's name not being included with those facing charges. Also memorial from John Ryan, Killaloe, to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, complaining that charges are trumped up against him by John Arthur Ryan and a number of others concerned in the case; insisting the action is purely vindictive. [See also CSO/RP/OR/1831/1165 above]. 2 items; 6pp. 5 Jan 1831-24 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1168. Petition of John Russell, shoe maker, Loughnask, [Loughrask], parish of Burren, County Clare, to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, seeking the intervention of government to secure the release of his son, Patrick Russell, who is accused of involvement in the abduction of Ellen Thyne of Fahey on the night of the 14th of November; complaining of the behaviour of Tomkins Brew, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, whom he accuses of holding his son in confinement without indictment; insisting he has strongly represented the innocence of his son to the authorities, to which Brew retorted 'you may Go to Hell [and] Back again to the North & the Virgin Marry & I will Hang your Son'; also revealing he is a native of Rostrevor [County Down] and has responsibility for the support of 10 dependants. 1 item; 2pp. c21 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1169. Letter from Sir Edward O'Brien [4th baronet], Dromoland, [County Clare], to an unnamed recipient [but likely the Chief Secretary's Office], offering some observation on the stance of Daniel O'Connell and the Roman Catholics in the local elections; with reply from Dublin Castle overleaf; enclosing letter from Daniel Powell, Nutfield, to O'Brien pledging his vote and every support for the O'Briens of Dromoland; also enclosing printed ballad sheet entitled 'A Pill for O'Brien or Bite If You Can' with line 'Those tax-eating tyrants now expect your votes, And if you elect them they'll surely cut your throat'. 4 items; 8pp. 21 Mar 1831-25 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1170. Letter from Hill Wilson Rowan, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on plans to divide the county of Clare into constabulary or military districts; indicating his intention to consult with a number of commanding officers who serve in the region for the purpose of fulfilling the design of government; also commenting on the assembly of large crowds of people on surrounding hills and noting the seizure and impounding of 70 cattle that were found trespassing near the town of Tulla; adding that one man was taken into custody. 1 item; 2pp. 10 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1171. Letter from J.R. Rose, ensign, 50th Regiment [of Foot], [O'Callaghan's Mills], [County Clare], to the Military Secretary, Dublin, reporting that 60 acres of grassland was 'turned up' in the vicinity of Broadford; observing that a large gathering of people were present at the outrage numbering in all about 2000 individuals; adding that many of them were carrying firearms according to police observers. 1 item; 2pp. 4 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1175. Five letters from Capt John Roberts, Chief Magistrate, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on outrage and law enforcement; stating he is becoming acquainted with his responsibilities and the geography of the district to which he has taken charge; alluding to the possibility of a general surrender of firearms and applauding the effectiveness of the courts to coerce those engaged in outrage; reporting the arrest of three men charged

with murdering some policemen on the 4th of April, **and noting the arrest of four others charged with murdering William Blood**; also alluding to the successful resolution of a case involving the abduction of a girl from Glendine for the purposes of marriage. Also letter from Roberts to Maj [George] Warburton, [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], reporting on his progress in the abduction case and indicating that some arrests are now made; stressing he is searching for the 'slightest clue' in connection with the location of the girl. 7 items; 14pp. 15 Jun 1831-27 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1178. Letter from Hill Wilson Rowan, Chief Magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that the recent commission or court assizes at Gort [County Galway] has had a 'most salutatory tendency'; alluding to some determinations on firearms and noting that Kelly has been sentenced to be hanged for his part in the murder of Sgt Robinson of the 5th Regiment [of Foot]. 1 item; 2pp. 29 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1179. Three letters from Capt John Roberts, Chief Magistrate, Ennistymon, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on outrage and the state of the country; **observing the Terry Alts system is losing its grip on the population and many men previously involved in crime are now fleeing to America**; **remarking that James McDonnell and Mathias Bakey have been apprehended in connection with the murder of five policemen at Tonvahera, [Teervarna] on the 4th of April**; also stating that Laurence Halloran was taken to Ennis Gaol for his part in attacking and intimidating Patrick McMahon; also reporting the burning of a stack of turf on the property of John Coghlan at [Ardnakelen]: adding that Coghlan was previously sent a threatening notice and was assaulted by 6 armed men. 3 items; 10pp. 10 Jul 1831-26 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1184. Three letters from Capt John Roberts, Chief Magistrate, Ennistymon, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting his investigation of a malicious fire at Kilfenora; surmising that the act may have its origin in a dispute amongst local bakers over supply of bread to the nearby military establishment; adding that a number of men are now arrested in connection with the murder of five policemen at Tonvahera, [Teervarna] on the 4th of April; observing the Terry Alts system is likely to resume in the winter but may not reach the intensity of recent times; observing that walls in the barony of Burren were levelled and some convictions for trespass have been secured. 5 items; 14pp. 4 Jul 1831-30 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1190. Letter from Capt John Roberts, Chief Magistrate, Ennistimon, [Ennistymon, County Clare], to Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on an enquiry into the integrity of Francis Roche [witness to a crime]; referring to a deposition from Roche and observing his submissions contain implicit contradictions and are 'wholly at variance' with a former statement; adding 'it would be hard to convict any man, on the evidence of such a witness'. Enclosing affidavit of Francis Roche, Carhinduff, admitting that his memorial to the Lord Lieutenant was written by Thomas Flanagan; acknowledging that he later saw John Flanagan, clerk of the petty session's court, but he had no part in the preparation of the memorial; sworn before Rev William Henry Stackpoole [Stacpoole], magistrate. 2 items; 7pp. 21 Oct 1831-5 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1209. File of documents concerning an investigation of an attack on Edward Synge of Corofin in County Clare and the killing of his servant on 16th of

February. Includes letter from Charles Mahon, magistrate, Cahircalla, to Lieut Col [H] Dwyer, Dawson Court, Booterstown, County Dublin, reporting that Synge was 'severely wounded' in a gun attack and his servant fatally so; also reporting an attack on the police barracks at Carrowroe during which two or three assailants died; also mentioning the wounding of [Walter] Butler of Ashfield [County Galway]; advising that government take steps to 'reinforce the Military or to authorise the Loyal & well disposed to take up arms or...do both'. Also includes letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Constable, Ennis, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, offering an update on the investigation of the attack on Synge; revealing that a number of suspects have been interrogated in connection with the incident and stressing that efforts are continuing to expose the perpetrators, both of this attack and those responsible for the murder of William Blood. Also includes letter from Christopher Betty, keeper of the convict hulk 'Surprise', Cobh, County Cork, to [Dr] Edward Trevor, [supervisor of convict transportation], reporting on information received from a number of convicts on the murders of Synge's servant and Blood; enclosing statement of Patrick Donohue concerning the attack on Synge; also enclosing statement of Anthony Hoare of Lahinch, stating he was present at the murder of Thomas Magrath, steward to Bryan Moran, in November 1830; detailing the circumstances of the killing which began when Magrath was struck with stones then finally pierced 'with a sythe'. 14 items; 35pp. ; 16 Feb 1831-9 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1216. Letter from William Smyth, magistrate, Castlefergus [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, outlining his plans to defend his house against those involved in disturbing the peace; complaining he was unable to find any arms for sale in the city of Limerick and asking government for permission to borrow some 'infantry police carbines' from the military store in that place. 1 item; 3pp. 16 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1224. Letter from George Studdert, High Sheriff of County Clare, Clonderalaw, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, discussing the state of arms and ammunition possession in the immediate region; stating that a number of weapons have been brought into the village of Labasheeda, likely from County Limerick, including a blunderbuss and four guns; otherwise acknowledging that there is a considerable quantity of weapons in the hands of the country people. 1 item; 3pp. 26 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1260. Letter from Capt B Studdert RN, Kilrush, County Clare, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the menace of marauding parties attacking and plundering vessels trading on the River Shannon; stressing the need for more than one cruiser to protect the law-abiding traders and referring to a previous submission to government outlining the means to deter outrage on the river, its islands, banks and harbours; advocating the deployment of 'marine police' to bring law and order to the waters of the Shannon. Enclosing copy affidavit of Timothy Slattery, farmer, Moyne, parish of Kilrush, stating that on his return from Limerick over water his craft was boarded by a number of armed men near Saints Island on the night of the 17th of November; adding the robbers stole money from the passengers on board and departed in their own boat in the direction of a small island, where the sound of 'a drum & fife' could be heard. 2 items; 6pp. 27 Nov 1831-29 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1288. File of documents concerning a complaint by Lawrence Thynne, of Ennis in County Clare, over personal losses due to outrage. Includes memorial of Thynne to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, complaining that he

suffered much persecutions since voting for William Vesey Fitzgerald in 1828 in opposition to Daniel O'Connell; lamenting he become a victim to very severe persecution, was prevented from collecting arrears, and was subjected to heavy local ostracisation; adding he was put to the trouble of answering litigation taken by some poor tenants, an action that was funded by a portion of the Catholic Rent; also noting that his livestock were attacked or injured, and those transporting his corn to market were assaulted; also complaining his dwelling house came under attack and he was at the loss of property worth £500; proposing to offer a house for the accommodation of police in Ennis and expressing a desire for a position of employment under government. Also includes letter from JS Tabuteau, Sub-Inspector, Ennis, to [Maj] George Warburton [Inspector General of Police in Connaught], admitting that Thynne has been the victims of a number of outrages and persecution; remarking he was given two police men as protection who stayed at his house, but when they returned to station his property was 'totally destroyed' by some of the disaffected; recommending him as a man deserving of the compensation of government. 5 items; 17pp. 27 Jan 1831-14 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1343. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, observing the immediate region is in 'a most deranged state' but admitting he is encouraged by the arrival of a detachment of the 99th Regiment [of Foot], which will help 'to restore confidence'; remarking a strong reason for the lawlessness in the region is linked to the perception that a number of murders have gone 'unpunished and undiscovered'. 1 item; 3pp. 21 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1344. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, offering a defence against some suggestion that he had permitted 'private feeling' to 'neglect the public interests'; reiterating his commitment to the office he holds and to the maintenance of law and order in the region; noting his attention is required to three cases of homicide in Limerick and adding he expects to be called to Clonmel by [Michael] Bevan, [magistrate of County Tipperary]. 1 item; 4pp. 25 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1345. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that a large body of magistrates have met at Ennis and resolved to make application for the revival of the Insurrection Act; also noting the magistrate recommend the establishment of military parties at Tullow [Tulla], Ennistimon and Crusheen; commenting that the latter place is in a very disturbed state and was given a reinforcement of ten extra policemen; also discussing the accommodation needs of the military and advising that weapons in the hands of ex-yeomanry be confiscated. Also copy of printed handbill offering a reward for information on those who robbed Patrick Enright, steward of the Clifton Turf Yard, Limerick, on the 9th of January; also copy of printed circular offering a reward for information on the men who fired shots at the house of Laurence Pursell at Cahiracon; signed by 15 persons, with a note of the amount subscribed by each. 4 items; 6pp. 10 Jan 1831-25 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1346. Three letters from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to the discovery of threatening notices on the person of Michael Gearan, and adding the writer, whom he knows, is a leader of the Terry Alts around Corofin; stating that an attack was made on two dwellings between Ennis and Corofin, and also remarking upon his own protection of a couple of witnesses; also reporting the

conviction of two men for a murder of a female, who lost her life for refusing to attribute her pregnancy to 'another person'; expressing his disappointment that so few outrage cases have come before the courts, due to the lack of witnesses or of adequate evidence; complaining that the police as they are at present constituted cannot offer effective assistance, especially without their commander, Major George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught]. 4 items; 11pp. 4 Mar 1831-10 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1348. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Limerick, [County Limerick], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a letter from William Bentley, Hurtleton [Hurdleston], Broadford, [County Clare], complaining that the countryside around Ennis is in a state of 'Rebellion'; remarking on the digging up of ground on Mr Going's estate, the intimidation of many country people, and the intention to assemble in a large multitude at Spancill Hill on the 17th of March; requesting an immediate infusion of troops to quell the discord; also letter from Vokes to Gosset, referring to a note from Josiah Crampton, magistrate, [not present] and noting his counsel to the police and magistrates over rash use of firearms; adding that such conduct will put the police 'in the Dock instead of the people'. 4 items; 9pp. 12 Mar 1831-14 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1349. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, discussing the detention and interrogation of John Casey, a man who allegedly had information on the murder of William Blood and the gun attack on Synge; expressing his disappointment over aspects of the investigation by colleagues and remarking as a result the case has been 'spoiled'; also referring to a repeal meeting in the locality, possibly involving [Thomas] Steele. 1 item; 4pp. 21 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1353. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Limerick, [County Limerick], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, discussing the qualifications of Thomas Blood for service as a commissioner of the peace for County Clare; stating that Blood is heir to the estate at Roxton [Corofin] and noting his brother William Blood was murdered on the 21st of January; adding 'He is as brave as a Lion' and worth about £1000 per year; also copy letter from Vokes to Gosset, calling for the appointment of Blood and stressing the need to make a search for firearms in that locality; also enclosing extract of a letter [author unknown] insisting that Blood is not a 'strong' man and claiming he is a failed merchant tailor of Georges Street in the city of Limerick, now an 'insolvent Debtor'. items; 10pp. 1 Mar 1831-31 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1355. Copy letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Limerick, [County Limerick], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, responding to a request from local magistrates for an experienced constable of police to be stationed at Kildysart and for permission for the police and military there to patrol together; enclosing two letters from [Henry] Ross Lewin, and Bindon Scott, magistrates, Kildysart, [County Clare], to Vokes, describing the effects of outrage in their locality including the turning up of ground, the digging of graves and plunder for arms; also complaining that large number from County Limerick cross the River Shannon and remove seaweed from the islands of Clare; stressing the need for the military to accompany the police on patrol as the magistrates cannot always attend. 3 items; 8pp. 22 Mar 1831-29 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1356. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting he

has been sworn in as a commissioner of the peace and commenced immediately to 'capture' a herd of cattle trespassing on the property of Pierce Creagh on the townland of Ballynahinch; also noting his visitation of Loughrea [County Galway] where he gave assistance to Capt Warburton in screening the gentry of Marble Hill against an offensive by the disaffected; also noting his part in the seizure of three stands of arms at Tomgrany and his investigation of an attack on some officers of the 34th Regiment [of Foot] on Coney Island; also stating he arrested a man in possession of two prayer books who is suspected of administering unlawful oaths. Also letter from Vignoles to Gosset, reporting on his rounding up of cattle that have been trespassing on private lands and of his encounter with 'a most dangerous fellow' employed 'in collecting Rents'. 4 items; 14pp. 20 [Mar] 1831-15 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1359. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, drawing attention to a conspiracy to murder Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, for which some persons are incarcerated in the gaol of Ennis [County Clare]; advising that the matter be inquired into as Vokes is the magistrate making the committal. 1 item; 3pp. 29 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1360. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Limerick, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, commenting on the arrest of Patrick Hartigan in County Clare, the author of a number of threatening Terry Alt notices; **stating that Michael Guerin gave information to the police on Hartigan and the suspect is also linked to other more 'serious murders'; indicating he would like to personally interview Hartigan on the writing and posting of the threatening notices.** 1 item; 4pp. 16 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1362. Letter from Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, Limerick, [County Limerick], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, drawing attention to the very serious aggression directed by insurgents against the property of James and Arthur Gloster of County Clare; pointing to the dislocation of livestock, the destruction of fences, the serving of threatening notices and other forms of intimidation; enclosing various statements from James and Arthur Gloster lamenting their lands in the parishes Clonloghan, Bunratty and Kilconry, were rendered desolate by the work of the insurgents who broke fences, intimidated herdsmen and drove off livestock; indicating they will be seeking compensation for loss and damage to their estate at the assizes of Ennis; also copy of threatening notice signed by 'Lady Alts', Ballynahinch. 8 items; 17pp. 15 Apr 1831-4 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1363. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Tullow [Tulla], [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to his interview with a fatally wounded man of the name of Meary who resisted giving information on those who attacked him and who also murdered the steward of Mr Creagh; also noting some other local outrages. Also letter from Vignoles, Killadysert, to the Chief Secretary's Office, reporting that a number of police went 'in plain clothes' on patrol in the neighbourhood with a view to infiltrating the Terry Alt system; noting the policemen accompanied a suspect to a public house in Lisacasey [Liscasey] but they were forced to dash away due to the hostility of the country people; observing on their retreat Sgt Robinson was overcame and killed with a hatchet; continuing that a number of wounded policemen sought refuge in the house of Kennedy but a crowd of 'two or three thousand' appeared outside and demanded their firearms; expressing

disappointment over the disarming of 14 men of the police establishment. 3 items; 12pp. 1 May 1831-9 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1367. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to a statement on debts accumulated by Sgt Robinson [not present], possibly a murder victim, and seeking a response; asking for the return of a statement from Michael Dillon, an approver, which he needs for the purpose of making a comparison; proposing that a circular be forwarded to the stipendiary magistrates to ensure that prompt action is taken against any suspects; also recommending Richard Brew as a suitable person to hold the post of chief constable; claiming that Brew is his 'assistant thief catcher' and stating it was he who helped catch George Casey, the man who murdered William Blood, and was instrumental also in the conviction of Quinlivan for the same crime. 1 item; 4pp. 1 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1368. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Tullow [Tulla], [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on a number of men in the employment of Mrs Healy of the townland of Manusmore; stating a party of ten Terry Alts crossed the River Shannon and fired shots at her labourers in a field; observing the reason for the attack was that Mrs Healy refused to discharge her servant, a native of the province of Connaught; noting the police and military gave chase but were unable to apprehend the offenders. 1 item; 4pp. 13 Jul 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1371. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on the house of John Foster by a party of Terry Alts; remarking the victim's property is on the estate of Lord Thomond [William O'Brien, 2nd Marquess of Thomond, 11th Baron Inchiquin] and the attack appears to arise from a 'dispute' over land unconnected with the general campaign of outrage; noting he also investigated an alleged attack on the dwelling of Rev Oliver Grace, curate, parish of Kilkeedy, which turned out to be false, and observing that some threatening notices were put on display around Bunratty in connection with the 'letting of meadow ground'. 1 item; 4pp. 2 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1373. Letters from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, expressing strong reservations over the pardon of Patrick Fox [alias Shinee], a man who was recommended for liberty by John O'Brien, magistrate; explaining that Fox was convicted for the robbery and ill treatment of Patrick Keefe and stressing he is also implicated in 16 or so other robberies and has close links to a most 'desperate gang of ruffians'; complaining that one of the consequences of Fox's impending release is that certain persons who were prepared to offer information on the murder of Malowney [Maloney] have withdrawn their co-operation; also making reference to John Browne, who was convicted for the plunder of firearms from the dwelling of Rev Richard Kennedy of Clondagad. Also copy letter from Gosset to the High Sheriff of County Clare [George Studdert], reflecting on the issue of pardons to Fox and Browne. 3 items; 10pp. 30 Jul 1831-6 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1378. File of letters from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], chiefly to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, on the subject of the murder of William Blood of Applevale, near Corofin, and the plight of

Rev Richard Kennedy of Clondagad. Includes letter from Vignoles, referring to the murder Sgt Robinson at Clondagad and commenting on the protection given to the remaining police by Kennedy 'at the expense of the sacrifice of their arms'; remarking that ever since Kennedy has been under the protection of the police as his life is in danger from the resentful peasantry; adding that Kennedy's house was subsequently occupied by the police and military as a station. Also includes letter from Vignoles concerning the payment and distribution of a reward for information on the murder of Blood; also referring to the ongoing investigation of the murder and observing that Hogan 'is still at large'. 6 items; 16pp. 25 Aug 1831-1 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1380. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, alluding to matters surrounding the issue of dismissals from the police establishment and discussing the favourable reception of [Tom] Shehan in the town of Corofin; adding he will report shortly on the cases of Moore, Hartigan, Donnelly and Brody. item; 4pp. 12 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1382. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, complaining of the delay in presenting relief to two women by the name of McNamara who gave evidence against two men of the name of Doherty and another called Cross for the murder of their sister; expressing his concern that Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate, [Limerick], has withheld the government's bounty to the sisters who are now in misery. Also encloses a petition from Jeremiah Malone, Ennis, to Vignoles, bringing to attention the plight of the McNamara sisters and seeking their full remuneration. 2 items; 8pp. 20 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1383. File of letters from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, on the subject of local outrage. Includes letter from Vignoles stating that several attacks on houses have taken place and noting the method of one group of insurgents who demanded that a candle be lit to check if the victim could identify any of them; remarking that while at Corofin he discovered that 'a combination of a new kind' had commenced and noting he has employed an informer to keep abreast of developments; also reporting the presence of 'ballad singers and persons crying speeches' in the surrounding country. Also includes letter from Vignoles reporting the death by accident of a known insurgent who fell off a cliff in the barony of Burren; observing the dead man was 'making his way across the country in the dark to escape some of my men' and he fell from a cliff top and was 'dashed to pieces'; also reflecting on an expectation amongst the people that orders will be given 'not to pay tithes or taxes'. 5 items; 19pp. 1 Dec 1831-6 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1386. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], [Ennis, County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, offering an evaluation of the case against William Moore, who was implicated in the robbery of a man called Keefe; discussing the statement of Shehan and that of Keefe, and concluding that the submission of the latter is reliable and trustworthy; remarking that Moore was sentenced to transportation for his part in house breaking and theft. 1 item; 4pp. 5 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1388. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to

the memorial of Michael Burnell [not present] and pointing to the culpability of that individual in aiding and abetting the attempted escape of a murderer named Richard Kennedy; stating that Burnell is an uncle of two men named Kennedy who are charged with the murder of five policemen and asserting Burnell assisted Kennedy in trying to escape to America by ship through the bay of Galway. 1 item; 4pp. 2 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1390. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting an attack on Kilkeedy Church during which the 'whole of the interior [was] totally destroyed'; observing that this is the second attack on the church under the supervision of Rev [Oliver] Grace, and it demonstrates the disregard with which the peasantry view this 'Edifice' of the Protestant establishment. 1 item; 3pp. 31 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/139. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the part taken by George MacNamara [magistrate, Arbourhill, Ennistymon] in connection with the handling of Jennings, a principle suspect in the murder of five policemen in that quarter; noting the role of [PS] Creagh, magistrate, in that affair and the discharge of Jennings from police custody at Doolin. 1 item; 4pp. 23 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1392. Letter from Capt J Vignoles, [Chief Magistrate], Ennis, [County Clare], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the stubborn resistance of the peasantry to the rule of law; stressing the ongoing difficulty of obtaining information on local crime from the country people and noting the persistence of a rumour that Daniel O'Connell will act to restore suspects to their friends; remarking on the discovery of a man concealed in the house of a man named Mulvehill, near Ennis, and noting that two more were found hiding in his hay loft; observing that a large quantity of arms remain in possession of the people and they cling to them like their own 'Heart's Blood'; referring to his pursuit of those who stole Stackpoole's arms and noting the dexterity of local offenders who sleep away from home to avoid detection. 2 items; 8pp. 13 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1398. Letter from Tomkins Brew, Chief Constable, Ennis, [County Clare], to [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], alluding to an attack on the property of John Enright of Ballyallia and suggesting the propriety of offering a reward; noting the likely reason for the attack was the man's recent conversion to the Protestant faith. Also letter from Joseph Tabuteau, Sub-Inspector, Ennis, [County Clare], to Warburton, giving a detailed account of the damage done to Enright's property, which is estimated at about £200. Also letter from Thomas Mahon, [magistrate], Ennis, County Clare, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, on the subject of the desecration done to Enright's estate. 3 items; 9pp. 8 Jan 1831-9 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1184. Three letters from Capt John Roberts, Chief Magistrate, Ennistymon, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting his investigation of a malicious fire at Kilfenora; surmising that the act may have its origin in a dispute amongst local bakers over supply of bread to the nearby military establishment; adding that a number of men are now arrested in connection with the murder of five policemen at Tonvahera, [Teervarna] on the 4th of April; observing the Terry Alts system is likely to resume in the winter but may not reach the intensity of recent times; observing that walls in the barony of Burren were levelled and

some convictions for trespass have been secured. 5 items; 14pp. 4 Jul 1831-30 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1407. Letter from Rev John Whitty, archdeacon [Kilfenora] and magistrate, Kilmanaheen Glebe, Ennistymon, County Clare, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, stressing that little difference of opinion actually exists between the bench of magistrates sitting at Ennistymon and the assistant barrister for County Clare, William Edward Major; pointing to the necessity of having a local military force to bolster the rule of law in the face of a continuation of serious outrage and murder. 1 item; 4pp. 25 Jan 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1418. File containing individual reports relating to outrages and disturbances perpetrated in the counties of Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Mayo, Roscommon and Sligo, [compiled by Maj George Warburton, Inspector General of Police in Connaught]; detailing various types of outrages such as murder, rescue, theft of arms, abduction, arson, animal mutilation, beating, burglary, and posting of threatening notices. Includes letter from Nicholas Darcy, Chief Constable, Ballaghaderreen, [County Mayo], to Sylvester Jones, Chief Magistrate, reporting on the distribution of threatening notices warning against the collection of tithes and rent, and also other notices calling for a fixed price for articles offered for sale in the marketplace; referring to a large assembly of persons of the lower orders in the town of Ballaghaderreen who sought to vent their frustrations. 9 items; 21pp. 28 Jan 1831-9 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1424. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to plans for the distribution of troops in the region, especially to send a detachment to Ennistymon and to Tulla, County Clare; also reporting a meeting of the lower orders planned for tomorrow at a location near Crusheen, to be attended by Blake Foster; confirming his own intention to act to prevent any breach of the peace in that place; emphasising the need for 'unity of action' between the dragoons, police and magistrates when acting to curtail the excesses of the country people; also remarking on land being turned up in the neighbourhood and noting the absence of any resident governor. 3 items; 8pp. 26 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1427. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the continuation of outrage in the region and efforts by the authorities to re-establish the peace; alluding to the persistence of intimidation and of turning up of farm land between Newmarket and Limerick; also referring to a man whose remains had to be interred by night [?Edward Synge] and noting the collection of the O'Connell tribute. 3 items; 6pp. 21 Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1430. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reflecting on some recent acts of terror in the region and observing that peace may only be secured through implementation of the Insurrection Act; stressing the need for an active magistrate in the area around Oranmore and recommending that Walter Molony be made a commissioner of the peace for counties Galway and Clare; also drawing attention to the risk of understaffed police stations in regions of severe hostility. Enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country: detailing various types of outrages such as murder, faction fighting, animal mutilation, beatings, discharge of gunshots, theft of money and arms, abduction

and the administration of illegal oaths. Also enclosing letter from Walter Molony, Chief Constable, Gort, County Galway, reporting an attack on a number of policemen attached to the station at Newquay [County Clare] by a band of Rockites numbering about 100 persons; stressing the constabulary officers, who were in the act of escorting a prisoner, put up a brave defence and drove off the assailants; remarking two of the attackers received gunshot wounds, and one has since died; adding the Rockites had some time earlier plundered a gun from the house of a man of the name of Rabbit. 4 items; 11pp. 16 Feb 1831-[19] Feb 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1434. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the disturbed state of the surrounding countryside; remarking that the disaffected are continuing to plunder for arms, land is turned up and they 'have made a cow House of a Church near Kilfenora'; declaring also that arms may have acquired by the lawless from a vessel that was 'seized on the [River] Shannon' and pointing also to the interference by priests with witnesses. CSO/RP/OR/1831/1434. 1 item; 4pp. 7 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1442. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the aftermath of Daniel O'Connell's election victory in County Clare; alluding to the charged circumstances of the occasion and to the intention of the country people to honour the victor with 'a public dinner'; discussing the means now pursued by the authorities to bring offenders to justice, such as making excursions into country areas accompanied with 'movable columns' of military; also bringing to observation the issue of addressing the crime of turning up land, a matter 'fraught with difficulty'. 1 item; 4pp. 24 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1444. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Galway and Clare: detailing various types of outrages such as plunder of arms, beatings, destruction of furniture, levelling of a former police barracks at Rockforest, destruction of timber and boundary walls, turning up of land, intimidation, murder and the posting of threatening notices. 2 items; 3pp. 24 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1450. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Broadford, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that disaffection is still very prevalent in the region; referring to land being turned up, unlawful assemblies, house attacks, illegal cattle driving, attacks on police barracks and other deprivations, much of which occurred in the region encompassing Caher, Scarriff and Feakle; expressing hopes of bringing the guilty to justice. 2 items; 8pp. 28 Mar 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1454. Letter from Capt Bartholomew Warburton, police magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a copy affidavit of John Miller, Toonagh, recounting a close encounter with a large party of armed Terry Alts outside the town of Ennis; noting the mob apparently were intent upon 'redressing the wrongs of a widow who had been deprived of some land'; also copy letter from Edmund Kirwan, [Constable], Bunnahow, to Joseph Tabuteau, Sub-Inspector, Ennis, [transcribed overleaf], stating that an attempt was made to lure the police into an ambush on the false grounds that a heifer had fallen

into a boghole; adding that following a visit to the property of Walter Butler to serve a crown summons, the police came under attack by rebels who 'cried out murder the Bloody Peelers'; also copy letter from Edmund Mahon, Newmarket, reporting an attack on the house of William Smyth, Castlefergus, and the theft of nine stands of arms in spite of the presence of two policemen. 2 items; 7pp. 8 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1455. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, concerning the appointment of John Miller as a commissioner of the peace for counties Galway and Clare; also note signed by 'Taylor' issuing instructions for the appointment of William Butler of Bunnahow as magistrate of Galway; also letter from Warburton to Gosset, discussing the wider question of appointment of local magistrates; also remarking there is no necessity for a chief constable in the town of Roscommon, County Roscommon, and offering some reflections on police resources for the region. 4 items; 7pp. .6 Apr 1831-7 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1456. Letter from Capt Bartholomew Warburton, police magistrate, Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that three men were given death sentences at the assizes; also reporting on an outbreak of 'agitation' in the town of Ennis due to a report of the sudden death of Thomas Philip Vokes, police magistrate; acknowledging that Vokes had been taken ill and did receive medical treatment; also enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Mayo, Roscommon and Sligo: detailing various types of outrages such as robbery, arson, turning up of land, plunder of arms, intimidation, unlawful assembly, administration of illegal oaths, discharge of gunshots, levelling of houses and posting of threatening notices. 2 items; 6pp. 6 Apr 1831-8 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1463. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Mayo, Roscommon and Sligo: detailing various types of outrages such as intimidation of farm labourers, turning up of land, plunder of arms, robbery, shooting, assault, arson, injury to livestock, administration of illegal oaths, unlawful assembly, trespassing and posting of threatening notices. Includes letter from James Gibbons, Chief Constable, Pilltown, [County Kilkenny], reporting the police under his charge gave assistance to Mr H Deveroux who made a seizure of some cattle at Mullinavat; remarking however, that the country people carried out a rescue; stressing the growing resistance to lawful demands in connection with any kind of property. 11 items; 27pp. 24 Mar 1831-15 Apr 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1466. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Mayo, Roscommon and Sligo: detailing various types of outrages such as arson, murder, robbery, plunder of arms, assault, destructions of belongings, intimidation, dispersal of livestock, levelling of buildings, unlawful assembly, administration of illegal oaths and posting of threatening notices to enforce lower rents, increase wages or leave employment. Includes copy anonymous notice from 'A poor Labourer' to the gentry and clergy of the barony of Costello [County Mayo] referring to the plight of the poor and advising the landed elites to take steps to relieve the people. 5 items; 12pp.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1469. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Castlegar, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting that another murder has occurred in County Clare due to the work of the ill-disposed; alluding to an allegation of 'inefficiency' against [Edmund] Mahon, [Chief Constable, Newmarket on Fergus, County Clare], and confirming his intention to examine the details of the case; also reporting that land is turned up in the locality around Boyle [County Roscommon] and noting the rise of disaffection in other parts of his jurisdiction; also hoping for a timely completion of the reorganisation of the police. Also letter from Warburton to Alexander Mangin, [first clerk in civil department of Chief Secretary's Office], referring to an a warrant to search for arms made out to Edward Kelly, magistrate, Ballymurry, [County Roscommon]; advising that such applications should be referred to Capt George [Meares] Drought, stipendiary magistrate, [County Roscommon] for advice. 2 items; 7pp. 26 Apr 1831-3 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1471. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing a copy letter from Capt [Joseph Lucas] Cox, magistrate, Mount Pleasant, [Kilrush, County Clare], expressing his appreciation at the Lord Lieutenant's approval following a successful resistance against some cohorts of the disaffected; recounting some attacks on local households over the past nights including one in which the police were obliged to return fire, in which a few of the disaffected were wounded; adding the insurgents have offered a reward to any man who would take his own life. 2 items; 5pp 13 May 1831-14 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1474. Letter from Rev John Whitty, magistrate and archdeacon of Kilfenora, Kilmanaheen Glebe, Ennistymon, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on the disinclination of the rebels to surrender arms and the persistence of intimidation throughout the region; indicating those giving information on outrage are exposed to every sort of harassment and often must resort to the police barracks for shelter; referring to the levelling of five houses on the estate of Sir Augustine Fitzgerald due primarily to the presence of 'new tenants'; also noting the presentation before him of a man named Kinnane for having a concealed pistol but who, it transpired, could not be convicted; also referring to the refusal of a man named Lyddy to prosecute those who permitted their cattle to trespass on his lands. 1 item; 4pp. 13 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1476. Letter from Capt Bartholomew Warburton, police magistrate, Loughrea, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, referring to his correspondence with Mr Pilkington [proprietor of the 'Western Argus' newspaper] in connection with information on some of the perpetrators of disaffection in the region, and noting he will not make any arrests until after the election of County Clare; stressing at present outrage encompasses the whole country and noting an attack on a local policemen that has caused something of a 'sensation'; also remarking on the severe revenge enacted upon any who fail to obey the orders of the insurgents. Also letter from Warburton, Dalystown, Loughrea, to Edward Geoffrey Smith Stanley, Chief Secretary, reporting on the wounding of a policeman, which he notes, is a deliberate attempt to obstruct the application of law and justice; admitting that the country is in an increasingly 'worse' condition and emphasising the constant spirit of outrage that mars the region. 3 items; 7pp. 17 May 1831-19 May 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1479. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset,

Under Secretary, reporting on a number of successful convictions in court of men concerned in various acts of outrage; indicating a group sentenced to transportation were escorted through Sixmilebridge [County Clare], where 'an outrage was committed the previous night'; remarking that a Mr O'Connell brought about 40 stand of arms to the town of Ennis and the same were placed with Maj Gen Sir Thomas Arbuthnot [assistant adjutant general]; adding that the establishment of full tranquillity is still some way off. 1 item; 4pp. 8 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1485. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ennis, County Clare, to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting his intention to address military or police deficiencies in the districts of Ratorpe [County Galway] and Dromeliyh [County Clare]. Enclosing a memorial of John Foster, Ratorpe, and Andrew Keely, Rose Hill, [County Galway], to Henry William Paget, Lord Lieutenant, requesting that military parties be stationed in their houses; complaining of the extreme activities of the insurgents who have forced them to abandon their holdings and move to the town of Gort. Also enclosing a memorial of Patrick Geohegan, Rathorpe, to Paget, lamenting at the acts of the disaffected upon his person and property; requesting the establishment of a military barracks in the neighbourhood. Also enclosing letter from James O'Brien, Dromeliyh, Kiltrush, County Clare, to the Chief Secretary's Office, detailing a number of attacks on his property by insurgents and noting the continued intimidation he faces; insisting his circumstances are 'dreadful' and calling for the permanent presence of a detachment of militia; also suggesting he be given the commission of the peace for his own protection. 4 items; 10pp. 19 May 1831-7 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1507. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Galway, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, reporting on his visit to County Clare where tranquillity is established for the present; noting the inclination of the people there is retain the military for reasons of security; also touching on the recognition of an O'Connellite agent and of useful assistance given the police by a particular individual. 2 items; 7pp. 14 Aug 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1521. Letter from Capt Bartholomew Warburton, police magistrate, Ballinasloe, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Galway, Clare and Roscommon: detailing various types of outrages such as an incursion and rescue of cattle from the pound of Woodford, the murder of a man leaving the fair of Kilmichael [County Clare], and the shooting of a horse pulling a canal boat towards the harbour of Ballinasloe. Also letter from Warburton to Gosset, reporting that the annual fair of Ballinasloe passed off without major incident; stating he took the precaution of having a military party present on the occasion alongside the police, acting in conjunction with Earl Clancarty [William Thomas Le Poer Trench, 3rd Earl of Clancarty]. 2 items; 6pp. 3 Oct 1831-9 Oct 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1526. Letter from Capt Bartholomew Warburton, police magistrate, Ballinasloe, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim and Roscommon: detailing various types of outrages such as plunder of arms, administration of illegal oaths, discharge of gunshots, arson, intimidation, killing of livestock and driving off of cattle and horses. 2 items; 4pp. 29 Nov 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1532. Letter from Capt Bartholomew Warburton, police magistrate, Ballinasloe, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim and Roscommon: detailing various types of outrages such as assault, plunder of arms from yeomanry, intimidation of agricultural workers and theft. 2 items; 3pp. 5 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1535. Letter from Major George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ballinasloe, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Leitrim, Mayo and Sligo: detailing various types of outrages such as the armed intimidation of agricultural employers, killing of sheep, assault, illegal rescue of property, arson, destruction of forge equipment, injury to private property and the posting of threatening notices. 2 items; 4pp., 13 Jun 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1543. Letter from [Maj] George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Portumna, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Roscommon and Sligo: detailing various types of outrages such as assault, intimidation, beatings, discharge of gunshots, arson, destruction of livestock and supplies, attacks on the police and the posting of threatening notices. 2 items; 4pp. 19 Dec 1831.

CSO/RP/OR/1831/1548. Letter from Major George Warburton, Inspector General of Police [in Connaught], Ballinasloe, [County Galway], to Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Gosset, Under Secretary, enclosing extracts from the chief constables reports on the state of the country in counties Clare, Galway, Roscommon and Sligo: detailing various types of outrages such as an attempted rescue of prisoners, the accidental death of three females in a house fire, an assault and theft by members of the 68th Regiment [of Foot], a beating which led to death, the robbery of arms and the discharge of a gun during a house attack. 2 items; 4pp. 30 Dec 1831.