Sr

Hanover Street 10th Oct. 1761

I had the favour of yr. of 9th instant in answer to which I can only say at present that I do not yet know of any objection. The including of open storms is generally reckoned an improvement to your labours. As such I shall willingly approve & consent to it when the petition comes into the House of Commons I shall see it & consider of it. The party connected in interest must give their consent & then it will be past without opposition.

I am Sr,

Yr. most humble Serv.

Wm. Huntzler
Glentworth Oct. 17th 1761

Reverend Sir

Although I have read from you 3 letters, yet did choose to put you to expense of a Post Letter by way of answer to any of them, as it is not in my power to say any thing which may give you satisfaction.

I have not heard a syllable either from Mr. Dyer or Mr. Glanville, &c. &c. I know you say is intended to be made at Fillington; till I do you must excuse me coming to any resolution till I hear either from one or both of them. I am, Sir,

Your Humble Servant

W. Happett
Lyddington. 21 Nov. 61.

My Lord.

On Tuesday the third instant Mr. Simony (of Leicester) and my self purposed to wait upon your Lordship at Burleigh to solicit your consent and interest with Mr. Basset and Mr. Stanville, for the inclosing of the Parish of Lyddington, which w
would be vastly agreeable and interesting to a many Land-owners, Collagers who have signed a petition to your Lordship in order to bring about so wholesome a situation a purpose, which I then intended to lay before your Lordship, but did not learn you was gone to Town before we reached Finwell, when Mr. Dowe informed us your Lordship left Burleigh the day before.

As I had some time agoe opend the affair to your Lordship, I took the liberty of writing to Mr. Basset and Mr. Stanville on the subject, neither of whom gave a negative to it, but I refer your Lordship to their letters, which I have herewith inclosed. By Mr. Basset you will perceive how ready he was to...
an Enclosure if it was requested of him by Your Lordship:— and Mr. Glanville, I doubt not, will be more explicit and give more full and definite answer in favour of it if Your Lordship would be so kind, as I do presume he is now in Town, to confer with him about it.

How greatly beneficial the Enclosing of this Parish to your Lordship and the rest of the Land Owners of the Town in general, is very easily explained:— but this only, who is a very charitable Proprietor and understands the Nature of Improvements, made by Enclosures better than my self, is at any time ready to furnish your Lordship with particular Reasons in favour of this Enclosure and which will appear I hope, equally satisfactory and convincing.

Though I must ingenuously confess my self the more anxious to have the Enclosure effected on the account of the great Benefits of my present Circumstances as I am very confident I and soon enable me (if it please God I live) to discharge every Debt I owe in the World, as well as a comfortable provision for my Wife, and therefore render me extremely happy, yet, however pleasing my Present, I cannot presume so far on Your Lordship's humanity, not to be

Importune you to offer this as a Motive, with alone would induce your Lordship to profuse my Request were I not thoroughly convinced that your Lordship, together with the principal Land-Owne, and poor Collaters, will reap very considerable Advantage from it— greater than for any Enclosure I ever yet heard of.

I have herewith sent your Lordship a Copy of the Petition already consented to and signed by several of the Land-Owners and Collaters for this Purpose, and humbly hope for your Lordship's hearty concurrence hereon with which I shall ever be most gratefully acknowledged by

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most Obed. and most Obliged

Humble Servt.

Majoring's daughter

P.S. I should think my respectfully to request a Line.
To the Rt. Honble. the Earl of Exeter,
Rutland to Weft.

My Lord.

We the Land Owners, Freeholders, Copyholders, Collagers, customary Tenants, within your Lordship's Manors, Parish of Goddington in this County

Humbly beg leave first to represent to your Lordship what great Advantages would accrue to your Lordship and ut the Tenants aforesaid by inclosing the open fields and as much of the Commons and Brand as may be taken in by the said inclosure without any Improvement or Damage to any of the neighbouring Townships or Villages who may have any right or Right to stock in Common aforesaid and without this unnecessarily increasing the Expence of the said inclosure.

2. We beg leave to represent to your Lordship that the necessity of this our said Lordship being already in a great Measure included very little more will be beneficial than subdividing same will greatly lessen the Expence and also will be badly agreeable to us your Lordship's Petitioners.

3. That such Proportions of Land may be more easily allotted to the Impropriator, View and us the Land-Owners, Collagers, &c. we hereby address ourselves to your Lordship to obtain an Act of Parliament, appoint Commissioners
To this very salutary Purpose, and this we humbly conceive will heal such Animosities and Disputes as have hitherto happened concerning Rights of Common and other grants to the Disquiet of the said Parish, and we hope your Lordship will be pleased to order such a Survey of this Lordship and such immediate Enquiries to be made as may convince your Lordship how truly consistent it will be with your Lordship's Interest and Property together with our own to gratify us in this our Humble Request, and beg leave to acquaint your Lordship that we will readily concur in all such Measures as may be most agreeable for obtaining these Purposes, and readily listen to your Lordship's further Consent and Advice, and Approval herein, and beg leave to subscribe ourselves

your Lordship's Petitioners, and
Most Obd.

Humble Servts.

Mainly Laughton.
James Tinsley of Leicester.
Edmund Sidney of Loddington.
James Hill... of Do.
Tho. Lewis... of Do.
Tho. Drake... of Do.
Francis Gibbins.
Tho. Roberts... of Do.
Walter Smith of Wakerly.
John Bletter of Leaunt.
Henry Pynples of Thorp.
John Wright of Loddington.
Rob. Smith Ford of Do.
Robert Smith Clerk of Blatherwiche.
John Allen - of Lyddington.
Rich'd Foulshorpe - of Do.
Wm Browne - - of Do.
Alexander Litch - of Do.
Jno Farrow - of Do.