

others.] R. O. Gowan offered to give up to William Gowan the deed which Fearn had drawn up, giving to him £200 out of the lands of Ashwood, if William would give him the codicil in which he was left £100 a year. Gentlemen, that will go before you to shew the value which was set upon the deed in question. Mr. Scott then proceeded to argue upon the subject of the Bill and answer which had been filed in the Court of Equity. He then read some letters from William Gowan to Burland, in one of which, dated the 12th of July, he says, "Keep up your spirits and fear not, we will be victorious. Great preparations for the bonfire to night"—(a laugh.) Here one of the Jury was sent for from the other Court, and Mr. Scott ceased till his return, when he addressed some more observations to the Jury, and concluded by expressing his confidence that the verdict of the Jury would be in favour of the Plaintiff.

(The following are the letters which were read by Mr. Scott in the course of his statement.)

No. 1.—Dated CARNEW, June 12, 1824.

(Copy Letter from defendant to Mr. John Burland.)

"MY DEAR FRIEND.—As I am well aware that you value my interest, which must tend in the end to be also your interest, that you will not fail, let what will occur, to come on Monday next to Carnew to me, as I have business of IMPORTANCE to communicate to you. I have therefore to request of you that you will let nothing prevent your coming to me. I am, my dear Friend, with the highest respect and esteem, your ever sincere friend till death, and your faithful brother,

WILLIAM GOWAN."

"The love that exists between us, Brothers, shall never be broken down or separated!"

"To Mr. John Burland, Loggan."

No. 2.—Dated CARNEW, Nov. 8, 1824.

"MY DEAR SIR.—As I have got every thing settled, I would wish to see you early in the morning, or this evening. I have now nothing to fear; they are all at Mount Nebo in despair. I have been successful about getting the money! Compliments to Mrs. Burland and the family, and believe me, my Dear Sir, to remain till death, your sincere friend.

WILLIAM GOWAN."

N. B.—"I will be going from home to-morrow, and will not be back for some days, but I wish to see you in person before I go."

"Mr. John Burland, Loggan."

No. 4.—Dated CARNEW, July 12, 1825.

"MY DEAR SIR.—I am not surprised at your being a little uneasy at seeing me, but I am not so bad as you imagine, or as you say in your note of this day, for if I had heard or seen more I would be with you immediately, as I promised. I am just after receiving a letter from OGLE, written by the desire of LAWLESS, denying any knowledge of it, and saying he will ever stand just to my cause; he will be down with Counsellor M'KANE in a few days in the country. I enclose you his letter. LAWLESS's wife is down at MOORE's, at Sandysford, at present. I sent word by her for MOORE to come to me. I am waiting to see him before I see you, and therefore I don't like to leave the house a moment expecting to see him, as I am sure if he came here and I out, he would be off to Gorey, or down thatside; considering this, I am sure you don't blame me. OGLE was so astonished that he mentions in his letter, that he was afraid you, MOORE or LAWLESS was bribed! If possible come to the Market on Thursday, or write to me, and when you appoint a day, on Thursday, I will go to you. LAWLESS's wife told me here, that so far from him knowing any thing about the report, that he has often told her, and they by themselves, that he would not leave me for £500, and she said she was sure MOORE knew nothing about it. I also heard that it was a making of the opposite side to put out such a report in the country.—Keep up your spirits and fear not! we will be victorious!! Great preparations for the Bonfire to-night!!!

"Until death, ever sincerely and affectionately your's,

WILLIAM GOWAN."

"Mr. John Burland, Loggan."

No. 10. Dated—3, BERGAN-PLACE, July 10, 1825.

"MY DEAR WILLIAM.—I was somewhat astonished when I returned from town this moment, where I have been all the morning, to find that you had written a letter to William Lawless, which came here this morning, during my absence, and was sent to him immediately on receipt, by his sister.—Fanny (Mrs Gowan) tells me he came back here immediately after, but did not shew her any of the letter, but to tell her to tell me to write to you in his name, to say that he disavowed all knowledge of the thing! that he was still faithful to your cause, and that he would soon see you in the country. I confess the news had surprised me a little, as I infer from it that some of them have bribed either Burland, Moore or Lawless! I am still more amazed that you should write to him upon the subject, but not say a word to me about it. I now beg you will let me know all particulars by return of post, as you must be aware, I must necessarily be anxious upon the subject! You did not send the book.

Your's, very truly,

OGLE R. GOWAN, 11

"To Mr. Wm. Gowan, at Mr. Graham's, Carnew"  
(bearing the Dublin post-mark.)