

TO LADY AILESBUURY 13 JUNE 1761

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the expense of my character, for I own I am ashamed when I look back and see four sides of paper scribbled over with nothings.

Your Ladyship's most faithful servant,

HOR. WALPOLE

From HERTFORD, Wednesday 1 July 1761

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Carlisle, July 1st 1761.

Dear Horry,

YOU have goodness enough to interest yourself for the whole caravan and will not be sorry to hear it is got well here. The first three days of our journey were excessively hot; we had no thunder or heavy rain on our journey. The coach who did not travel with us got some of it at Grantham. We stayed two whole days at Chatsworth, and dined another at Wentworth Castle, which is a charming place full of beauties and full of taste. Tomorrow we go into Scotland and hope to be in Ireland on Sunday. Pray tell me when you can learn anything about the Coronation; it is a point in which I am interested, if it should be fixed for this year.¹

Lady Hertford etc. desire their best compliments, and I am, dear Horry,

Yours most truly and affectionately,

HERTFORD

From CONWAY, ca Wednesday 1 July 1761

Missing; answered *post* 14 July 1761. Conway's next letter (8 July, also missing) took two weeks to reach HW and this one presumably took about as long.

1. The date of the Coronation had not yet been set (*ante* 13 June 1761, n. 30).