Letter from John Ogilvy, Balfour, to James Rattray, Craighall, 1677 April: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Rattray family of Craighall [manuscript], 1593-1699.. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS X.c.61 (137), Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Dear brother

I am sorie that I could not uait on you this morning as I intended in regaird I have taken ane ulcer on the innerside of my thy; & it is impossible for me to ryd till it brake houever I shall uish the Lord to direct ye aright in this time of your aflictione; & goduilling if I should come on foot I shall see you on thoursday; if you think it fitt; I think you may remove the bed out of the bak chamber & appoy [n]t it only uith tuo teables joyned in lenth, for the noblemen & the best of the gentrie, for in the hall you cannot sett any covered table; I have sent you somethings uith the bearer, & the laird of Ruthens; can give you for pleats & trinshers; & lett me knou if ye uill have any spouns I shall send ane dizen & tuo silver coups, if you please pray ye be of good comfort, & chirrish your selfe & your good lady mother as much as ye can your sister is treuly verrie ill evry night since shee come home & I am

Your faithfull servant and brother Iohn Ogilvy

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These ffor the Laird of Craighall

On the death of & funeral dinner