

**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.**

leaf 1 recto

Dear brother

I am sorie *that* I could not wait on you this morning as I
intended in regard I have taken ane ulcer on *the* innerside
of my thy; & it is impossible for me to ryd till it brake
houever I shall wish the Lord to direct ^{ye} aright in this time
of your afflictione; & 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 *with* tuo teables joynd 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 *with* 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

leaf 1 verso || leaf 2 recto

leaf 2 verso

These
ffor the Laird
of Craighall

On the death of
& ^{^funeral} dinner