

Dear Loving son James. I hope you will not forget paying me your loving mother a visit as your brother John did these seven long years you and him came to see me for if in peace I could brave the ocean I would night and day rove until a sight of him I see.

Dear loving sons. I hope ye will in no ways neglect omit writing an answer to this letter

Der sons let fall a small drop of the blood in answer to this letter with each one's name to his own and it will further ease my grief.

My Dear daughter-in-law by name Mary Walch I hope you will not forget me like my son did. I trust in you, you might have relieve me for I am now in need of some relief for my (X?), all my grief I cannot relate. My best respect to you.

Dear James your sister Sibby is Doleful after you and I pledge you my word if you were now in my arms about you I think I would never part with you.

And your sister Mary Davis Complains of you not speaking her name in your letter and sends you her best respect, likewise to John, wife and family and are in hope to be with you there in the course of time please God.

Dear offsprings James Loftus and family is perfectly well and so is Peter and family, Thomas Redington and family, Andrew Loftus and wife. They all send you their best respect, likewise all the neighboring boys. This winter feels very lonesome for James this winter. Dear your cousin Andrew Loftus was engaged in Quarrymount and your Uncle James at (the xxx of Galway that they could not reach to write your letter but it was wrote by Daniel Mullany whom had as great veneration toward you and sends you his best respect.

The neighboring lads Catherine Nolan and her brother Martin. Bridget Corcoran, Margaret and Mark Corcoran, James Larkin and wife and family, James Cruise and mother. Michael Cruise, the Larkins and Martin sends you their best respect and is in hope to see you yet.