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The collection of Doddridge letters in the Northampton Public Library comprises 192 items, entries for which are here arranged chronologically with an author index. For each entry the following particulars are noted, insofar as the letters themselves yield such information: date (with allowance made before 1752 for the Old Style Calendar by which the year begins on Lady Day, 25 March); signature; place at which the letter was written; name of addressee; address; a brief annotation, and pagination. Items in brackets are those not found in the usual place but which can be deduced with reasonable certainty from the body of the letter. Numbers in the index refer to the number of the entry.

1-60 are before the death of Philip Doddridge  
of these 7 are from Philip Doddridge

- 1 1734 Signed "M.D." (Mrs. Doddridge) at Mr. Paul's to (Dr. Doddridge). Affectionate letter to her husband written during a visit to Mr. Paul's family mentioning her agreeable impressions of Mr. Saunders' preaching. On verso shorthand notes in the hand of Dr. Doddridge. 1p.
- 2 1739 Signed "M. Doddridge" (at Coventry) to Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Jackson's in Cannon Street near London Stone, London. Affectionate letter relating news of Coventry and their daughter Polly's improved health. 2p.
- 3 1739 June 16. Signed "Wm. Jackson" to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton. Concerns subscriptions for the Family Expositor and payments for the same. 2p.
- 4 1739 March. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Jackson's in Cannon Street, London. Affectionate letter requesting Dr. Doddridge to purchase various articles in London. 2p.
- 5 1740 Signed "M. Doddridge" to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge in Northampton. Letter expressing her concern over the serious illness of their daughter Cecilia. 2p.
- 6 1740 May 9. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton. Sociable letter describing a May garland performed by chimney sweeps and the writer's opinion concerning the affair of Miss Rappit. 1+p.
- 7 1740 September. Signed "M. Doddridge" to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge in Northampton. Affectionate letter to her husband. 2p.
- 8 1740 October 11. <sup>Signed</sup> "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton. Letter concerning the affair of Miss Rappit and the probable procurement of Mr. Miles as minister for the congregation at Salters' Hall; further orders and receipts for the sale of Dr. Doddridge's works. 2p.
- 9 1740 December 5. Unsigned fragment in the hand of Dr. Doddridge. Expresses joy at his good health and mentions reading the story of the Resurrection "with a pleasure quite inexpressible". On verso is a MS<sup>x</sup> poem signed "Mary Spencer". Appended to the fragment another fragment unsigned (in another later hand) dated December 5, 1740 and probably copied from a letter of Dr. Doddridge's. It comments on his good health and improving constitution.

- 10 1740/1 January 24. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to (Dr. Doddridge). Concerns Mr. Orton's coming to preach at Salters' Hall. 1p.
- 11 1740/1 February 10. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to (Dr. Doddridge). Informs Dr. Doddridge that Mr. Barker has accepted the pastorate at Salters' Hall. 1p.
- 12 1741 Signed "M. Doddridge" to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge in Northampton. Expresses concern over the illness of their children, reference to Dr. Doddridge's ride to Maidwell to visit Colonel Gardiner, and the news that Dr. Doddridge's book will be out of the press that same week. 2p.
- 13 1742 July 3. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at the Revd. Mr. Blake's in Blunford, Dorsetshire. Letter expressing her sympathy for Mrs. Goode in her affliction, and containing a reference to Colonel Gardiner. 2p.
- 14 1742 July 27. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Moody's in Berry Court near St. Mary's Avenue, London. Affectionate letter concerning domestic affairs. 3p.
- 15 1742 July 30. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Moody's in Berry Court near St. Mary's Avenue, London. Letter concerning a proposed settlement of an estate left to Molly Doddridge and relating to her husband that she has recently sent Master Gardiner (Col. Gardiner's son) to Mr. Aiken where she hopes he will be more free from temptations. 3p.
- 16 1742 July 31. Signed "P. Doddridge" (Dr. Doddridge) at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton. Affectionate letter to his wife concerning domestic matters, comments on the state of his health, and a request for her to send up some copies of the Family Expositor including the copy corrected for the press. 1p.
- 17 1742 August 10. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. White's in St. Ives, Huntingdonshire. Affectionate letter concerning her health and various other affairs. 2p.
- 18 1742 October 16. <sup>Signed</sup> "Wm. Jackson" at London to (Dr. Doddridge) concerning receipt of monies for Dr. Doddridge's account and miscellaneous domestic matters. 1p.



- 19 1742 December 16. Signed "M.D." (Mrs. Doddridge) (at Bath) to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge in Northampton. Affectionate letter relating her impatience to see his forthcoming book, her plans to change quarters, and her satisfaction in hearing that Col. Gardiner is well. 2p. On verso short note from Mrs. Doddridge to her children and postscript in the hand of Miss Rappit. On 2nd sheet is one page letter dated 18 December 1742, signed Eliz. Rappit at Bath, to Dr. Doddridge.
- 20 1742 Signed "M. Doddridge" at Bath to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge Jan. 1. at Northampton. Concerning a move by Mrs. Doddridge to more pleasant quarters in Bath and urging Dr. Doddridge to care for his health. Postscript signed "E.R." (Elizabeth Rappitt) sending seasons greetings. 3+p.
- 21 1743 August 12. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Malvern to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Jackson's in Cannon Street near London Stone, London. Concerning her health and giving her affectionate greetings to her husband. 2p.
- 22 1743 August 20. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Worcester to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Jackson's in Cannon Street near London Stone. Relating a recent visit of Master Hankins and Mrs. Humphreys, and informs her husband of the poor state of her mother's health. 2p.
- 23 1743 August 22. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Worcester to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Jackson's in Cannon Street near London Stone, London. Concerns her mother's illness and plans for Dr. Doddridge's forthcoming visit to Worcester.
- 24 1744 July 3. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Yarley to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at the Revd. Mr. Frost's in Yarmouth. Affectionate letter mentioning letters she has received from Dr. Hunt and from Mr. Simson from whose copy of the Family Expositor some pages are missing. Also a request from Mr. Baker for a testimonial by return post. 2p.
- 25 1744 July 25. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Jackson's in Cannon Street near London Stone, London. Sending her regards to the Jacksons and asks him to attend to various domestic errands for her. 1p.
- 26 1745 Signed "M. Doddridge" (at Northampton) to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Wilkinson's in Ipswich, Suffolk. Relating to business matters and expressing her concern for Sammy. 2p.

- 27 1745 May 19. MS<sup>B</sup> Sermon of Dr. Doddridge's in shorthand on Solomon's exhortation to liberality. Date on p.3 with '2809 Northampton.' 3p.
- 28 1745 June 30. Signed "M. Doddridge" (at Northampton) to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Purchace's in Cambridge telling Dr. Doddridge that their son Philip's illness has subsided. 1p.
- 29 1745. July 27. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at M. Waugh's at the Turk's Head, Grace Church Street, London, informing him of her safe arrival in Northampton. 1p.
- 30 1745 February 13. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton concerning receipt of monies on behalf of Dr. Doddridge. 1p.
- 31 1746 Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Lady Abney's in Newington assuring him that a recent letter from Dr. Stonhouse concerning her health should give him no cause for alarm and looking forward to his return. 1+p.
- 32 1746 April 18. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton relating to further receipts of payments for bills, expressing concern for Dr. Doddridge's investments in the Mercers Company, and relating the illness of Mr. Barker. 1p.
- 33 1746. May 27. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton regarding financial matters and his daughter. 2p.
- 34 1746 September 8. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Bath to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton. Affectionate letter speaking of her impending return to Northampton. 2p.
- 35 1747 June 2. Signed "P. Doddridge" (Dr. Doddridge) at Northampton to the Revd. Mr. Wood at Rendham near Saxmundham in Suffolk mentioning many deaths from the recent smallpox epidemic with references to the death of Mr. Ekins, and to Mr. Taylor's book on the Romans. Regrets that a trip to Norwich in the near future is not possible but hopes to see the addressee and Mr. Tozer at Wisbech for Mr. Godwin's ordination. 3p.
- 36 1747 July 31. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge. Affectionate note mentioning various people with whom Dr. Doddridge has been staying and hoping for his speedy return. 1p.

- 37 1747 September 29. Signed "P. Doddridge" (Dr. Doddridge) at Northampton, to Miss Mary Doddridge ("My dear Polly", later Mrs. Humphreys). Affectionate letter to his daughter relating the ravages of smallpox in the neighbourhood. 2+p.
- 38 1748 August 12. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to Dr. Doddridge relating the deaths of Mrs. Neal and Mr. Cromwell and praising Dr. Doddridge's letters to her. Mentions also a letter from Dr. Oliver thanking Dr. Doddridge for a copy of his book. 3p.
- 39 1748/9 January 27. Signed "P. Doddridge" (Dr. Doddridge) at Northampton to the Revd. Mr. Shepherd expressing his kindly feelings toward the addressee and his recent thoughts that he may not have long to live. 2p.
- 40 1748 March 22. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to (Dr. Doddridge) speaking of his fears that Northamptonshire roads are still infested with highwaymen, and telling of the death of Mr. Numan. 1p.
- 41 1749 July 17. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Jackson's in Cannon Street, London. Relates the illness of their daughter Polly, Mrs. Doddridge's fears for Dr. Stonhouse's failing health, her ardent wishes for Dr. Doddridge's continued health, her apologies for forgetting to pack his wig and Mr. Thomas' papers, sends respects to various friends and domestic errands. Sorry that Mr. Williamson is leaving them but glad that Mr. Taylor is continuing. 3p. On verso ink drawing of grotesque man with pipe.
- 42 1749 July 20. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton. A letter of thanks for hospitality recently enjoyed during Mr. Jackson's visit to Northampton. Also asks Mrs. Doddridge to thank Dr. Stonhouse for his recent gift to him of a book. 1p.
- 43 1749 July 27. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to Dr. Doddridge (at Mr. Jackson's) concerning Mr. Howen and the illness of his son, expressing regret that Dr. Doddridge is not able to see Dr. Oliver, telling him that Polly has recovered from her illness, and outlining various domestic errands. 3p. On verso drawing of a horned devil with initials W.R. climbing on a dead tree.
- 44 1749 August 20. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Robt. Cruttenden's, Esq. in Moor Fields, London, expressing pleasure in Dr. Doddridge's news of Mr. Cliffe and happiness in Lady Abney's recent recovery. 1p. On verso drawing of devil with initials W.R. sitting in chair.



- 45 1749 January 13. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to (Dr. Doddridge) relating the deaths of Mrs. Hughes and Lady Abney, the state of health of various friends, and various other miscellaneous matters. 1p.
- 46 1749 March 10. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton relating the death of the writer's brother and various financial matters. 1p.
- 47 1750 April 8. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Kibworth to Miss Celia Doddridge at Northampton asking her and her sister Polly to write to him. 1p.
- 48 1750 June 2. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Rev. Dr. Doddridge at Northampton regarding financial matters and recent visits by Dr. Stonhouse and Mr. Jekyll. 1p.
- 49 1750 June 7. Signed "Sarah Hunt" at Worcester to Miss Mercy Doddridge assuring Mercy of her continuing friendship and sending regards to her family. 2p.
- 50 1750 August 2. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Robt. Cruttenden's, Esq. in Moor Fields, London. Concerning the well-being of several friends, instructions regarding the purchase of various domestic articles, etc. 3p.
- 51 1750 August 5. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Kibworth to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton expressing hopes that he will improve himself at Kibworth as much as possible so as to behave in a manner satisfactory to his mother and all his relations. 2p.
- 52 1750 August 9. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Robt. Cruttenden's in Moor Fields, London, telling him of the arrival in Northampton of Dr. Oliver and his wife and expressing her sadness at the deaths of Mr. Ferguson, Mrs. Cooper, and Mrs. French's father. 2p.
- 53 1750 August 13. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Kibworth to Miss Doddridge at Northampton expressing thanks for her concern over his health and asking her to thank his mother for the recent gift of a shilling. 1p.
- 54 1750 October 17. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Revd. Doddridge at Northampton regarding financial accounts. 1p.



- 55 1750 December 4. Incomplete letter in the hand of Dr. Doddridge written at Northampton to "my most excellent friend" - later addressed as "sir", concerning the procurement of a minister for Harlestone, mentions also the opening of the new meeting at Rendham and commends the ministers there. He has recently dismissed Mr. Oxley for amorous feelings toward his daughter. Also relates the plans of Mr. Tinne to found a college of the Reformed (e.g. of Calvinists) at Breslaw. Expresses great interest in the addressee's youth scheme. 4p.
- 56 1750/ January 5. Letter in the hand of Wm. Jackson (signature cut off) at London to (Dr. Doddridge) regarding financial matters and thanking Dr. Doddridge for a copy of a book on inoculation. 1p.
- 57 1751 June 13. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to Dr. Doddridge urging him to care for himself in his present weak state of health. 2p.
- 58 1751 June 20. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Waugh's at the Turk's Head, Lombard Street, London, telling of their daughter Mercy's illness and sending wishes for his safe return from Sudbury. 2p.
- 59 1751 June 26. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Waugh's at the Turk's Head in Lombard Street, London. Letter written on Dr. Doddridge's birthday bidding him to care for his health, speaking of her recent illness and the recovery of Mercy, her concern for Sammy, and receipt of a kind letter from Mr. Orton. 3p.
- 60 1751 September 21. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to the Revd. Dr. Doddridge at Mr. Persall's at Taunton (crossed out) written over "gentleman going abroad in the packet boat for his health; the post master at Falmouth is desired to deliver it if possible". Letter regarding financial matters and expressing hopes that Dr. Doddridge's health will be improved by his visit abroad. Hopes that Dr. Doddridge's son will enter the Ministry. 1p.
- 61 1752 January 23. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to Mr. Neal regarding her wishes about her burial and her funeral sermon, also thoughts regarding the publication of Dr. Doddridge's works and of his character. Wishes to leave her papers and those of Dr. Doddridge to Mrs. Elizabeth Rappitt. 4p.

- 62 1752 February 20. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton referring to an enclosed list of names (not with letter) for subscriptions(?) Mr. Tozer received from his father, receipt of monies, his plans to send a copy of "ye rise and progress" and a sermon to Mr. Atlee in Lisbon via Mr. King. 1p.
- 63 1752 March 18. Signed "M. Doddridge" at Northampton to (?) concerning Dr. Doddridge's letters which she has sent to Sir George Lyttleton. 2p. On second sheet a list in another hand of Dr. Doddridge's publications "copied by me from the Doctor's own writings, C.R.: A catalogue of all the writings I have published drawn up in ye year 1749". 2p.
- 64 1752 March 20. Signed "M. Doddridge" to Mr. Orton referring to Dr. Doddridge's papers and notes to which she directs Mr. Orton's attention after his completion of work on the Family Expositor. 4p.
- 65 1752 April 14. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton informing her that Mr. Atlee in Lisbon wishes to subscribe, and mentioning a visit from Mrs. Mary Doddridge. 1p.
- 66 1752 April 24. Letter from Mrs. Isted of Ecton to Mrs. Doddridge offering to try to secure additional subscriptions for the Family Expositor on her forthcoming journey. 1p.
- 67 1752 June 2. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding payments to various people on a list sent by Mrs. Doddridge. Subscriptions for 6 sets by Mr. Chapman and his friends. 1p.
- 68 1752 June 4. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to (Mrs. Doddridge) regarding financial matters. 1p.
- 69 1752 June 13. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding financial matters. 1p.
- 70 1752 June 24. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding collection of money owed to Mrs. Doddridge and the payment of debts through her account by Mr. Jackson. 1p.
- 71 1752 June 27. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding financial matters. 1p.
- 72 1752 July 1. Signed "Wm. Jackson" (at London) to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding receipt of subscribers' money. 1p.
- 73 1752 July 25. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding receipts to be sent to her at Northampton and word that the Family Expositor is in press. 1p.

- 74 1752 August 26. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Northampton to Nathaniel Neal, Esq. explaining his decision to become a solicitor instead of a minister. 3p.
- 75 1752 August 31. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding further receipts and his concern for Mrs. Doddridge's ill health. 1p.
- 76 1752 September 19. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding financial matters and expressing his hopes that Philip will choose the Ministry and not law as a career. 1p.
- 77 1752 October 4. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at (Shrewsbury) Salop to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton telling her of Mr. Neal's answer to his letter enquiring about the legal profession, asking his mother to make enquiries about a boarding school run by Mr. Reynolds of Ware, and describing his life in Shrewsbury. 2+p.
- 78 1752 October 4. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton concerning financial matters (erroneously dated 1754, but Mr. Jackson died in 1753 - date on verso is 1752).
- 79 1752 October 12. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding payment of a bill and arrangements made with Mr. Neal concerning receipt of subscription money. 1p.
- 80 1752 October 21. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at (Shrewsbury) Salop, to Miss Mercy Doddridge at Mr. Tozer's, merchant in Billiter Square, London, thanking her for a recent letter and giving a description of Shrewsbury, comparing it to Northampton. 3+p.
- 81 1752 October 26. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge in Northampton concerning business matters and apologizing for not giving a full account because of his ill health subsequent to a narrow escape a fortnight previous. 1p.
- 82 1752 November 4. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to (Mrs. Doddridge) concerning financial affairs and relating a close escape from a load of falling bricks. 1p.
- 83 1752 November 16. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton recording recent payments to Mrs. Doddridge's account and expressing concern over Mr. Jekyll.



- 84 1752 November 25. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton relating Mr. Jekyll's death and expressing sympathy for Mrs. Nettleton, also further receipt of monies. 1p.
- 85 1752 December 1. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton concerning payment of a bill, a recent visit from Mercy Doddridge, and the writer's congratulations on Philip's final decision to enter the Ministry. 1p.
- 86 1752 December 2. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Daventry to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton telling her of his arrival at Daventry. 1p.
- 87 1752 January 3. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Daventry to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton thanking her for the many favours she showed him on his recent visit to Northampton. 1p.
- 88 1753 January 20. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton relating his plans for a trip to Bath for relief from his gout. 1p.
- 89 1753 (January 29). Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton thanking his mother for sending his bureau and for the gift of a guinea, his aspirations to prudence, and his recent reading of and admiration for Dr. Doddridge's Family Expositor. 3p.
- 90 1753 February 1. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding financial matters and relating the death of Mr. Smith. 1p.
- 91 1753 March. Signed "M.D." addressed to Mrs. Doddridge, Sheep Street, Northampton. Salutation reads "Dear Sammy" recording her concern over her father's painful affliction of a broken bone. Signed "...your faithful friend and affect. sister. M.D." 2p.
- 92 1753 March 3. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Daventry to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton informing her that he will be coming home soon with Mr. White for a visit. 1p.



- 93 1753 March 21. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Daventry to Miss Mercy Doddridge at Mr. John Tozer's merchants in Billiter Square, London, commenting on the diverse temperaments of Mrs. Reynolds and her husband, his opinions on a recent play, the "Gamester", about which his sister had written and mentioning a new play published by Dr. Young. 3 +p.
- 94 1753 March 25. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) to (Mrs. Doddridge) (at Northampton) relating the death of Mr. Cutler and directions relating to the repair of his clothes. 1p.
- 95 1753 April 21. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton telling her of his return from Bath. 1p.
- 96 1753 May 5. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge in Northampton complaining of ill health from the gout and giving the present state of their accounts. 1p.
- 97 1753 May 5. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) (at Daventry) to the Rev. Mr. Clark seeking to justify behaviour of his which has brought reproof from Mr. Clark, and telling of his decision not to enter the ministry and the reasons for it. 3p.
- 98 1753 May 8. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Daventry to (Mrs. Doddridge) speaking of his difficulties in training for the ministry. 2p.
- 99 1753 June 1. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Daventry to the Rev. Mr. Clark repeating his feelings that he is not suited for the ministry and trying to answer all possible arguments in favour of it, including the doubtful advantage in being Philip Doddridge's son, his fears of incurring the disfavour of his mother and her friends, and asking Mr. Clark to tell Mrs. Doddridge of his decision. 3p.
- 100 1753 June 28. Signed "M.D." at Northampton to (Philip Doddridge) at Daventry expressing her reactions to the letter sent by Mr. Clark concerning Philip's decision to leave the ministry for the legal profession and urging him to persevere in his theological studies. 4p.
- 101 1753 August 25. Signed "M.D." to Mrs. Doddridge at her house at Northampton but addressed to a man (Sammy?) and expressing sympathy at the illness of Mrs. Neal and her Great regard for the friendship of the addressee. 2+p.

- 102 1753 September. Signed "M.D." to Mrs. Scawen expressing her concern over her son, Philip's affairs and regretting that, because of several business affairs, she is unable to visit the addressee but will send her daughter instead. 2p.
- 1753 September 5. Signed "Wm. Jackson" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton regarding the delay in handling financial matters because of the writer's illness, also illness of Mrs. Nettleton and Mrs. Neal. 1p.
- 104 1753 October 2. Signed "P. Doddridge (son) (at Ware) to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton discussing his forthcoming situation with Mr. Pembroke in St. Albans. 3p.
- 105 1753 October 22. Unsigned incomplete letter in the hand of Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton to (Mr. Orton) expressing her concern over Mr. Godwin's transcription and correction of volume 5 from Dr. Doddridge's notes, her recent visit with her son and his forthcoming placement as a law clerk. 4p.
- 1753 October 22. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Ware to Miss Mercy Doddridge at Mrs. Doddridge's in Northampton commenting on his mother's good health, his recent meeting with Mr. Neal, the death of Mr. Jackson and that Mr. Lewis - the two men's characters contrasted, and his comments on the betrothal of Mr. Fitch and Miss Taylor. 3p.
- 107 1753 November 12. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at Ware to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton expressing further thoughts on his proposed placement with Mr. Pembroke. 3p.
- 108 1753 December 5. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton returning therewith a copy of a poem by Mr. Belsham which Mrs. Doddridge wished him to transcribe. 1p.
- 1754 January 17. Signed "P. Doddridge" (son) at St. Albans to (Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton) giving an account of his current illness. 2p.
- 110 1756 March 26. From Mrs. Phil Isted to Mrs. Doddridge concerning delivery of subscriptions for the Family Expositor. 1p.
- 111 1756 April 21. From Mrs. Phil Isted to Mrs. Doddridge thanking her for the present of one of Dr. Doddridge's books. 1p.
- 112 1756 June 10. From Mrs. Phil Isted to Mrs. Doddridge concerning delivery of a subscribed copy of the Family Expositor. 1p.

- 113 1756 November 18. Copy in the hand of Mrs. Doddridge of letter signed "W.N." (Mr. Neal) to Philip Doddridge regarding Philip's intention of leaving Mr. P. and stressing the virtue of perseverance in disagreeable situations, and advising Philip to settle his accounts with his mother relating to property (in Birchen Lane and the Honslow estate) left to the family by Dr. Doddridge. 2p.
- 114 1757 October 14. Signed "Ann Jackson" (to Mrs. Doddridge) thanking her for a recent present. 1p.
- 115 1758 January 4. Signed "Ambrose Isted" at Ecton to Mrs. Doddridge regarding subscriptions for the Family Expositor. 1p.
- 116 1758 February. Signed "Mercy Doddridge" (daughter) to Miss Rawson discounting a report the addressee had received that she, Mercy, was ill and thanking her for her solicitude. 3p.
- 17 1758 March 11. Draft of letter in the hand of Mrs. Doddridge concerning Dr. Doddridge and his great zeal for Christian work, the dissatisfaction of the congregation with Mr. G., her concern for her son and his waywardness, and her gratefulness that her other children are more tractable. 4p.
- 118 1758 March. Fragment of a letter in the hand of Mrs. Doddridge. Redraft of last part of preceding letter with additions. Note on verso "To Mr. Clark begun on February 15, ended and sent March 16, 1758".
- 19 1758 March 15. Incomplete draft of letter in the hand of Mrs. Doddridge to (Mr. Clark(?)) expressing her best wishes on the recent pastoral appointment of the addressee, speaks of the delight which Dr. Doddridge's sermons, being transcribed for publication, bring her, especially one preached by Dr. Doddridge following his recovery from a fever in 1745, speaks of her happiness with her husband. 4p.
- 120 1760 January 4. Draft in the hand of Mrs. Doddridge of a letter signed "Mercy Doddridge" (at Tewkesbury). Note at top reads "copy of my daughter's letter to Mr. Neal". An answer to a letter from Mr. Neal in which the writer expresses her beliefs regarding the established Church and non-conformism and her decision to join the established Church. 4p.



- 121 1760 June 14. Signed "M. Doddridge" (Mrs. Doddridge) at Northampton to (Mr. Hirons) answering an enquiry about the feasibility of boarding a young gentleman with Mr. Gilbert, her favourable sentiments regarding Mr. Thomas Hirons, brother of the addressee, and her painful sense of loss caused by the death of Dr. Doddridge. 4p.
- 22 1761 August 8. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton relating his vain efforts to obtain an appointment under Lord Halifax, their recent interview, and a request for her to apply again to that gentleman on his account. 3p.
- 123 1761 August 25. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at London to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton concerning further steps taken to secure Philip a position with Lord Halifax and thanking his mother for steps taken on his behalf. Also details of the estate of the late Duke of Argyle. 2p.
- 24 1762 October 19. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Rathbone Place to Miss Mercy Doddridge at Mrs. Doddridge's in Northampton thanking his sister for her efforts which resulted in a proposal made to him by Mr. Humphreys. 2p.
- 125 1762 December 6. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to (Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton) expressing gratitude for her part in securing him his present happy situation with the Humphreys. 1+p.
- 126 1763 June 28. Signed "Phil. Isted" at Ecton to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton concerning the hiring of a housemaid by Mrs. Isted. 1p.
- 7 (1764) June 27. Signed "Phil. Isted" to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton inquiring again about the person recommended by Mrs. Doddridge for a maid the year previously. 1p.
- 128 1765 April 5. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Oxford to his sister (Mary Humphreys at Tewkesbury) expressing appreciation for her letters sent him in his current illness and for Mr. Humphreys' offer to assist him financially with the expenses incurred by his illness; his decision to become Mr. Humphreys' clerk and his joy that his sister approves of that decision. 4p.
- 129 1765 April 26. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Oxford to Mrs. Humphreys at Mrs. Humphreys', attorney at law, Tewkesbury, concerning a recent letter sent by Philip to Mr. Graham, enquiries after his sister's family, and comments on his health. 3p.



- 130 1765 August 26. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Charles Street, Westminster, to (Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton) concerning repayment of £100 lent to him by his mother. 1p.
- 131 1765 November 28. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Charles Street, Westminster, to his sister (Mary Humphreys at Tewkesbury) expressing his concern over the recent illness of her children, his feelings about a proposal of Mr. Humphreys for setting him up in London, his desires to return to the Humphreys in Tewkesbury, his unhappiness in London with all its temptations, and his wish to visit her for a few days. 3+p.
- 132 1766 April 5. Signed "H. Jennings" (at Newington) to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton thanking her for a recent letter occasioned by the death of his brother and expressing various religious sentiments. 3p.
- 133 1766 July 26. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at London to (Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton) concerning his business in London and thanking her for her hospitality on his recent visit to Northampton. 1+p.
- 134 1767(?) February 14. Signed "P.I." (Phil Isted) at Northampton to Mercy Doddridge at Mr. Garles at Leicester enquiring after the health of the addressee and the welfare of her friend Miss Roberts and looking forward to her return to Northampton. 3p.
- 135 1767(?) August 24. Signed "Phil Isted" at Northampton to Miss (Mercy) Doddridge at Mr. Beresford's at Ashburn, Derbyshire, enquiring after the health of Mrs. Humphreys, telling of his sister Betty's recent move to Northampton from Bath, and relating news about various acquaintances. 3p.
- 6 1767 September 22. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to (Mrs. Doddridge at Tewkesbury) enquiring after a parcel she had sent and about Mrs. Humphrey's health. 1p.
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- 138 1767 November 5. Signed "Phil. Isted" at Northampton to Miss (Mercy) Doddridge at Mr. Garles at Leicester mentioning recent political unrest at Northampton and enquiring about Mercy's well being and return to Northampton. 3p.

- 139 1767 November 7. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at the Rev. Mr. Thomas' at Henley sending best wishes for Mrs. Humphreys' continued improved health and an offer to perform any future services for the family. 2p.
- 140 1768 March 29. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to (Mary Humphreys) expressing regret that he will be unable to accompany her on her return journey to Tewkesbury. 1p.
- 141 1768 August 1. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Mrs. Humphreys at Northampton expressing pleasure at her safe arrival in Northampton and relating the activities of her children. 2 + p.
- 142 1768 August 1. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Mrs. Humphreys (at Northampton) relating the postponement of a journey to Dr. Leigh, the poor health of her son Jack's master, and Philip's hopes for the "Cirencester plan". 3p.
- 143 1768 August 25. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Mrs. Humphreys (at Northampton) concerning his difficulty in obtaining franks, his joy in hearing of her outings, and his forthcoming gift to her of a book. 3p.
- 144 1768 October 1. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Mrs. Humphreys at the Rev. Dr. Leigh's, Halifax in Yorkshire, commenting on her reception at Dr. Leigh's and more concerning his Cirencester plans. 3p.
- 145 1768 October 17. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" to (Mrs. Doddridge) apologizing for his recent misbehaviour and asking for permission to see her. 1p.
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- 148 1770 February 11. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge thanking her for a recent letter and expressing further her grief at Mr. Clark's death. 2p.
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- 151 1770 September 6. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Gloucester to (Mrs. Doddridge) giving an account of his sister's health and relating the decision to take her to try the waters at Buxton. 2p.
- 152 1770 September 20. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Bromsgrove to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton relating the progress of the journey to Buxton with Mrs. Humphreys. 3p.
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- 154 1770 September 25. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton describing Mrs. Humphreys' state of health upon her arrival at Birmingham and Dr. Small's advice that she go to try the waters at Buxton.
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- 159 1770 December 1. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at Northampton commenting on Mrs. Humphreys' poor health as revealed in a recent letter from Miss Mercy Doddridge. 2p.
- 160 1770 January 1. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Mrs. Humphreys at Buxton Hall, Derbyshire, giving accounts of the activities of her children and other domestic affairs. 3p. (Although dated 1770, this appears to be 1771, as Mrs. Humphreys did not leave for Buxton until September 1770).
- 161 1771 January 14. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Mrs. Humphreys (at Buxton Hall, Derbyshire) concerning the activities of her children and the affairs of Mr. Billingsley. 3p.

- 162 1771 Signed "L. Hunt" to Mrs. Doddridge concerning Mrs. Humphreys' illness and the inoculation of a Northampton infant against smallpox. 1+p.
- 163 1771 November 23. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Miss Doddridge at Northampton concerning the poor health of Mrs. Humphreys and arrangements for his sister's coming visit. 3p.
- 164 177(?) Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at Tewkesbury to Miss (Mercy) Doddridge at Mrs. Doddridge's in Northampton regarding Mrs. Humphreys' health and tentative arrangements for the Doddridges to lodge at Tewkesbury. 3p.
- 165 1772 February 12. Signed "L. Hunt" (at Birmingham) to Mrs. Doddridge relating the death of Mr. Lucas, and the appointment of Mr. Walker, and thanking Mrs. Doddridge for a sermon of Dr. Stonhouse's she recently received. 1p.
- 166 1772 March 19. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at Mr. Humphreys' in Tewkesbury concerning the health of Mrs. Humphreys, the affairs of Mrs. Lucas, and her apprehensions about the state of affairs in their church. 3p.
- 167 1772 April 6. Signed "Phil Isted" at Northampton to Miss (Mercy) Doddridge concerning affairs of mutual friends. 3+p.
- 168 1772 June 1. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge expressing sympathy over Mrs. Doddridge's present eye infection, her joy that Mrs. Humphreys is better and that Mrs. Doddridge has settled the affair of her houses, activities of various friends, relating a recent sermon by Mr. Harris and a course in pulpit oratory to be taught by him. 3p.
- 169 1772 June 18. Signed "Phil. Isted" at Northampton to (Miss Mercy Doddridge) containing an account of a recent journey to London and news of various neighbours in Northampton. 6p.
- 170 1772 August 10. Signed "P.I." (Phil Isted) at Northampton to Miss Mercy Doddridge expressing concern at the poor health of Mrs. Humphreys and relating recent happenings in Northampton. 3+p.
- 171 1772 October 2. Signed "P.I." (Phil Isted) at Northampton to Miss Mercy Doddridge relating his recent visit to Lodington and various affairs of mutual friends. 4p.
- 172 1773 February 18. Signed "P.I." (Phil Isted) at Northampton to Miss Mercy Doddridge relating to the health and activities of various friends. 4p.



- 173 1773 August 31. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at Mr. Dugard's in Tewkesbury sending regards and best wishes to Mrs. Humphreys, and relating the recent poor health of Mrs. Rose and telling of her son, Harry's, choice to end his studies for the ministry. 3p.
- 174 1774 March 30. Signed "L. Hunt" at Bristol to Mrs. Doddridge in Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, describing a recent visit from the Stonhouses, her recent journey to Bath to see the Richards, and thanking Mrs. Doddridge for hospitality enjoyed during a recent visit. 3p.
- 175 1774 August 13. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at Mr. Dugard's, High Street, Tewkesbury, expressing concern over the weak state of Mrs. Humphreys and telling of Mrs. Rose's safe return. 3p.
- 176 1775 October 10. Signed "L. Hunt" (at Birmingham) to (Mrs. Doddridge at Tewkesbury) informing her of the arrival of a parcel from Northampton which she plans to forward at the earliest convenience. 1p.
- 177 1775 October 12. Signed "L. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at Tewkesbury expressing her sense of loss at the death of Dr. Ashworth and the health and affairs of various friends. 2p.
- 178 1775 November 30. Signed "H. Hunt" at Birmingham to Mrs. Doddridge at Tewkesbury concerning shipment of goods from Northampton to Mrs. Doddridge in Tewkesbury. 2p.
- 179 1776 June 10. Signed "S. Stonhouse" at Cheverel to Mrs. Doddridge at Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, relating news from India that the Vansittarts will be returning shortly to England. 2+p.
- 180 1776 August 29. Signed "Mary Isted" at Northampton to Mercy Doddridge relating the extreme illness of Mrs. Phil. Isted. 1p.
- 181 1778 May 7. Signed "Phi. Doddridge" at London to Mrs. Humphreys concerning his business affairs in London. 3p.
- 182 1790(?) June 6. Signed "Mary Isted" at Ealing to Miss (Mercy) Doddridge at Tewkesbury relating the sad death of Mrs. Lockwood, and mentioning an article in the paper regarding the publication of letters between Dr. Doddridge and Lord Halifax for Mercy's benefit. (Mentions the death of Mrs. Doddridge who died at Tewkesbury in 1790) 3p.
- 183 1790(?) August 29. Signed "Mary Isted" to Miss (Mercy) Doddridge at Tewkesbury thanking her for the recent present of a book and her opinions thereof. 3p.

Undated Fragments and Miscellany.

- 184 Undated fragment of letter in the hand of Dr. Doddridge (to Mrs. Doddridge) mentioning some books recently sent by Mr. Scott and the cheapness of his journey due to the kindness of friends.
- 85 Undated fragment in the hand of Dr. Doddridge "The sad news from Carthegena is some Blank to our Joys. I pray God to teach our Land Humility and Righteousness".
- 186 Undated fragment of letter in the hand of Dr. Doddridge to Mrs. Doddridge at Mrs. Axford's in Bath mentioning having finished his view of Christianity "in short and easy verse for the use of little children".  $\frac{1}{2}$ p.
- 187 Undated incomplete text of sermon. On verso shorthand notes. 2p.
- 188 Undated scriptural letter with shorthand notes on verso. ~~App.~~ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.
- 89 Incomplete undated letter signed "M.D." to Dr. Doddridge in Cannon Street near London stone, London, expressing her concern for his health and other matters relating to Mr. Owen, Mr. Birch and the recovery of their daughter Polly. On the verso is a note of 24 July - signed "M. Doddridge" at Coventry expressing thanks for condolences received 3p.
- 190 Undated account in the hand of Mrs. Doddridge of the last illness of Dr. Doddridge. 2p.
- 191 Undated (but after 1748) fragment signed "C.R." to the Honorable Sir George Lyttleton, giving names, birthdates, and death dates where applicable of the children of Dr. Doddridge. (Written in the first person. Note at bottom "copied by me from the Doctor's own list, C.R.) 1p.
- 192 1749 July 4. Copy of the Will of Dr. Doddridge.
- Also transcripts of 24 letters of Dr. Doddridge in a later hand. Location of letters not given.

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