

**Date:** 19 October 1570

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**Place:** Strachur

**From:** Archibald Campbell, 5th Earl of Argyll

**To:** Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

**Address:** To our cousyng Collein Campbell off Glenvrquhaye

Cousyng efter maist hertlie commendatiounis. We haif rasavit zour letter and quhair ze write that ze are sorye that Clangregor suld do sik noye in zour cuntrie and ouris considering yat the auchtoretie is nocht our partie. As to that in deid we confess the rychtouuss auchteretie I mein the Queinis Majestie my souverane is nocht our contrare partie. Bot gif ze mein be Hir Graceis rebellis that allegis yair auchtoretie in deid albeit yai be in our contraie we wald wische of God that the vikitnes of ye Clangregor mycht do na mair noye to zou nor yair anger mycht do aganeis us. For gif it mycht availl yai do yair devoir for it is lattin us to wnderstand that yai haif put us to thair pover to ye horne quhair of we tak werie lytill regaird. Bot tuchyng zour actioun I persaisf nocht ye less of ony commonyng as zit maid betuix zou and ze Clangregor yat yairis na appeirance bot ze to lippin for the woirst yai may do for we will nocht enter in ony farder commonyng with yaime nor zit willynglye sall suffer thame to cum within our boundis in safare as is possibill to us to lait. And for our duetie to zow God villyng we sall do as we promest to zow at our laist commonyng. And for thai men that suld pas quhair ze are except Johnne Steuart of ye Appin is to pas yair be ouris and zour desyir and zour avin guid sone the Laird of Raray and ?Fin MacCoull and the rest. I haif na skill of yair parttis as zour avin wisdom may considder. Als for ony drecting of gentillmen to zou I sie na occatioun occurrand worthie yairof consernyng ony stay in ye trubill I refer ye rest of yis to Achynbrekis letter. Fardare quhair ze write of vngodlie craift vsit in zour contrare be sum of ouris freindis. As to yat we will tak God to vitnes that ye saymin is nocht knavin to us quhilkis gif we knew we suld tak sufficient ordor yairwith gif it ware done to ane meinare man nor zour ane and puttyng asyid the tendernes we beir to zou maist

speciallie of ony of our kin bayth consernyng zour honour and weill and we  
thynk except ze haid sum surtie of ye said craift it ware nocht best  
to mak ony bruit yairof. Sua referryng to zour avin wisdoum and to ye  
nixt occatioun we commit zou to ye protectioun of God fra  
Straychtqur the xix daye of October 1570.

Zouris asswritly  
Archibald Eryll

[PS] [Faryer] commend us to zour bedfallowe  
and credence to ye paige Neill  
Campbell beirrare heiroyf.

Faryer consernyng the articlis ze write  
to us with Duncan Dow in deid we thynk  
it ware neither zour honour nor duetie to  
desyir us to do for fyif hundereith merkis  
that thing that we wald nocht do for zour  
luif quhilkis we wald prefer ane hundereth  
fauld bezoynd zour geir.

Archibald Eryll