

Date: 27 June 1570

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Place: Dunollie Castle

From: Dougal MacDougall of Dunollie

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To his maist speciall frend and eme Collyn Campbell off Glenwrquhar

Rycht honourable Sir and assurit eme efter maist hertlyest commendatiounis. I haif
ressavit zow(sic) wretyng and considerit ye samyn towart ye setting furth
off my men conforme to my Lordis dissyre and zowris.¹ Ze salbe assurit yat yai
salbe at zow in Glenwrquhar upon Satterday² at ewyn with ye chifteinis
as I spak to zow of ye quhilk ze wilbe content. Alss I sall send ye namis
of my men in wrete to zow and yaim yat cumis nocht bayth ze and I sall
towart yaim quhen tyme occuris and remember on yaim. Alss quhar ze wrete
yat yis byssynes ryndis³ to zowr honour ze salbe assurit yat quhat I
may do under God sayfand my Lord of Argyllis honour is and
salbe reddy at zour command and ye rather for zour adwertisement
off ye samyn ondowtly. Alss quhar ze bad me spek Gillespik
MacEan MacKallen I hayf done ye samyn alreddy as I had commissioun
of zow. Towart yat byssynes ye sall wit yat sayfand my Lordis honour
and ze getand his leyf and als ze knawand how my Lord of
Atholl and his serwandis ar myndit to him and his fader and frendis and ye
hoyll men off Bray [Coaldych]. Yat beand appoyntit he wilbe at
command and will not mak nay sure promiss unto ye tyme yat I cum
and talk zow in forder byssness towart him. And toward MacIanis
attowr ze sall wit assuritly yat it is trewly spokyn to me and
tald me effecteously yat ye Klan Dondochy⁴ hes promistit faythfully
to tak MacIanis and deliver him to Johne Campell⁵ and his sonis as
ane contract maid betuix yaim beiris. Yairfor I pray zow and assure zow yat
ze stay him fray cuming to yaim in ony wyss
or ellis he wilbe in handis for he wes lattly in talkyn with yaim.
Yairfor do efter zour wisdoum to sayf him as I dowt not bot ze will.
Attour becauss yare is sum secretis in yis wretyng I pray zow
efter ye redyng and consideryng off ye samyn yat ze ryf⁶ ye samyn

yat nane unfrendis get ye samyn nor rede it. As I dout nocht
bot ze will ye rather for yis my request. Hayfand na forder
occasioun at yis present bot referis ye rest to zowr nyxt adwertisement
and ye eternall hayf zow in his protexioun. At Dunollycht ye 27
June 1570. Be zouris gud frend and eme at all power to com-
mand as knawis God reddy.

Dowgall MacDowgall
off Dunollycht

[PS] The wreter heirop Jhone
Salmond⁷ makis his hertlyest recommendatouns and serwyss to zour
Maister and to Andro Quhite and Jamis Ruthwen and all serwandis.

¹ The 5th earl's letter, 8 June 1570 [109].

² 1 July.

³ Touches upon.

⁴ Probably the Campbells of Inverawe.

⁵ Possibly Lochnell.

⁶ Tear up.

⁷ John Salmond was a notary public and a burgess of Perth, 23 October 1572, AT, VI, 193c, see Introduction.