

Thomas Pennant to Richard Bull

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Dear Sir

We shall rejoice if you accept of Sir P. *[Peter]*Burel's offer offer as it will give us a chance of seeing you & yours at this place. Gwedir¹ is a in a most pleasant country with good roads about, has a market near & is I believe well enough furnished for so transient a *[illegible]*time as you propose to use it.

Moses has done all the arms in *the Snowdon part of my wales*, & seven or eight larger views in Chester He will do the arms of *in* of the *first volume* in the manner you direct. Pray inform me would you have the *Snowdon part* sent to you when it is done: but I am fearful that it will not be executed under a month to come.

The influenza has seized my family. M^{rs} Pennant is recovered, but several of our servants are ill. If they recover in time we leave home for a fortnight on the 29th. we are to visit a friend near worcester: from where I shall Elope or hone at Berkley Castle² to complete an iter sabrinum.³ an attempt long since begun & in great part finished. The seeing the light is another affair. If you do not visit Wales, pray write to inform me where you fix.

With best wishes for every individual of y^r*[your]* house I am

Dear Sir

Most truely y^{rs}*[yours]*

T Pennant
 Downing June 21 1782.

Stamp: (handstamp) NORTHOP

Stamp: (frank) FREE⁴ p. R*[Roger]* Mostyn⁵

Stamp: (postmark) 24 IV

Rich^d*[Richard]* Bull Esq^r*[Esquire]* | Stratton Street | Piccadilly | London⁶

Editorial Notes

¹ Peter Burrell's title from 1796 links him with Gwydir.

² Berkeley Castle in Gloucestershire was at this time owned by Frederick Augustus Berkeley, fifth Earl of Berkeley (1745–1810).

³ In *Literary life*, p. 28, Pennant writes of a journey by boat down the Severn from Atcham-bridge, south of Shrewsbury, as far as the home of Treadway Russell Nash in Bever, Worcestershire, again using 'elopement' as a term to describe it, but dating it to June 1783. For an earlier reference to the 'iter sabrinum', see Treadway Russell Nash's letter of 25 July 1777 to Pennant, [1305](#).

⁴ Stamped in ink.

⁵ Handwritten.

⁶ The address is not in Thomas Pennant's hand.