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1. 1764: May: Copy of the report of Bishop Hugh MacDonald to Propaganda, giving the state of the Highland District, names of priests, statistics, etc.
2. 1773: 20 Nov: To Ranald MacDonald, student at Valladolid, (later priest in Morar for fifty years), from his mother, a Protestant.
3. 1790: List of emigrants from the Highlands to Island St. John.
4. 1794: 28 Aug: From Alexander MacDonald, Kinchreggan, to Rev. Ranald MacDonald, Morar. Catholics should pledge their loyalty to the existing government.
5. 1796: 26 Aug: Rev. George Maxwell, Edinburgh, former Jesuit, to Bishop John Chisholm, with a copy of his last will.
6. 1798: 21 Apr: Rev. Angus MacDonald (future Rector in Rome) from Samalaman, to Rev. Ranald MacDonald, Morar, about a Gillis boy who wishes to be admitted to college, (from Addnamorroch)
7. 1804: 10 Mar: Bishop John Chisholm to Rev. R. MacDonald, Morar: a dispensation for marriage, and scraps of news.
8. 1804: 16 Nov: Rev. Christopher MacRa, Dornie, to Rev. R. MacDonald, Morar, with scraps of news.
9. 1805: 15 Sept: Bishop Aeneas Chisholm notifies the Pope formally of his consecration at Lismore.
10. 1807: An account for groceries paid by Bishop Chisholm.
11. 1807: July: Statement of Bishop John Chisholm's funds. (Mr. Oriens).
12. 1807: Copy of the will of Duncan Chisholm, Jamaica - including his slaves!

13. 1808: 2 Apr: Bishop John Chisholm to Rev. R. MacDonald, Morar. News. The Pope's distress. Rev. Alex. MacDonell, chaplain, has fallen foul of Glengarry somehow.
14. 1808: 13 June: Alex. MacDonell, Glengarry House, to Bishop Chisholm, about his unfortunate brother Allan, the priest who was going mad.
15. 1808: 29 June: Bishop Chisholm to Borrodale on the same subject.
16. 1808: 20 July: Rev. Ranald MacDonald, Bornish, to Rev. R. MacDonald, Morar, remarking about emigrations, Bonaparte, etc.
17. 1808: 13 Aug: Copy of the bequest of Rev. John Farquharson to the poor priests of the Highland and Lowland Districts.
18. 1810: 27 Jan: List of debts of the late John Chisholm, Knockfin.
19. 1810: 28 Sept: Receipt for 90 widders from Archibald Wilson.

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1. 1812: 6 Apr: Alex. Chisholm, Samalaman, to Rev. R. MacDonald, Morar. a chatty letter. Kelp.
- 2-4 1813 & 1814: Accounts paid by Bishop Aeneas Chisholm.
- 5 1814: 1 Nov: Rev. Alex. Badenoch to Bishop Chisholm. Procurator's account. Painting of Edinburgh chapel. Celebrations at 8 James Place, Edinburgh.
- 6 1814: 19 Nov: Robert Brown, Hamilton Palace, to Borrodale. Account of some of the wanderings of Prince Charles after Culloden.
- 7 1815: 2 Nov: Measurements of lands in Morvern - Achranish etc.
- 8 1815: 7 May: Rev. Alex. Badenoch to Bishop Chisholm. Account. The Edinburgh chapel.

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9. 25 Mar 1815: About money and property in Campbeltown.
 10. 26 Jun, 1815: Rev. Angus MacDonald, Barra, giving the status animarum of that miss:
 11. 1816: Vouchers for Donald MacLellan, Tackman of Cross, against Hugh MacDonald, Borrodale.
 12. 1816: A bond of £800 between Capt. Valentine Chisholm, nephew of Bishop Chisholm, and his wife, Ann MacRa. Copy made in ~~1818~~ 1819.
 13. 1817: Col. MacDonald's legacy.
 14. 1817: 12 Apr: Mrs. Fraser, Strichen House, to Bishop Chisholm. Her son at Stoneyhurst.
 15. 1817: 15 Nov: Acknowledgment of receipt of £50 interest on Glenaladale bond by William Chisholm, Fort William.
 16. 1817: 15 Dec: Rev. Angus MacDonald, Barra, to Rev. R. MacDonald, Morar, with news of Morar emigrants, etc.
 17. 1818: Concerning the property left by Col MacDonald, Morar.
 18. 1818: Feb. 5: About Lord Lovat's plan for a road from Morar to the mouth of Loch Nevis.
 19. 1819: Bull of appointment of Ranald MacDonald as bishop, V.A. of the Highland District.
 20. 1819: 27 Aug: Bishop-elect Ranald to Rev. J. Chisholm, Fort William, appointing him to Uist. Financial worries. Lochnell's succession.
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- 1. 1820: 10 Jan: Rev. William Reid, Edinburgh, to Bp. Ranald MacDonald. Money matters. Arrangements for Bp. Ranald's consecration. Illness of Bp. Cameron.
- 2. 1820: 20 Jan: John Fletcher, Dumans inviting ~~to~~ Bp. MacDonald to visit him.
- 3. 1822: 2 Feb: Bp. MacDonald to Rev. A. MacDonald, Barra.
- 4. 1822: 1 Apr: McNab Sancers to Borrodale (?). Mention of Marshall MacDonald.
- 5. 1823: 22 Feb: Bp. Ranald to MacDonald of Borrodale. Money.
- 6. 4 Apr: Petition by Bp. McDonald to the Justice of Peace for the arrest of Dugald McCorquadaie who broke into his house.
- 7. 10 Jan: 1824 Bp. MacDonald to MacDonald of Borrodale.
- 8. 1824: 31 Jan: Thanks to Bp. MacDonald for letter of good will on the election of Pope Leo XII.
- 9. 1 Mar: Bp. MacDonald to Borrodale. The debts left by his predecessor. Difficulties with Clanranald.
- 10. 15 May: Reply from Propaganda to MacDonald's appeal for help.
- 11. 5th July: Rev. A. Scott, Glasgow, to Mr. John MacDonald.
- 12. 7 July: The same.
- 13. 30 July: Bp. MacDonald to MacDonald of Borrodale. Little Donald is going to Paris.

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- 14. 1826: 9 Jan: Bp. MacDonald to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. Alterations to the Bornish chapel. Recent chapel-building. Debts of the mission.
- 15. --- Extract from letter of Bp. MacDonald to Rev. J. MacDonald, Arisaig, about Borrodale's debt to the mission.
- 16. 17 Aug: Rev. A. Scott, Glasgow, to John MacDonald of Glenaladale. Money.
- 17. 21 Aug: The same.

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- 1. 1827: 18 May: Bp. MacDonald to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. Plans for the division of the country into three districts, and acquisition of Blairs as national seminary. Opposition of Bp. Cameron.
- 2. 27 Aug: The same.
- 3. 4 Sept: Statement of the case for the opposition to the proposed division. Bp. Paterson's character attacked. Injustice to the Highlands. A stormy meeting of the clergy at Huntly.
- 4. 2 Oct: Rector Angus MacDonald, Rome, to Bp. MacDonald. Money matters. Students. The controversy.
- 5. 19 Oct: Rev. James Catanach, Campbeltown, to Bp. MacDonald. The same.
- 6. 20 Dec: Petition of the Campbeltown people against removal of Rev. J. Catanach from Campbeltown. Describes that parish.
- 7. 1828: 7 Mar: Bp. Paterson to Bp. MacDonald. The plot continues.
- 8. 7 Jun: Letter in almost illegible French from Marshall MacDonald (Duke of Tarentum) to Bp. MacDonald.
- 9. 14 Aug: Rules drawn up by the Bishops concerning the election of successors, government of Blairs, etc.
Plus typescript on new division of funds

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- 10. 1829: 10 Jan: Bp. MacDonald to Borrodale. The controversial arrangement. MacDonald is worried.
- 11. 4 Feb: Same to same. MacDonald is more worried than ever.
- 12. 26 May: Bp. Paterson to Bp. MacDonald: the lawsuit against Mr. Derepos. money required for Blairs.
- 13. 4 Aug: Summons of the bishops in the court of session against trustees of the late Glenaladale for payment of money owing to Bp. John Chisholm's estate. (£1,500) printed.
- 14. 14 Sept: The case for Glenaladale's Trustees.
- 15. 26 Nov: Bp. Paterson to Bp. Scott. The lawsuit against Derepos.
- 16. 12 Dec: Bp. MacDonald to Bp. Scott. The Glenaladale affair.
- 17. 22 Dec: Bp. MacDonald to Bp. Scott.

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- 1. 1830: 29 Jan: Rev. J. McGregor, Ardkenneth. The work on the chapel. Request for Rankin as assistant.
- 2. 11 Feb: Copy letter from Coll MacDonald, W.S. to Colin Chisholm, Inverness. The Morar estates.
- 3. 15 Feb: Rev. Donald Forbes, Achderry, to Bp. Scott. His quota allowance. Altar rails in his chapel.
- 4. 1 Mar: Typewritten extract from letter of Chas. Gordon, solicitor, to Bishop Scott. Lismore affairs.
- 5. 17 Mar: from the same. Case of the outlawry of Rev. Wm. McIntosh.

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- 6 1830: 25 May: Chas. Gordon, Solicitor, to Bp. Scott. The McIntosh case. Advises the removal of Bp. MacDonald from Lismore.
- 7. 16 Sept: Extract from letter of Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. Unequal distribution of students in the seminaries. The Lismore lawsuits. Failing powers of Bp. MacDonald. etc. (typescript)
- 8. 20 Sep: Bp. MacDonald (from Eigg) in the hand of Rev. Alex. MacDonald. to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. Blairs, France, the Friendly Society, etc.
- 9. 2 Nov: Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. (Extract). Bp. Paterson's dictatorial attitude with regard to the return of students to Paris. Numbers of students in the colleges. The Lismore lawsuits. (typescript)
- 10. 27 Oct: Rev. Neil MacDonald, Barra, to Bp. Scott. His fear that the landlord will take his house from him.
- 11 27 Dec: Extract: Rev. William McIntosh's sentence of outlawry has been revoked. (typescript)

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- 1. 1831: 15 Jan: Extract: Bp. Kyle to Bp. Scott. £50 bequeathed for the education of Highlanders in Blairs. (typescr.)
- 2. 4 Feb: Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. (Extracts): Character of Rector MacDonald, Rome: of Bp. Paterson: of Bp. MacDonald, etc. etc. (typescr)
- 3. 15 Mar: From Bp. Paterson. Regarding Mr. McIntosh.
- 4. 21 Mar: Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson (Extract). Bp. MacDonald's blindness. (typescr)
- 5. 13 Apr: Bp. MacDonald to Bp. Scott. Administrators for the Western District. Student Alex. MacDonald, rejected by Bp. Kyle.

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6. 1831: 24 May: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. Criticism of Bp. MacDonald. The Lismore lawsuits. The doubtful ordination of Rev. Coll McColl.
7. 7 Jun: Bp. MacDonald to Bp. Scott. Complaints about quota money: doubt as to whether Alex. MacDonald should be ordained. Worry about Bp. Paterson's behaviour. Etc.
8. 17 Jun: From George Gordon, Edinburgh. The £50 legacy of Mrs. Grant for Highland student in Blairs.
9. 20 Jun: Rev. Jas. McGregor, South Uist, to Bp. Scott. The Quota meeting. Bp. MacDonald's opposition. The Lismore affairs.
10. 10 Sept: Rev. J. Sharp, Rector of Blairs, to Bp. Scott. Complaints about Bp. MacDonald regarding expenses of students, share of Blairs costs, etc. (Extract) (typescript)
11. 8 Oct: Charles Gordon, Edinburgh, to Bp. Scott. Scott's illness; MacDonald's blindness. The Lismore lawsuits.
12. 15 Oct: Extract, Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. Bp. MacDonald's incapacity. (typescript)
13. 20 Oct: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. His recent illness. McColl's ordination. The Lismore affairs. Bp. MacDonald is going to live in Fort William.
14. 15 Nov: Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. (Extract) The death of Bp. Paterson: the question of successor: Bp. MacDonald's incapacity. (typescript)
15. 27 Nov: Extract: Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. Telling of letter from Bp. MacDonald, in which he says he wants to postulate for James Gillis as bishop in Edinburgh. (typescript)

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16. 1831: 27 Nov: Extract. Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. The question of successor to Bp. Paterson. The urgent need for a transfer of Bp. MacDonald's authority to Bp. Scott, and to avoid another Highland bishop. (typescript)
17. 2 Dec: Bp. Scott, to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. Money. The fear of Gillis being appointed.
18. 6 Dec: John Jones, to Bp. MacDonald. Nothing important.
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1. 1832: 10 Jan: Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. He has received full authority in the Western District. (Extract) (typescript)
 2. 14 Jan: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. Changes in the fasting laws. Bp. MacDonald's dotage, and Coll McColl's incompetence. Disclaims responsibility for reporting to Rome that MacDonald was in his dotage.
 3. 3 Feb: Extract from letter of Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. On the possibility of Scott getting a coadjutor. He does not want a Highlander. (typescript)
 4. 3 Feb: Extract from the same letter. Maladministration of funds, by Bp. Paterson and Bp. MacDonald. (LISMORE) (Typescript)
 5. 16 Feb: To Rev. John Sharp, Blairs. The Bishops' Funds, and how they are to distributed.
 6. 16 Feb: Distribution of Mass stipends between the three districts.
 7. 9 Mar: Rector MacDonald, Rome, to Bishop Ranald. Business.
 8. 15 Mar: Bp. Scott to Bp. MacDonald. A scolding from Scott! The old man is suspicious and difficult.
 9. 17 Mar: Bp. Scott to Abbe McPherson. He wants Murdoch as coadjutor. The financial troubles of Bishop Ranald. (Extract) (Typescript)
 10. 19 Mar: Rector MacDonald, Rome, to Bishop Ranald. Danger of invasion in Rome. Emigrations to Canada. The bishop's sad plight.
 11. 22 Mar: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. The question of a successor, lay interference, dotage of MacDonald, etc.

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12. 1832: 14 May: Reply of Rev. J. Chisholm. Provision of the islands against cholera.
13. 29 May: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm. Transfer of powers in the Western District to Bp. Scott. Settlement of the Lismore lawsuits. Students for Blairs. Gillis.
14. 29 Jun: Same to same.
15. 21 Aug: Same to same. Illness of Bp. Ranald and of Rev. Ranald MacDonald, Morar. McColl is to go to assist there. Priests are to keep registers of baptisms, etc. The Lismore lawsuits.
16. 5 Oct: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm. Death of Bp. Ranald, and the consequent confusion.
17. — Scrap of paper with the expenses of Bp. Ranald's funeral - in Scott's handwriting. (approx. £30).
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1. 1833: ~~1/1/1~~: List of Western District students in colleges. (typescript)
2. 3 Jan: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm. Registers. Bp. MacDonald's affairs. Appointment of Bp. Carruthers.
3. 1 Apr: Same to same. 2, 558 Catholics in Bornish parish! Death of Rector MacDonald, Rome. Students for Paris.
4. 23 Oct: Same to same. Sale of Lismore property. Consecration of Bp. Murdoch. How the Western District almost lost him.
5. 8 Nov: Document of submission by the troublesome Rev. W. Byrne.

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6. 1833: 11 Nov: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. The new priest, MacKay, going to Uist. Scott plans to send him to Morar later. Lovat's plans for a church there.

7. 20 Nov: Charles Gordon, Edinburgh. Campbeltown chapel. Trouble about the executors of Bishop Aeneas Chisholm's will.

8. 24 Nov: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm on the subject of Bishop Chisholm's trustees.

9. 3 Dec: Extract translation from Latin report to Cardinal Pedicini, giving statistics for both parts of the vicariate. (typescript)

10 24 Dec: Extract: Bp. Kyle to Bp. Scott. Gselic Books for Blairs. (typescript)

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1. 1834: 6 Jan: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm. Bishop Aeneas Chisholm's trustees.

2. 22 Jan: Same to same. A claim against Bp. MacDonald's estate. The priest of Barra. Chisholm is rebuked for resenting the appointment of Murdoch instead of a Highlander as coadjutor.

3. 25 Feb: Same to same. Rev. Antony MacDonald, Eigg. Clerical changes. Bishop Aeneas Chisholm's affairs.

4. 19 Mar: Rev. Wm. Byrne is leaving for America. Draft reply from Scott with J.

5. 26 March. ~~The same.~~ Bp Scott to Wm Byrne. draft.

6. 17 Apr: Scott's circular about the reconstitution of the Friendly Society.

7. 8 Jun: Allan MacLean, Valladolid, to Rev. D. Walker, giving news of the college.

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8. 1834: 6 Oct: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. His interview with the factor regarding the land in Bornish. Rev. D. Walker goes to Glengarry, Rev. D. MacDonald to Uist as assistant between the two parishes.
9. 6 Oct: Letter of appointment of Walker to Glengarry. New chapel wanted there.
10. 5 Nov: Rev. J. Chisholm to Bp. Scott.
11. 7 Nov: ~~Rev.~~ Alex. McEachen, Lochboisdale, to Rev. D. Walker.
12. 20 Nov: John MacLean, Glenforslan, to Bp. Scott.
13. 3 Dec: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm. Bp. MacDonald's affairs. Difficulties about the Bornish property.
14. 13 Dec: Fraser of Lovat to Bp. Scott. Plans for Morar chapel. Ground acquired also at Fort William, Glencoe, and Fort Augustus. He canvasses for Grant against MacLeod for Parliament.
15. 16 Dec: Bp. Scott to Rev. Donald MacDonald, Glengarry who has been appointed to Uist.
16. 19 Dec: Rev. Alex. McSwein, Strathglass, to Bp. Scott.
17. 22 Dec: Rev. W. McIntosh, Blairs, to Bp. Scott.
18. 28 Dec: Rev. Ranald Rankin, Badenoch. Elections pending. Grant v. MacLeod. Founding of the Fort Augustus mission.
19. 29 Dec: Mr. John MacDonell, Keppoch, to Bp. Scott. The stone for Bp. Chisholm's grave. The furnishing of the chapel (Lochaber?)
- Civil law concerning marriages; the elections, etc.

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1. 6 Jan: MacDonald of Glenaladale to Scott: the approaching election.
2. 12 Jan: MacDonell of Glengarry to Bp. Scott: he is furious at Scott's support of Grant against MacLeod in the election campaign, and hints at revenge.
3. 16 Jan: Copy of Scott's reply.
4. 16 Jan: Mrs. Eadie, Coul, to Bp. Scott.
5. 25 Jan: Glengarry to Scott on the election issue, and copy of Scott's reply.
6. 26 Jan: Mr. McGregor, solicitor, Fort William: re feu charter for chapel.
7. 26 Jan: Rev. Charles McKenzie, Fort William, to Bp. Scott. The recent election: new chapels at Glencoe and Badenoch.
8. 9 Feb: Rev. D. MacKay, describing conditions in Eigg.
9. 11 Feb: Rev. C. McKenzie, Fort William. The Glencoe chapel: his conditions of poverty.
10. 11 Feb: Rev. Coll McColl, Morar: preparing to build a chapel there.
11. 13 Feb: Copy of letter from Bp. Scott to Mr. H, generous benefactor. Describes state of chapels in the Highland missions.
12. 21 Feb: Rev. Wm. McIntosh, Blairs, to Scott. McEachen's Gaelic Catechism. Complaints against Rector Sharp.
13. 26 Feb: From "Long John" MacDonald, Fort William. Whisky. His recent marriage.
14. 4 Mar: Mrs. Campbell, Skipness, to Bp. Scott.

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15. 4 Mar: Rev. J. McGregor, South Uist, to Rev. C. Grant, Glasgow. About Malcolm Martin, a boy from Uist, working in Glasgow.
 16. 19 Mar: Peter McNab, Drimnin to Bp. Scott. His boy Sandy for Blairs. Charles Gordon, Edinburgh, is buying Drimnin estate.
 17. 19 Mar: Rev. Ranald Rankin, Badenoch: the site for the new chapel.
 18. 26 Mar: Bp. Scott to Rev. D. Walker, Fort Augustus. Advice. Glengarry's property for sale: Bp. MacDonald's creditors still not paid off. Rev. D. MacDonald not yet gone to Uist.
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- 11/1 27 April Bp Scott to John Chisholm, Bornish: D. MacDonald. Blais boys etc
 2. 1 May: Extract from letter of Bp. Carruthers to Bp. Scott: Catholics in Bute. Typescript.
 3. 3 May: Rev. Neil MacDonald, Barra. Protests about his removal from Barra.
 4. 29 May: Bp. Murdoch to Rev. D. Walker: how to deal with people who marry out of the church. Calls for patience in witing for improvement in conditions of the church in Fort Augustus.
 5. 14 Jun: Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish, to Bp. Scott. Rev. D. MacDonald has at last arrived. Students for Blairs. Negotiations for site for Bornish chapel.
 6. 15 Jun: Bp. Scott to Rev. D. Walker: asking him to supply one Sunday in Fort William.
 7. 20 Jun: Rev. Neil MacDonald, giving account of mission property in Barra.
 8. 2 Jul: Bp. Murdoch to Bp. Scott. Illness of Rev. C. McKenzie. Rev. W. McIntosh has gone to Barra. Rev. Neil to Knoydart. The question of proclaiming banns in Protestant church.

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9. 22 Jul: Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish to Bp. Scott. Two students gone to Blairs. Drowning of John Bethune, Stoneybridge.
 10. 5 Aug: Capt. Aeneas MacDonald, Badenoch. Negotiations for site for chapel.
 11. ^{Aug:} 7 Jul: Colin Chisholm, Inverness, to Rev. D. Walker.
 12. 26 Aug: Rev. R. Rankin to Bp. Scott. The site in Badenoch.
 13. 27 Aug: Bp. Murdoch to Bp. Scott: the latter's right to vote in Lochaber: the dinner in honour of Daniel O'Connell: the state of the Barra chapel.
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1. 5 Sept: Rev. J. Sharp, Blairs, to Rev. D. Walker. The Gaelic Catechism.
 2. 11 Sept: Thomas MacDonald, to Bp. Scott: his registration as a voter in Lochaber.
 3. 19 Sept: Bp. Murdoch to Bp. Scott. Building materials for Morar chapel.
 4. 19 Oct: Same to same. Rev. Alex. MacDonald, Moidart, and Rev. Neil MacDonald.
 5. 27 Oct: Receipt for payment of transport of lime to Morar.
 6. 27 Oct: Rev. C. McKenzie, Fort William. ~~Staircase~~ Work started, on chapel.
 7. 10 Nov: Bp. Scott to Rev. D. Walker: his hardship in Fort Augustus.
 8. 2 Dec: Angus Walker in Nova Scotia pleads with his brother the priest to go out to minister to the emigrants there.
 - 5th ^{9.} Dec: Peter MacNab, Drimnin, about his son Duncan in Rome. Rev. Chas. MacDonald coming to Drimnin.

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10. 25 Dec: Rev. Alex. MacDonald, in trouble with drink.

11. 27 Dec: Rev. Angus MacDonald, Arisaig: the building of the chapel at Bracara.

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1. 4th Jan: Mrs. Eadie to Bp. Scott.
2. 13 Jan: Rev. C. McKenzie, Fort William. The Glencoe chapel. Lord Aboyne has bought the Glengarry property. Long John has had a son: D. Cameron has left Blairs. His own bad health.
3. 20 Jan: Mrs. Eadie to Bp. Scott.
4. 24 Jan: William Gray, mason at ~~Glencoe~~ ^{Morar} chapel.
5. 4 Feb: Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. The case of Beaton's widow (Cf. letter 22/7/35). The building at Bornish.
6. 16 Feb: Rev. Angus MacDonald, Arisaig: About Rev. Alex. MacDonald's trouble.
7. 17 Feb: Rev. D. MacDonald, South Uist, to Rev. D. Walker.
8. 25 Feb: Rev. C. McKenzie, Fort William. Site for Badenoch chapel: plan of Glencoe chapel.
9. 26 Feb: Rev. C. McColl, Morar: voluntary labour in Morar chapel.
10. March: List of students for the Western District in Blairs, and other colleges. (typescript)
11. 12 Mar: William Gray, mason. Morar chapel is finished.
12. 24 Mar: Rev. Ranald Rankin, Badenoch, to Bp. Scott.
13. 25 Mar: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. The Beaton case. The site of Bornish chapel. His hopes and plans for the Highlands. His reasons for leaving the city of Glasgow.

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- 14 29 Mar: Rev. C. McColl, Morar. Chapel completed. Eviction of Roderick McDonell, Tarbert, by Lovat's orders.
- 15 31 Mar: Rev. D. MacDonald, South Uist, to Rev. D. Walker. Letter from Walker's brother in N. America.
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1. 5 Apr: Rev. C. McColl, Morar. Timber for seating in the new chapel.
2. 5 Apr: William Gray, mason; Glencoe and Morar chapels.
3. 14 Apr: Allan MacDonald, Arisaig, to Bp. Scott. Transport of timber to Morar.
4. 21 Apr: Abbe MacPherson to Bp. Scott. £200 for Badenoch fund. (Extract)
(typescript)
5. 26 Apr: Peter MacNab, Morvern. Income for the priest at Drimnin.
6. 29 Apr: Mrs. Middleton gives vestments for a Highland mission.
~~29 Apr~~
7. 29 Apr: Rev. C. McKenzie: The Glencoe chapel. Repairs at Fort William.
8. 30 Apr: William Gray, mason. Account.
9. 8 May: Rev. Angus MacDonald, Arisaig. Timber for Morar chapel. He wants a holiday for health reasons.
10. 16 May: Angus MacDonald of Glenaladale to Scott: Sites at Fort Augustus and Badenoch.
11. 28 May: Chas. Gordon to Bp. Scott. The Drimnin chapel.
12. 30 May: Mrs. Eadie to Scott.

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30 May: Rev. Alex. MacDonald, Moidart. The state of his parish.

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14. 31 May: Estimate for stonework in Glencoe chapel.

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1. 3 Jun: Mrs. Eadie to Bp. Scott.

2. 6 Jun: Rev. Anthony MacDonald, Eigg. A paltry debt.

3. 14 Jun: Bp. Kyle to Bp. Scott. (Extract). Proposed marriage of Angus of Glenaladale to Kyle's niece. (Typescript)

4. 15 Jun: Chas. Gordon, Edinburgh. Site for Glencoe chapel. He is preparing to go to Drimnin.

5. 21 Jun: From the same. On the same subjects.

6. 24 Jun: From the same. Final preparations for Drimnin.

7. 25 Jun: Mr. Cameron, refusing to pay arrears for his son who left Blairs.

8. 28 Jun: Angus of Glenaladale to Bp. Scott. His engagement to Mary Watson.

9. 29 Jun: Rev. C. McKenzie, Fort William. "Honest Belford". The Fort William property. The site at Glencoe.

10. Undated: Drafts by Murdoch and Scott of letters to the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal for a site for a chapel at Fort Augustus.

11. 11 Jul: Rev. C. MacKenzie. Dispute with Belford about the site of the Fort William chapel. The measurements of the chapel. The work being done at Glencoe.

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- 12. 15 Jul: Rev. Alex. McSwein, Strathglass. John MacDonald, student at Ratisbon being transferred to Rome. The Lismore pensioners. Ill-health of Archd. Chisholm.
- 13. 15 Jul: Contract for the vessel carrying stones to Glencoe.
- 14. 16 Jul: Rev. C. McKenzie to Bp. Scott. Work at Glencoe and Fort William chapels.
- 15. 18 Jul: Account for stones for Glencoe chapel.
- 16. 21 Jul: Mrs. Eadie to Bp. Scott. Catholics in Mull complain about having to go to Morvern for Mass.
- 17. 27 Jul: Peter MacNab, Morvern, on the subject of the priest's maintenance at Drimnin.

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- 1. 1 Aug: Rev. William McIntosh to Bp. Scott, giving inventory of property found by him in Barra on going there in 1835.
- 2. 3 Aug: Rev. Chas. Gordon, Aberdeen, to Scott. Hints about trouble in Eigg. His own need of an assistant in Aberdeen.
- 3. 9 Aug: Rev. R. Rankin to Bp. Scott. Trying to get a site a Badenoch. Allan MacNab wants to study for the priesthood.
- 4. Aug: Accounts for lead at Glencoe.
- 5. 11 Aug: William Gray, mason, reports on progress at Glencoe.

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6. 13 Aug: Rev. J. Gifford, supplying at Fort William, reports on progress on the renovation work there.
7. 14 Aug: Chas. Gordon, Drimnin, to Bp. Scott.
8. 16 Aug: Receipt for stones for Glencoe chapel.
9. 18 Aug: Contract for shipping a full cargo of stones to Glencoe. (£10 !)
10. 24 Aug: William Gray, mason: the work at Glencoe.
11. 25 Aug: Rev. J. Sharp, Blairs, on the subject of Cameron again: his brother William has left: Allan MacNab and others mentioned.
12. 28 Aug: William Gray, mason, Glencoe.
13. 9 Sept: The stones shipped to Glencoe - a list.
14. 10 Sept: The wood shipped to Glencoe.
15. 12 Sept: List of stones shipped to Glencoe. Mention of two paintings of the Resurrection.
16. 16 Sept: Peter McNab, Morvern, to Scott. Giving age of his son, and of John Macmaster in Rome. (He later corrects this).
17. 25 Sept: Rev. Alex. McSwein, Strathglass, about his brother, and Findlay Chisholm, student at Valladolid.
18. 30 Sept: Rev. C. McColl, Morar, to Scott. Mentions some emigrants who have gone to America.

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1. 13 Oct: Bp. Scott to Rev. J. Chisholm, Bornish. Wood being sent to Uist. MacNeil of Barra wants Rev. Neil MacDonald back. New priest, Allan MacLean, brother of John MacLean, Glenforsland.
2. 14 Oct: Chas. Gordon, Drimnin, to Scott.
3. 24 Oct: Rev. A. McSwein, to Scott. About Valentine Chisholm and his own brother, students. Campaign of the apostate Crotty.
4. 24 Oct: William Gray, mason, Glencoe.
5. 26 Oct: Peter McNab, Morvern, correcting his mistake (16 Sept) about his son's age. The priest's house at Drimnin.
6. 6 Nov: Thos. Fraser of Lovat. Site obtained in Fort Augustus. Still delay in getting a site in Badenoch.
7. 13 Nov: William Gray, mason, Glencoe. Workman's wages: ^{£6.3/-}~~£5.10/-~~ for twenty weeks!
8. 17 Nov: Angus of Glenaladale to Scott. Plans for Arisaig chapel. Bad news about Rev. Angus in Arisaig ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~.
9. 21 Nov: (Extract) Promises to see Dr. McPherson about site in Eigg.
- Rev. Charles Gordon, Aberdeen. (Typescript)
10. 24 Nov: Dr. Coll MacDonald, Moidart, asking Scott's help concerning an illegitimate niece.
11. 24 Nov: Bp. Murdoch to Bp. Scott. (Extract) The illness of Rev. J. Catanach, Campbeltown. (Typescript)

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11. 27 Nov: Bp. Murdoch to Bp. Scott. Catanach in Campbeltown needs an assistant, but does not want one. Mrs. Campbell, Skipness, asks for a priest to go there occasionally. (Extract) (Typescript)
12. 26 Nov: Bp. Kyle to Bp. Scott. (Extract). Wages for workmen at Glencoe. (Typescript)
13. 28 Nov: Donald MacDonald, student at Ushaw, to Bp. Scott.
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1. 2 Dec: Rev. J. Catanach, Campbeltown, dying, wants to make provision for his old housekeeper. (He died the following day)
2. 4 Dec: William Gray, mason, Glencoe.
3. 12 Dec: Rev. C. MacKenzie describing desperate poverty, fever, etc. in Fort William. He is very discouraged. Tells of work at Glencoe and in the Fort William chapel.
4. 12 Dec: Rev. Chas. Gordon, Aberdeen. He has seen Dr. MacPherson about Eigg. (Extract). (Typescript)
5. 15 Dec: William Gray, mason. Glencoe.
6. 15 Dec: Mrs. Eadie to Bp. Scott.
7. 16 Dec: Commissioners of Caledonian Canal, about site at Fort Augustus.
8. 25 Dec: William Gray, mason. Glencoe.
9. 26 Dec: Mrs. Eadie to Bp. Scott.

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10. 27 Dec: Rev. C. McColl, Morar. Painting of the Resurrection has arrived for Morar chapel. Emigrations for New Brunswick & Cape Breton. Old Mr. Ranald lives with him now.

11 28 Dec: Chas. Stuart, Cluny Castle, looking for a piper.

12 Chas MacKenzie to Greenock bank: bank drafts, 1836

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