

1847

Major Mahon

April 17th

US Club Pall Mall

14th April 1847

My Dear Sir,

I shall send you by tomorrows mail the 800 notices to Quit, signed & dated by me. I hope the [sic] will arrive in sufficient time to have them served before the 1st May. I have been considering over the numerous applications we have had for assistance on the score of Emigration, and it strikes me that many of those applying are of the better sort of Tenant, and if possible should be kept at home but at all events if determined to go, they should do so at their own Expense. I think the "first class" for us to send is, those of the poorest & worst description & who would become a charge on us for Poor Houses, "outdoor relief" and that would relieve the industrious Tenant from having such a description on the Land. I should then prefer to take the next grade of that class who hold a very small quantity of Land - I fear there are many who propose to go now, do so, because I am giving assistance, and that some of the best will go by being tempted with the assistance we give - will it not be desirable before we let them go indiscriminately, to let the List be gone thro[ugh] and Maguire, & those in the office, such as Robinson, can point out those, that it w[oul]d be desirable to send - I name this from a fear that we shall not be able to send all that apply, and that in the end the worst description will be left with us. Write to me to this Club as my letters will be sent to me the following day during the week or Ten days I shall be absent. I leave this on Saturday for Leamington, and any letter written on that day, would find me at Post Office Malvern Wells, G[rea]t Malvern on the Tuesday following

believe me

very truly yours

Denis Mahon

[Addressed to] J Ross Mahon Esq &c, Strokestown, Ireland

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