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BUCKINGHAMSHIRE, Countess of, née Albinia Bertie

Westminster 1738 – Nocton, Lincolnshire 1816
The daughter of Lord Vere Bertie, in 1757 she married George Hobart, who inherited his brother's title in 1793. He was a whig MP, an army officer and in 1762 secretary to the embassy in St Petersburg. Gossip of the day called her "an assiduous votary at the shrine of Plutus" on account of the gambling run at her house to supply her husband's deficiency in fortune. She was also an amateur pupil of Sir Joshua Reynolds. She left pastels of her children and friends, and was herself portrayed by Gardner (*q.v.*).

Bibliography

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v. Genealogy, Bertie

Pastels

Mrs Charles Rose ELLIS, née Elizabeth Catherine Caroline Hervey (1780–1803), wife of the future 1st Lord Seaford, 59x42 (Ickworth, National Trust, inv. 851828, ICK/P/133. J. P. 1911). Exh.: Paris 1911, no. 8. Lit.: Sée 1911, repr. p. 227 **Φ**

