

**MONTAGU, Duchess of, née Lady
Mary Montagu, Countess of
Cardigan**

1711 – Warkton 1.v.1775

Daughter of the 2nd Duke of Montagu, Lady Mary married, in 1730, George Brudenell, who became two years later 4th Earl of Cardigan 1732, and, in 1766, 1st Duke of Montagu of a new creation; he was constable of Windsor Castle, and the subject of a pastel by Gainsborough and an oil by Reynolds. Walpole's visit to Boughton in 1762 with the Rev. William Cole is the only indication of her interest in pastel. Her sister, Lady Isabella Montagu, Duchess of Manchester (*q.v.*), was also a pastellist. Two pastels in the 1746 inventory of Montagu House might be by Mary (*v.* English sch., J.85.134 and J.85.20845).

Pastels

J.5422.041 Duchess of BUCCLEUCH, née Lady Elizabeth Montagu (1743–1827), with a black choker and pink rose, pstl (Grosvenor Place inv. 1936)

J.5422.051 Tsaritsa CATHERINE I (1684–1727), of Russia, white dress, crown, blue ribbon, pstl, 41x32, s ↘ “Mary Cardigan” (Duke of Buccleuch; London, Christie's, 1.XI.1946, Lot 208 n.r., as of Caroline of Anspach)

J.5422.061 Young man of the MONTAGU family, in green coat and yellow vest; & pendants:

J.5422.062 Lady in red dress; J.5422.063 Lady in red and white dress; J.5422.064 Lady in black dress, pstl (Duke of Buccleuch; London, Christie's, 1.XI.1946, Lot 4 n.r., English sch., 4 gns) [attr., ?]

J.5422.081 Countess ORLOFF, pstl, 37x33 ov., sd “M. Cardigan”, 1765 (Robert Marsham-Townshend 1900; Frogal, Chislehurst, Kent, Knight Frank Rutley, 7–23.VI.1915, Lot 51 n.r.)

J.5422.101 Countess of SHREWSBURY, née Anna Maria Brudenell (1642–1702). A/r Lely pnt. (London, NPG 280)

J.5422.102 Countess of WESTMORLAND, née Dorothy Brudenell (1646–1740). A/r Lely pnt., c.1668 (Boughton)

=Heads in crayons (Boughton 1762). Lit.: Walpole 1928, p. 54; William Cole's account of his tour with Walpole, repr. W. S. Lewis & Ralph S. Brown, *Horace Walpole's correspondence*, London, 1941, X, p. 335, “several pictures in crayons by the present Lady Cardigan”

J.5422.201 Bearded man, full length, to left, brown dress, high boots, his right hand on a walking-cane, a/r Sustermans pnt. (Montagu House cat. 1898, no. 13), pstl, 41x32, s ↙ “MARY CARDIGAN” (Duke of Buccleuch; London, Christie's, 1.XI.1946, Lot 207 n.r.)