

[EXT. CHURCHYARD - DAY]

ROBERT, EARL OF GRANTHAM

Well, we've given them a memorial in London and a memorial here.

GEORGE MURRAY

I prefer memorials to funerals, they're less dispiriting.

ROBERT, EARL OF GRANTHAM

We could hardly have held a funeral without the bodies.

GEORGE MURRAY

I gather they're putting up a stone to mark those whose bodies were never found. In fact, I hear the Canadians are making quite a thing of the *Titanic* cemetery. I'm surprised at the number they found. You'd think the sea would've taken more of them.

ROBERT, EARL OF GRANTHAM

So, Murray, what have you to tell me about the lucky Mr Crawley? Nothing too terrible, I hope.

[Murray chuckles.]

GEORGE MURRAY

I've only made a few inquiries, but no, there's, er, not much to alarm you. Matthew Crawley is a solicitor based in Manchester.

ROBERT, EARL OF GRANTHAM

Manchester?

GEORGE MURRAY

His special field is company law. His mother is alive and he lives with her, his father obviously is not; he was a doctor.

ROBERT, EARL OF GRANTHAM

I know. It does seem odd that my third cousin should be a doctor.

GEORGE MURRAY

There are worse professions.

ROBERT, EARL OF GRANTHAM

Indeed.