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7 Northumberland St  
Strand  
18<sup>th</sup> March 1837

Sir,

Your letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>l</sup> addressed to my husband, has been forwarded me, and though its contents scarcely justify my again addressing you - yet I trust you will pardon the necessity of my taking so great a liberty, and for the last time. -

The manner in which you mention me in your letter startled me, as being new to me, and one to which I have never yet been subjected, adding one more regret to that of His Majesty's refusal to pay any attention to my request. -

I have now ventured to subjoin

Sir Robert Taylor  
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a letter which I thought in your possession several months past, by which some of the minutest details of my life will be made known to you, and I have added a certificate of the Chaplain of His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, which document proves me not to be his child. -

It is, I am aware, the general belief that I owe my existence to His Royal Highness but there are also many who know the contrary; - I will not here trouble you with details which would be superfluous, the only duty I have remaining is to make known to you that I had received notice that the whole mystery of my eventful life, supported by a variety of documents and letters from illustrious individuals, was about to be laid before the public, to suppress the publication of which, I had

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ventured to claim the Royal bounty, having  
no longer the means of doing so myself. —  
I was very anxious that such important  
secrets should not be exposed to the Nation,  
that means should have been recorded me  
of raising myself above such exposure,  
knowing how little is sometimes necessary  
to disturb the public tranquillity, and that  
the strongest proof in this instance would  
be brought forward to shew my claims  
to public patronage and support. —

Many persons of commanding talent,  
others of wealth and interest have offered  
me their aid, — but I wished to plead my  
own cause, and if I have failed, I feel  
I have done my duty, I have uniformly  
refused all overtures hitherto made me  
and thought it best to pursue the open  
straight-forward path of suing the

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the Royal clemency to restore me to that rank and comfort I formerly enjoyed, this has been unfortunately denied me and I have now nothing more to add no further grace to implore, but that of your pardon for having again ventured to intrude upon you.

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Your most obedient  
humble servant  
Edwardina Thinn

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Mr Thinn

I have been the honor to submit  
the doctor of the 10th June & the Queen

to the King who has ordered me

to refer him to the same

which the King has ordered

me to make to the

Queen and

to the

Sir