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Bushy House.
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Oct: 31: 1823.

Sir,

Having for so many years experi-
-enced Your Majesty's instant and gracious
kindness & taken up my pen with confidence
to express my anxiety to provide for
my then son Captain Ad. Ghesbrey Lawrence
who has the honour of being a Commander in the
Royal Navy, ^{to} whom I expect Lord Pelville
will have shortly the kindness to give the
command of a Ship. I need not inform Your Ma-
-jesty that by the rules of our service all Cap-
-tains and Commanders shall be kept a table and

I can state with perfect truth that it will be with
great difficulty I could afford my son the money
for such a purchase. I do therefore most anx-
-iously and confidently implore Your Majesty
to be graciously pleased to allow my then son
Adelphius Esq. in his house many years ago
was munificently allowed yearly from the
Privy Purse to my late unfortunate son Henry
who perished from the climate in India while
attending on the Staff of the Marquis of Hastings.
I have ventured to use the word "confidentially" be-
-cause it was a spontaneous act of bounty of
Your Majesty towards my deceased son and I now
venture to think Your Majesty will be equally

disposed to give to his brother Adolphus the
yearly allowance so graciously bestowed formerly
on poor Henry: I have every reason to believe that
my then and the Commander is a promising young
officer and one likely as he is in his profession
to have the honour of seeing your Ma-
-jesty.

I have only to conclude by leaving this and your
request of mine in your Majesty's gracious hands
and a praying your Majesty that whatever may
be the result of the power now so earnestly seek-
ed for that I am and ever must be,

Sir,
Your Majesty's most affectionate
and most dutiful Brother and Subject

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William B.

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Letters to be
kept —