

Runnington Palace

July 25th 1802

Dear Sir

Lieut. Colonel Gordon having
joined his Regiment to proceed with it on
actual service I opened myself your
letter addressed to him, and have in conse-
quence now the pleasure to reply to it —
Convinced as I am of your abilities, fidelity &
zeal, which I have had occasion to observe
for several years past, that you have been
employed under my command I am satisfied
that no person is more eligible than your-
self, for a situation in the first class of

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surveyors and draughtsmen upon the new
establishment, I shall therefore without
delay write to General Morse on the subject,
& recommend you to him in the strongest
terms - I trust there cannot be a doubt of
my application being a successful one, but
should it contrary to my expectation prove
otherwise, I shall desire you to point out in
what manner I can serve you, as I conceive
myself in honor bound to obtain an
equivalent provision for you to that which
your present situation affords, both on account
of the hardship that would attend your case,
and of the very great reason you have ever
given me to approve of your conduct since

you have been under my command. The
moment I am enabled to give you informa-
tion of the result of my endeavours to
obtain you a warrant, I shall communi-
cate the same to you; in the mean while
you may rest assured of my kind recom-
mendation & best intentions in your favor, &
that I shall ever remain

Dear Sir

Yours sincerely
Edward

London July the First 1814.



Friend David Holt

Charlton Wells

Hampton Palace
1 July 1814

My Dear Sir

I do myself the pleasure
of acknowledging the receipt of
your interesting communication
with its several enclosures on
the subject of the Manchester
School & beg to assure you,
that I have been much
gratified by the perusal of
the Laws & Principles on
which that Establishment is
govern'd

governed & the evident good fruits
resulting from them - The
extracts with which you have
favoured me from the Visit
Book are most interesting
& satisfactory proofs of
the salutatory Basis on
which the Institution is formed
& supported, and of the gratifying
effects of Instruction upon
certain poor Boys belonging
to it, and the impression
which

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London July the First 1814.



Friend David Holt

Charlton Mills
Manchester

West and Stratford

which I have through the
 source received in favor of
 the school will certainly induce
 me to avail myself of any
 opportunity, which may hereafter
 occur to visit it. — The
 admission of the 500 girls is
 an admirable change in the
 character of the Establishment &
 cannot fail to produce the
 most interesting & beneficial
 effects both on the feelings &
 minds of those who support
 it.

it as well as of those who in
consequence are supported in
moral principles & instructions by
it — When you visit London
upon the happy occasion to which
you have alluded (besides the proper
presents I offer you my sincere
congratulations) if you will
announce your arrival I will
with pleasure name a time for
seeing you — I heartily wish
with you that you could have
the prospect of seeing Joseph
Lambton as he was whom we
first knew him, but notwithstanding
standing the fact change, I
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can never forget that he is the
original source of a great
National & Individual Benefit
however he may now unfortunately
be swerving from that path of
excellence & virtue to which we
may say he has been instrumental
in leading thousands —

I remain

with sincere regard

My Dear Sir

Yours faithfully

Edward

David Holt

London July the First 1814.
 Friend David Holt
 Charleston Mills



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Stamington Palace
 1 July 1814

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London July the 2nd 1814.

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Friend David Holt

Charlton Mills

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David Holt
 White Horse
 Friday June

Capt Parker presents his Compts
 to Mr Holt, and is commanded
 by the Duke of Kent to inform
 him that His Royal Highness will
 be happy to see him at the
 Palace tomorrow / Friday /
 morning at 9 o'clock -

Stamford Palace
 7 July 1714

David Holt

GEO/ADD/7/12A

London, October the Twenty third 1815

Friend David Holt

Charlotte Quay
Manchester

Kensington Heath

Kensington Palace
23 October 1815

The Duke of Kent has received with infinite pleasure, the interesting communication with which his worthy friend David Holt has favoured him, under date of the 19th Inst, nothing could have afforded him more genuine satisfaction, than to have been present at the approaching anniversary of the Royal Lancasterian School, to be held at Manchester on the 25th Instant, and to have witnessed the distinguished progress which that institution has made above every other, from the perfect manner in which its concerns have been administered, but it behoves the Duke in candour to state, that the obstinacious refusal of Government to remunerate David Holt

his

Manchester

GEO/ADD/7/12.A

London, Octber the Twenty third 1815

Friend David Holt

Charles Holt
Manchester

Richard Strathmore

him for hopes sustained in the public
service to a very large extent, and to do
justice to other weighty claims, of which
he had always entertained a confident expec-
tation, have compelled him to make such
sacrifices and relinquishment in his Estab-
lishment, as would render it extremely
inconvenient to him at present, to incur
the slightest extra expence. Indeed he
has every reason to apprehend, that he will
be obliged, with the view of overcoming all
his embarrassments, to seek a temporary
retirement on the Continent, where he
can live out of sight, and with more
economy than is possible in his station
of life at home; but when over these diffi-
culties are over, he will make a point
of gratifying himself, in the wish he
has long entertained of visiting Manchester,

was it for the sole purpose of saving the
ambrosiation in the condition of the poor
which the noble institution here, of the
Committee of which, his friend David Holt
is Chairman, must infallibly succeed. -
in the mean while, he can only offer
his best wishes for its continuing to flourish,
and he hopes David Holt will accept
this sentiment, on his part, in terms of
the greatest warmth and cordiality. -
Of course his own good sense will point
out the necessity of being discreet in the
selection of persons, to whom he makes
known, the Duke's real situation at this
moment, and it is under the most
perfect confidence in his judgment, that
this communication is made, accompanied
by the assurance of his unalterable
friendship, and esteem. -

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London November the Eighth 1815

Friend David Holt 2
 Charlton Mills
 North and Grafton Street Manchester

Windsor Palace
 7th Nov 1815

The Duke of Kent has this moment
 received his friend David Holt's commu-
 nication of the 4th inst. and begs to
 acquaint you, that he highly appreciates
 all he says on his present situation,
 which he can assure him, was never
 detailed to any one, until he had tried
 by every means in his reach to bring
 Ministers to do him justice, but that
 having failed, it is no longer in his
 own power to do any thing else than
 meet his difficulties manfully with
 the aid of those friends, who have
 spontaneously come forward with
 friend David Holt
 Their
 Manchester

this assistance and advice, to promote
his exertion, to emancipate himself
from his difficulties, within a
reasonable time: - The Duke cannot
sufficiently thank David Holt, for the
discussion with which he has acted,
in communicating his position to such
individuals, for whose respectability and
real friendship he could answer, and
he is no less obliged to him, for the manner
in which he delivered his message at the
meeting, and in concluding this note,
he has also to thank him, for his kind
attention, in favouring him with the
satisfactory details of the proceedings
that took place, on that interesting occasion.

Windsor Palace

September 12th 1801.

Dear Sir

I have to thank you
for your letter of the 30th of June,
directed to General Gordon, containing
a very satisfactory report upon the
Progress made at Madras, from
which I collect, that though something
may perhaps occur to prevent your
getting it complete, as intended, by the
20th of September, you will certainly,
including all casualties, bring the
whole to a conclusion before the end

weather sets in, which I think is general
 is about the commencement of November.
 After that, if you chuse to claim the
 promise I made you of permitting
 you to have leave of absence, for the
 winter, there cannot be a question
 of its being granted, but I shall hope
 that you would then make a point of
 being out again in the Spring, in time
 to direct the digging up, & finishing
 of the ground, at round Head Quarters,
 and the North Barracks, which I should
 be very loath to have conducted under
 the eye of any other Person than yourself.

I think, in my last of
 July the 21st, I acquainted you with my
 intention to make immediate applica-
 tion to General Mordaunt, for you.

appointment to the first class of
surgeons and draughtsmen in the
regularly established corps. I am sorry
now to have to add, that the enclosed
paper will show you how unsuccess-
ful I have been; it is General Murre's
own hand writing. In consequence
I wrote again to the General stating
my readiness to order you home, if
your proposing an examination was the
only difficulty to be objected, for I felt
perfectly satisfied, that you would
acquit yourself of it with infinite
credit; but that if even that would not
overcome the objection made by him
of there being but one vacancy in the
first class, and that already promised,
I must require a decision known of

time, whether you were in consequence
of the new system, to lose your present
situation, which I had been led to
consider as permanent for life, and
for which you had been induced to
give up your profession. But the
General, having been absent from town
on a tour round the coast, I have
~~not yet heard from him in answer~~
to my second letter —

Your son William shall be
recommended for an Ensigny in one
of the Fusible Regiments, in North America
the second vacancy that now offers. This
will enable me to grant him the
twelvemonths leave of absence you wish
for. He must then join, after which,
when he has learnt his duty & shown

That he likes the profession, I will
take an early opportunity of recommend-
ing him to the Duke of York for a
commission in the line.

I remain

with much regard

and esteem

Dear Sir

Yours most sincerely

Edward

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Friend Lancaster
Royal Free School
St Georges Fields
Kent & Westham

Jan 16 1810

Duke of Kent
The Queen's Father

Windsor Palace
16 Jan 1810

Friend Friend

I had the satisfaction
of receiving this morning your favor
of the 12th with its enclosures, and
your polite note of yesterday
accompanying Mr Joseph Fox's
Pamphlet, which you may depend
on my perusing at my earliest leisure.
I will not enter further into the first
part of your Letter of the 12th than
to say, that I rejoice to find our
sentiments upon the point of toleration

So

so perfectly coincide, and I trust
that at no time of my life shall I
be induced to alter them: With
respect to the Duke of Sussex he assured
that I will not fail to fulfill my
promise, and I entertain no doubt of
his visiting you when the weather is
more congenial, for he is not quite
so much inclined to all climates, as
my profession has necessarily made me,
and therefore it would be unreasonable
to expect him to take this moment
for going to view your Institution:—
Nothing can be fairer than all you
have said respecting Dr Bell, and

Friend Lancaster W
 Royal Free School
 St Georges Fields
 Kent & Stetham

Jan 16 1810

I will take an opportunity of communicating
 the purport of your fresh observations
 respecting him to my Brothers: As to
 myself I have never ever seen him,
 & therefore maybe justly considered
 quite unprejudiced with regard to him,
 unless my partiality for you, which
 I do not scruple to avow, from all
 I have seen of your Character & Actions,
 maybe considered as rather tending to
 alienate me from him: But it never
 can be considered unkind to make known
 to those who patronize a man the
 grounds to be proper in private &
 then leaving it to them to draw their
 own

own conclusions: As I have much to
do at this time, and hope to see you
at my House in the Country to
Breakfast on Monday next the 22^d
inst, according to our appointment,
I will not engage more of your
time at present, but conclude here
by subscribing myself with regard
to you, &c. &c. &c.
Respectfully
your faithfully
Edward

Friend Leinster

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GEO/ADD/7/4A
London February the twenty sixth 1812
Friend David Hall
Charlton Mills

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Windsor Palace
26th Feb 1812

Sir

I am commanded by the Duke
of Kent to acknowledge your obliging
favor of the 21st with the accompanying
Official application as Chairman
of the Committee of the Lancaster
Free School at Manchester requesting
His Royal Highness to become Patron of
the same, and to acquaint
you that, he is always happy
in promoting any object which
has

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London February the twenty sixth 1812
Friend David Hall
Charlton Mill
Kent and Bathurst
Lancaster

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upon so extensive a scale that
System of Education which
made general use of the
public spirit of Religious Education
that pervades it

I have the satisfaction also
to assure you personally that
the Royal Assent most truly
attests, those benevolent &
generous principles, which adorn
your character, and that the
feels a mutual satisfaction
in

in having had an opportunity of
becoming known to one who
has shown himself so sincere
a friend to the public good

Yours truly
John Parker

For your most obed^t
servant
John Parker

David Holt

Gibraltar 7 March 1803

Dear Sir. -

I do myself the pleasure to acknowledge your letter of the 4th of January, received by the hands of Dutton on the 23rd ultimo - Having some considerable time previous thereto learned from Captain Fenwick, your wish of obtaining a Commission in the Corps of Royal Engineers, I wrote on the 9th of January to Lieutenant General Mose on the subject, strongly recommending you to his good Offices. - The answer from that Officer this day received, I now transmit, and have to recommend you immediately applying for leave of absence from Lieutenant General Bawyer for the purpose of availing yourself of the prospect of obtaining the provision for which you are solicitous, but previous to which, as you will perceive, your attendance at Woolwich is

is a point that cannot be dispensed with. — That being
complied with, I trust there cannot be a doubt of your
succeeding, which would give ^{me} very sincere satisfaction, the
more so, as the patronage attached to my situation here
is contracted within such narrow limits, that I see
scarcely any probability of my being able to provide
for you here, much as I should wish it, from the
knowledge I have of your merit and talents. —

Remain with much regard and

Esteem.

Dear Sir

Yours very sincerely —

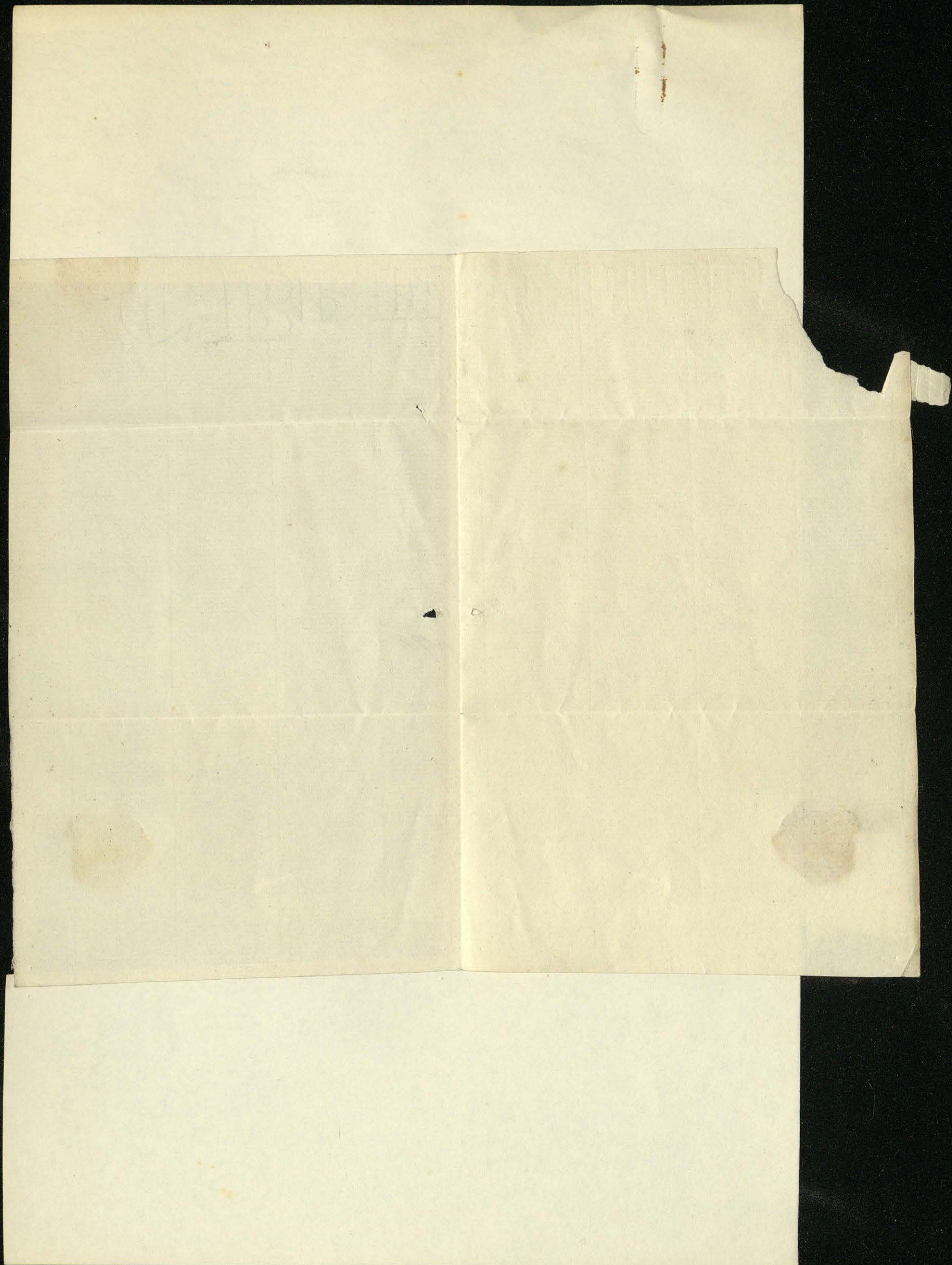
Edward

B. Malone Esquire

Huntington Palace
20th April 1814
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Captain Hussey is instructed by
The Duke of Kent to express to Mr.
Dance his commiseration, that an early
summons to the Court House this
morning, unavoidably prevents
~~him~~ his appearing his appointment
with King, about His Royal Highness
leaves on Wednesday the 22nd, to
give him the first sitting, at
about 10 O'Clock.

George Dance Esq
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George Durr Coy

H L L

Newman Street

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Northampton



GEO/ADD/7/7A
 London March the Twenty fourth 1813.

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David Helt Esq

Manchester

Windsor Palace
 24 March 1813

Dear Sir

Having this day received
 from our Esteemed friend Joseph
 Lancaster, a detail of your
 zealous exertions to promote
 that highly important object,
 the Subscription for his personal
 remuneration, & for an Establishment
 for his interesting Family, to
 which he has the strongest & probable
 claims upon the British
 Public

Public, I do myself the
pleasure, conjointly with
the Duke of Sussex, who was
present at the reading of your
Letter, to express our warmest
acknowledgements for the
Public Spirit you have shown
upon the occasion, and to
assure you, that it enhances
the high opinion we already
entertain of your merit, from
the

London March the Twenty fourth 1813.



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David Holt Esq

Manchester

Richard Grafton

the knowledge we had of all
 you had before done to promote
 the great work of Education
 amongst the poor; As it will
 require no stimulus to induce
 you to persevere in your noble
 exertions, I would only be a
 useless waste of your valuable
 time to add anything further.

I shall therefore conclude
 by assuring you of the sentiments
 of warm regard, with which I
 remain

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Dear Sir

Yours faithfully
Edward

David Kelly

Apr. 30/1813



~~She~~

The
Queen of the night
Gills is grand beyond
all description

Kensington Palace

17 Sept 1813

Friend Holt /

I have received your Letter
of the 14th inst upon the subject of
the unfortunate Situation of Joseph
Sancaster and the serious evils
which may be apprehended from
the Public exposure of his
name appearing in the Gazette
as a Bankrupt, in reply to
which I feel it due to Joseph
Sancaster to observe that in
my

my opinion he must always merit
 much consideration from the
 Public of these Realms for his
 exertions in the Cause of Public
 Education, But candor requires
 me to say, that I much fear
 his Conduct has recently been of
 such a nature as to deserve no
 more from Private friendship
 or support, for where a degree
 of Immunity by the misappropriation
 of money attaches, it becomes
 impossible to countenance the
 Individual

Individual so erring, and
the plain fact is, that his creditors
generally have been made so
deeply sensible of his misconduct
in this respect, that there are
not above two or three, out of
the whole number, who do not
consider him deserving of yet
greater disgrace than Bankruptcy
can bring upon him — As a
friend to the Man & to the Cause
which bears his name, let me
however advise you, if your own
affairs can be made to admit of,
to

to come up to Town and see Mr
Kume upon the subject, who will
I am sure with the rest of those
who have hitherto shown themselves
to be his true friends, feel every
disposition to enter liberally upon
the further investigation of his affairs.

I remain
with sincere regards
Esteemed Friend
Yours faithfully
Edward

Friend Holt