

GEO/ADD/17/14A

Mr. David Holt
 New Hummers
 Count Gordon
 Kint Hattam

Kensington Palace
 9th April 1818
 The Duke of Kent does himself
 the pleasure of acknowledging his
 worthy friend David Holt's com-
 munication of the 8th Inst. and
 thanks him kindly for the
 interesting information it contains,
 relative to the success of the Noble
 School established at Manchester
 for the gratuitous Education of
 poor Children, and the considerable
 reduction of the Debt incurred
 in establishing it. When once
 the Duke is enabled to resume
 Mr. David Holt his
 New Hummers

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Mr. David Holt
 Secy Hummums
 Court Garden
 Kent

his permanent residence in this
 country, which he looks forward
 to, in the course of about three
years, he will hope for the gra-
 tification of paying a visit
 to that great Town, and of thus
 being an eye-witness of the result
 of his friend David Holt's labors,
 and those of his benevolent assistants.
 As the Duke is only at home for a
 very few weeks, it will be utterly
 out of his power, to attend any
 part of his duty in Parliament,
 and therefore he has only the express
 wish, that some Members will
 be found, to combine in their measures,

in the Bill now before the House,
 for the management and conduct
 of Cotton Mills, and the persons
 employed therein, a due attention
 to the interest of the proprietors
 of those large concerns, with
 what is to be considered, the call
 of humanity.

Hensington Palace

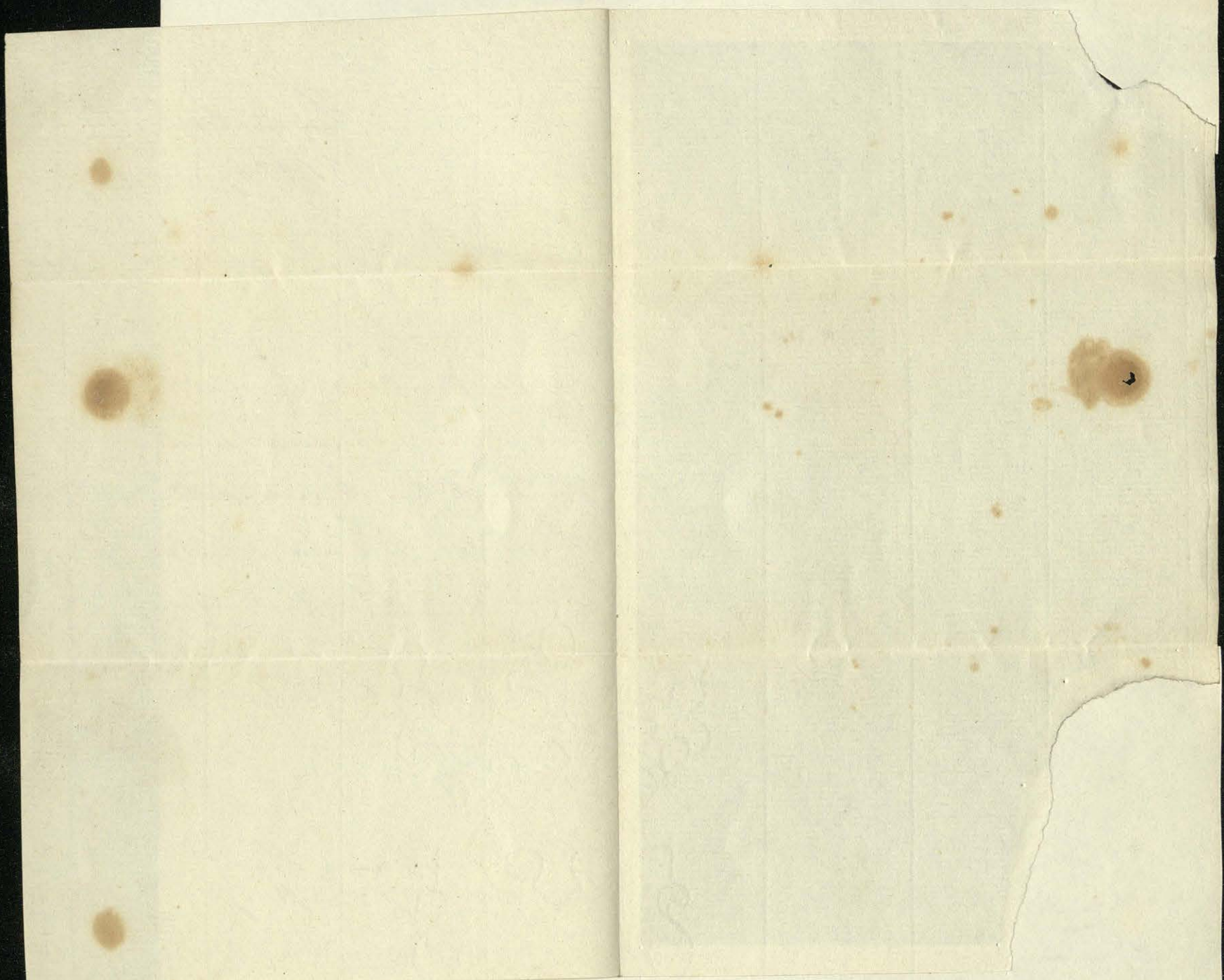
21st April 1848

Captain Harvey is instructed by
The Duke of Kent to convey to
Mr. Dawe, His Royal Highness's
regret, that unaccountably Mr. Dawe
has again returned, which will
prevent his being with the Prince
at morning worship on Thursday
from 9 to 11. Mr. Dawe may rely
on the Duke fulfilling his promise.

George Dawe Esq
H. S. P.

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George Dawe Esq

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Newman Street

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Robert Mather

Hampton Palace

23rd April 1818

Captain Harvey is instructed
by the Duke of Kent to express
to Mr. Duke, His Royal Highness's
concern, that the badness of
the morning renders it impossible
for him to keep his appointment
with him, having already a
very severe cold upon him, which
would render it extremely improper
to venture out in the wet, but
if Saturday is a fine morning,
it is His Duke's full intention
to make up for the disappointment.

George Dawe Esq

H + H

St. James's Palace

25th April 1818

My Dear Sir
 Captain Hawley is truly concerned
 to have to state to Mr. Duns that
 His Royal Highness has so soon
 a cold upon him at this time,
 that considering the circumstances
 of the weather, although perfectly
 exposed, and ready to be with him
 My Dear Sir, it is conceived it would
 be very imprudent for His Royal
 Highness to go out, at so early an
 hour: Should the Duke feel
 better towards Her Grace O'Clock,
 and not have a summons from
 George Duns Esq. Carlton
 H. T. H.

Castle House, His Royal Highness
will endeavour to call at Mr. Dawes
and if it should suit him at that
hour to take a first sitting, he
will give it him.

Kensington Palace

8th May 1818

The Duke of Kent has much pleasure
in apprizing Mr. Duer, that he
has been able to arrange to give
him a sitting as early as half
past seven, or at latest eight
ten on Monday, and which
he hopes to be able to continue
until a quarter before eleven
when his letters arrive, and to
repeat the next day, at the same
hour, but which the Duke fears
must be the last, prior to his
return to the Continent, though
George Duer Esq. if

if it should be possible to give
Mr. Davie another hour, some
time in the course of the following
week, he will endeavour to do so:
but upon that Mr. Davie must
not depend, but make good use
of the five or six hours the Duke
proposes to be able to devote to him
between Saturday and Sunday.

Private

Clarendon 12th July 1818

It is Col. Harou's instruction by the
Duke of Kent to inform Mr. Dacre,
that His Royal Highness and the
Duchess propose sleeping at
Kensington on Tuesday next, and
probably remaining there, until
Sunday; if therefore, it still should
be his wish to take the Portrait
of the Duchess, His Royal Highness
will endeavour to see him, from
one to two hours sitting, on the
five successive Mornings, for which
purpose, it is necessary that he
should be ready with his Camera
George Dacre Esq. about
H L D

about Nine on the Wednesday
After the next week is past, the
Duke does not doubt that another
opportunity will offer towards the
end of the Month, for concluding
the work, which Mr Duane may
have forwarded during these five
Sittings.

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Immediat

George Daves Esq
 L L L

22 Sturman Street
 Oxford Street
 West Westminster

Sunday Morning
 Kensington Palace
 28th August 1811

Col Murray is instructed
 by the Duke of Kent to apprise
 Mr Daves, that the Royal Highness
 is unexpectedly prevented from
 sitting to him to day, as she had
 intended, but will certainly be
 ready to give him one about
two o'clock on Tuesday, when
 the Duke will endeavour to regulate
 also, relative to his own...

George Daves Esq
 L L L

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George Duce Esq
 Hill
 22 Newman Street
 Oxford Street
 Kent & Heathman

St. James's Palace
 25th August 1818
 Lt. Col. Harney is advised by the
 Duke of Kent to apprise Mr. Duce,
 that the Duke's has been attacked
 with such a severe Tooth ache since
 Tuesday last, that for three or
 four days, it will be impossible
 for His Royal Highness to sit
 to his, with the head bare and
 neck uncovered, but after Friday,
 should this attack be over, she
 will hope to be able to resume
 her sittings, as well as His Royal
 Highness to commence his,
 who has given up going to Castle
 George Duce Esq Hill
 Hill

Well, so that Mr. Douce may now
look forward with confidence, to
some sittings from the Duke,
after Saturday.

Immediate
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George Daines Esq. -
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29 Newmarket Street
Oxford Street
Newmarket

St. James's Palace
26th August 1818

St. Col. Harcourt in answer to
Mr. Daines's note which arrived
last night after the Duke
had retired to rest, is now down
to the Duke to acquaint him,
that if he will call about two
O'Clock to day, His Royal Highness
will endeavour to give him a
sitting, and the Duke if better,
will after dinner at five O'Clock,
do the same, but it must entirely
depend upon the state of his
health, which is still very
George Daines Esq. Morning
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Morning.

Salais. April 29 - 1819

My dear Sir

I have to thank you for your report of the 11th, received yesterday afternoon, by the hands of Mademoiselle Dubouf. I am gratified to find, that you had no difficulty in procuring the several materials, for which you went over to Traneport, and I am very much pleased with your report of progress. Adverting to what you have said, with respect to the Coachman, & Groom, I must beg to remind you of the intention of making the room over the 6th Hall Stable
the

the Saddle Room, and of getting up for the Coachman a Store as large as can be got in the Centre of the roof on his own side, over the Harney's room, in order to receive all the articles appertaining to the Travelling Furniture, now absent to which used to be put in that room. I was fully prepared to hear that the Carpenters had been employed in repairing and making packing Cases for the articles, that are to be sent to England; but as Beck was to be off with the Baggage by the 14th or 15th I hope that by this time

time they will be able to keep steady to their work within the walls of the Mansion House. I am particularly pleased to find that you have already taken down the partition in the room that is to be our future dining room, and that, although you are disappointed as to being able to make use again of the Balustrades appertaining to the principal Staircase, you are enabled, out of the beads to furnish a sufficiency for the new backstairs which will much more than compensate for this trivial loss. With regard to

to the lawn, I am quite rejoiced to perceive, that so considerable a progress has already been made, and that you have met with such a seasonable supply of stone, in the vault, which you found under the mound of earth, near the church, I was from the first aware that your retaining wall at the west end would be the work of the greatest magnitude, but I am quite decided, it should be carried on, as the whole would be quite incomplete without it. You will of course bear in your recollection

that ^{that} all part of the terrae
along the road wall, which
falls beyond the fan to the
west, and reaches to the rustic
thatched seat, which you are
to erect at the western extremity
is to be a complete Arbor. You
will therefore have the goodness
to determine, upon planting
it either with Poplar, or lime
tree, or horn beams, intermixed
with the wild creeping rose,
and honeysuckle, according as
you may conceive that one or
the other tree will earliest
produce the desired effect. all the
rest of the Terrae it is wished
should have to the height of
four

four feet a strong rose, sweet
-briar, and, ^{white} thorn hedge, and
that the walk should be
amply sufficient for two
preferably for three moderate
size persons to walk abreast.

It is a great piece of good
fortune that you should have
succeeded in getting good masons,
as there is so much to do in
their line, and I think you
have determined judiciously
in limiting the number of
your female laborers adding
to those of your male. Your
arrangements with respect to
the purchase of old stone
walls seem highly judicious,
and

and I would fain hope, that
by looking round you, you
will be able to make a
similarly advantageous arrange-
ment for getting the quantity
of rubbish carted, which you
may require to render the
fan lawn completely level
across, as it would be a pity
for the sake of saving 25 or
30 £ to leave that incomplete.

In regard to the button roots
and the renunculus, as I was
to be disappointed with
respect to them, it is far better
that that should be the case
the year. I lose the enjoyment
of them, than next year when

I shall hope to see them in
all their beauty, but as this
has occurred I must rely
on your exertions, during the
Summer to collect what you
can, at a moderate rate
from the neighbouring towns
of Frankfurt, Offenbach, Hanau,
Wurgburg and Mannheim, so as
to render all our beds complete
next Spring, with a proper
succession of Tulips, Renunculation,
Anemones, Narcissuses, Hyacinths,
Pinks, Carnations &c. &c. so as
to keep the thing complete
from May, throughout the
Summer: but all I want is
what is pleasing to the eye
and

and not to go to any ridiculous or extravagant expense, with regard to the fruit you will recollect, that it is to be decided among our English friends, the Harveys and Pulteney's, Steinway's family. Before I conclude the subject of business, I shall just add that I understand that ignorant fellow Brunner the Baumeister, jealous of your superior knowledge of architecture to his, has already taken advantage of his weight with the Gentlemen, composing the Council of Regency, to impress them with the

The belief, first, that the taking down the partitions in letter B on the ground floor will be ruinous to the safety of the building, and that in taking down the staircase you have wantonly torn every thing to pieces and wasted away the materials as also that the little plan you made out by my request for fitting up an apartment for Prince Charles in the upper part of the building containing the offices is in no way feasible I have therefore to request that you will write a few lines for Mr Steinway

to translate afterwards into German, calculated to do away this absurd impetuous and that you will likewise prove the feasibility of the plan, proposed by me, and drawn out by you; for the other building accompanying it by a sort of estimate of what I should like to have a copy; for that Vagabond of a Baumeister urges the pulling down and rebuilding the whole mansion in preference to executing it, I am particularly anxious that you should do this as from the confidence I have in your abilities

abilities, and your peculiar
attention to prevent anything
being wasted, I am satisfied
that a well digested expla-
nation from you carefully
translated by Mr Steinway
must throw this worthless
ignorant fellow on his
back. I shall now
conclude this long letter by
expressing my high grati-
fication at finding that
the unfortunate difference
between the Dutcher's and
the Harveys is at an end
for there were few circumstances
I had more at heart
Depending on your writing

your second report on the
25th and upon my receiving
it about the 7th or 8th May
I shall now take my
leave till the arrival of
that affords me a fresh
opportunity of writing
assuring you in the mean
while of the Duke's
regard and of the
sentiments of friendship
and esteem with which
I ever am

My dear Sir
Yours faithfully
Edwards

19.11.1919

Kennington Palace
May 30. 1870

My dear Sir

I had the pleasure of receiving on the 28th, your report No 3, under date of the 13th which is in every respect most satisfactory. I sincerely congratulate you, upon the victory you have obtained over your difficulties, in laying the foundation of the Western retaining wall. Indeed you appear to have acted in a very masterly manner, and I feel the most perfect confidence, that success will attend your exertions.

It is particularly gratifying
to me to see too, the rapid
progress you have made, and
which I am well aware can
be ascribed to one cause
only; viz. Your indefatigable
zeal and perseverance.
Although the weather has
been cold here, there has
been but very little rain,
if therefore it has been the
same with you, there can
be but little doubt of the
progress you have continued
to make, up to the present
day, and that in four
weeks more, your expectation
of completing all the
surrounding walls, the piers

of the Gateways, the Terrace,
and the lawn, will be
realised. Here I would
wish to mention that when
you have completed this
job there are two points
I would yet like to
accomplish. The one is
that that part of the
Western Boundary of the
ground, which at present
is enclosed with logs or
pales should be shut in
by a wall instead, provided
you can make a good
bargain for old materials
to do it with, such as
you have already succeeded
so well in doing for other

parts of your work, as this
matter appears to me to
be decidedly wanting to
complete the job, after
which you can then lay
out to advantage that
detached part of the
Garden, with your usual
neatness, availing yourself
of little Princeps Rodov's
Swiss cottage, as a point
to work from. The second
point I should wish you
to attend to, if the thing
be practicable, and you
can obtain the necessary
sanction for it, is to let
in the sun of water by
a sluice into the pleasure

ground, so as to fill a Channel of such depth as you may judge fit, to be cut parallel to the walk that runs below the Terrace, and pass out again under the road into its old direction, which would have a beautiful effect from the windows of the House, particularly if the edges were well sloped off and sodded and be quite a novelty in a German Garden. I am much pleased also with the economy which you have observed in the whole of your proceedings, as well as with the fresh points

you have carried with the
Magistrates, by which our
Eastern boundary is extended
15 feet further, and you
have the prospect of obtaining
the old road wall leading
from the custom entrance
gate to the cottage, which
with the earth scarped
off in forming the road
will be a very valuable
acquisition. I conclude
you strictly observe my
injunctions of suspending
R Winsor from all pay, while
this venereal disorder is
upon him, and he is unable
to do his work. In the
meanwhile it is a great

satisfaction to find that
you have been able to
pick up a Bricklayer, who
proves so apt a scholar,
especially as there is so
little prospect, for the present,
of having the benefit of
Winsor's services. With respect
to the Drain in the cellar
I fully admit the justness
of all your observations,
and perfectly approve of
your plan of introducing
one without danger to
the building. I shall
anxiously expect, by the
end of this week, your
report of in-door progress.
In the meanwhile I remain

with pleasure that you
have at length succeeded
in bringing the several
workmen, employed in the
house, to be orderly and
attentive, for I am well
aware of the up-hill game
you had before, from the
constant unwarrantable
interruption, which occasioned
by sending at all times
for the English Artificer
to do his jobs.

It now only remains for
me to express my hope, that
I may soon receive a
satisfactory account of
your health, and in the
meanwhile I remain

with every sentiment of
friendship and esteem

My dear Sir

Yours faithfully
Edward

St. June 1. The Mail not
being yet made up and your
report no 4 of the 22^o ult^o
having this moment come to
hand, I hasten to acknowledge
the receipt of it. Nothing
can be more satisfactory
than your statement of the
progress in the interior of
the house, especially when I
consider every difficulty you
have had to contend with. I
approve highly of your not

hurrying on the putting up
of the ^{lower} flights of Stairs until
you have got the second range
of partition ^{is} completed and which I
am happy to perceive you
look forward to being the
case by the 6th inst. I
congratulate you, upon the
success you have met with
in getting the floor of letter
A on the attic story, so well
laid with batten deals, &
I only wish I could hope,
that the Carpenter, under
that ignorant and malignant
Fellow the Baumeister, may
have been induced so to copy
it, as to lay the new ones in
K and L on the same story on

an equally good plan. I own
I am a good deal disap-
pointed, at finding, that you
have been prevented taking
down the partition, that
separate B in the Attic, from
the two small rooms, on each
side of it, owing to the ceiling
of the lower drawing room
being attached to those
partitions, but I shall rely
on your well known neatness
and ingenuity, under such
circumstances, to make the
best possible job of the thing.
I am much pleased with
the purchase you appear to
have made at Frankfurt, which
enable you to make such

Capital landings for the
principal stairs and sashes
for the Dining room, of materials
in every respect so excellent.

I rejoice to find that Rich^d
Winsor has again returned
to his work, and I hope
after the other weeks con-
finement, which you tell me
he is to submit to, he will
remain permanently at it
I see with pleasure that
you have commenced upon
that very essential point,
the excavation under the
cellar window, adjoining the
Well, in order to get a water
course from it, and I
entertain no doubt but that

it will be attended with
the desired success. Nothing
can exceed the activity with
which the Western wall
appears to have been built,
Your interesting detail respecting
the moving the material,
for which from the line
of road wall, which you
at length got the Magistrate
to give you, proves the
effect of your well
directed exertions, and if
I may judge from the
quickness with which this
has gone on, of the progress
you are likely to make in
the Eastern boundary. Well,
I hope your next report

which will be to the
 just inclusion, will afford
 me the welcome intelligence
 of that being greatly
 advanced. I perceive, with
 regret, that there has been
 a necessity for giving Sander
 a monthly leave of absence
 first, because I think you
 will miss him as a work-
 man, and Interpreter, and
 secondly as I own I now
 entertain strong doubts
 of his returning. The
 malignant trait of the
 Baumeister's conduct shall
 be communicated to the
 Duchess, whenever she is
 sufficiently recovered to

to attend to business, and
 I am sure she will resent
 it as it merits. With
 regard to Mr Butler's
 representation, I have
 great satisfaction in
 assuring you, that he has
 ever done the highest
 justice to your zeal, for
 my interests, and to
 your attention to economy
 and believe me the
 explanation, with which
 you have favored me was
 not wanting to satisfy
 me, that you had resisted
 every attempt made to
 impose upon me
 I have now to come to the

painful subject of your
health, and to state, that
I feel too grateful to you
for your zealous exertions,
made even under great
pain, and uneasiness, to
wish you to stay a moment
longer, on my account, than
is perfectly consistent with
what you owe to yourself,
and your family, in
reference to the care of
your health, which is of
so much importance to
them. I anxiously hope
your son may arrive shortly,
and if he does, I shall
endeavour to persuade him
to go out immediately to

take your place during
your absence, but should
I be disappointed in this
I hope, as you assure me
that a short stay here will
in all probability restore
you, as far as the nature
of your complaint will
admit of, that you will
be able to leave just
directions, as to the mecha-
nical part with William
Winton as will, for the
period of your absence
ensure all going right,
provided Coltham & Mr
Butler will undertake to
be your overseers, for the
faithful attendance and

diligence of the Workmen,
aided occasionally by Mr
Steinway when interpreting
is necessary. Of course I
conclude you will prefer
coming home by water,
as you can do that with
so much comfort. When
you do, I shall rely upon
receiving a sketch of the
front view of the House &
Lawn, as they will appear
when all your projected
improvements are completed.
Before I conclude this, I
must beg to remind you
of my wish that if
possible the entrance Hall
A may be warmed with

a stove put up in a
niche in the centre of the
partition that shuts it off
from G, and communicating
with the flue of the one
immediately over head
in the Ante-drawing room A,
also that the stairs - H
may, if possible, be warmed
by a stove leading into a
flue which if I recollect
right there is in J, and
that you will particularly
advert to the wall I
alluded to in the foregoing
part of this letter which
I wish to replace the
rubbish or log fence, now
forming the western boundary

of the Garden, and lastly I
beg to recall to you your promise
that, although you could not
alter the steepness of the existing
back staircase, in the east wing
of the house, you would render
it much neater and particu-
larly improve its light by
taking away the present heavy
balustrades and introducing
a light one. With regard to
coloring; the Duke and my
self both wish that the entrance
Hall the principal staircase
the dining room, and all the
passages should be painted
in oil of a lively salmon
colour pannelled with white
and the shirtings white

Pray mention in your next
if Immerick has joined as
he was ^{to} do on the 1st May and
if you find him diligent
and useful.

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No 5 Kensington Palace
20th June 1799

My Dear Sir

I recd the hope that this
letter will still reach you before
you leave Amorbach I write
to apprise you that if your
health will admit of your
remaining for three weeks
later than you originally in-
tended viz the 28th or 29th July
there will be an opportunity
if you should like it of coming
to England in a Parsonage
of bus direct from Amorbach
which will leave this on July
the 10th with Mademoiselle de Sals
Captain Huber who

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who attended the Dutche's (during
 her confinement, and Mademoiselle
 Conradi her first Disper accompanied
 by Charles Lingard one of my
 servants and which after stopping
 Mad^m de Libold at Darmstadt
 will proceed with Mad^m Conradi
 to Bamberg (where it is upon
 a pension) and from whence
 the Carriage will return imme-
 diately with Mademoiselle Brognard
 the Dutche's second Disper to
 England via Brussels & Ostend
 without if your health admits
 of your awaiting yourself of the
 opportunity it will be obliging
 me to do so, first, because it
 will give me the benefit of
 your superintendance of the works
 at

at Bamberg for three weeks
 longer and then it will ensure
 the journey being executed with
 proper economy. It is calculated
 as Mad^m de Libold was not wish-
 to stop anywhere upon the road
 that she will reach Darmstadt
 on the 18th and consequently Mad^m
 Conradi should be at Bamberg
 on the 19th. You will then
 have the freedom to let the
 Carriage be thoroughly looked
 over by some intelligent
 mechanic repairs to ensure its
 running safely home may be
 done without London & Exeter
 and then there need not be an
 hour delay in your making
 every possible dispatch towards
 Ostend

ordered when you will embark
direct for London by one of the
Packets. Should you
be absent upon this day answer
me without fail by return
of Post as that may yet arrive
in time before the departure
of Mad^{lle} Siebald to enable me
to give the necessary financial
orders. As I am expecting to
receive every hour your promised
letter of the 9th Inst^l will afford
me the opportunity of writing
again I shall at present be able
to assure them my best wishes
for your health and the assurance
of the sentiments of the most
friendly regard
M^{rs} Demaria

Yours faithfully
Edward

R. The Dutchess was out for
the first time yesterday running
herself on the Terrace under
the Palace Windows and was
all the better for it.

20 June 1819

Kensington Palace

25th June 1849

My Dear Sir

I received on the 22nd Inst. your report, dated the 9th, I was much gratified, in finding from it, that notwithstanding all the difficulties, you had had to encounter, you had succeeded in raising the Eastern Boundary Wall, 160 feet high, from the Entrance Gate up to the lower part of the Terrace. I have read, with great interest, your detail of all the obstacles, you have met with, and I cannot enough admire the talent, with which you have succeeded, in overcoming them, Captain Nelson, although

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 although I perceive, with regret, you
 have been obliged to make a small
 angle, and to incline more to the
 Westward than was our original
 intention, but as you assure me
 that it cannot be found out unless
 sought for, I am perfectly satisfied.
 I am perfectly of your opinion, that
 the Old Wall, from the part of
 intersection with the new bridge,
 to the pier of the inside Gate for-
 ming the Western Boundary of the
 Church Yard must be taken down,
 and rebuilt, and I hope you will
make a point of having this done
before you leave. I write back on your
return. I perceive, with pleasure,
 that you have completed a Drain
 from the Cellar commencing its
 course

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 course through the West Wall, and
 that you had the prospect of
 completing, by the 19th the grand
 object of getting the water to act
 inside the Cellar, to effect which
 you seem to have taken every
 wise measure of precaution that
 could be wished or devised. I see
 too with equal satisfaction that
 the work, for conveying the Rain
 water into the Reservoir, is in an
 equal state of forwardness with
 the last mentioned work, and
 that, by the 2nd you expected
 to introduce the water into the
 walls of the Building, which I
 consider, the most important
 point of the whole provision. Your
 Report of the Baron at the
 lower

to the end of the West Wall at the
slope of the Terrace is very gratifying
I hope you will still be able to
accomplish, in addition to this,
the point I wrote to you about
in one of my former communica-
tions, viz continuing the ^{water} run
parallel to the wall at the foot
of the slope, coming from the
Terrace, from the Basin to the
Eastern Gate, and then returning
it back, under the road, by a sunk
drain into its original bed leading
to the Bridge, and I mention this
the more readily, as ice waiting for
the run will afford earth to raise
the ground, which you appear
to stand so much in want of.
I very highly approve of your
having

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Having undertaken to brush
up the road, and make a good
footpath, under our walls, up to
the Eastern Gate, but I think
I shall be inclined, if the ^{magistrates} are
good humoured about the matter
authorize you to proceed with the
road, and footpath from the
Eastern Gate, as far as the limits
of my apple fruit and flower garden,
which I shall be the more anx-
ious about, as that will become
my constant road, when I drive
out to Ripley, or in the direction
of Col. Hauser's quarters in pre-
ference to passing through the
rough streets of the Town. You
detail of the valuable discovery
you had made, in sinking the
shaft

shaft for the Reservoir, has been
 read with equal interest, by the
 Dutchess and myself, and I quite
 agree with you, that we have ^{most} been
 fortunate in making it. I am
 much pleased to find that letter
 B. on the second floor as well as
 L. H. & A. are in such a state of
 forwardness; I hope however you
 do not leave the fittings of L. H.
 entirely to the Paumotu, but
 that you see they are done in that
 way that will satisfy me. I remark
 also that both the Staircases are in
 very great state of progress, as well
 as the six pair of folding Doors,
 and I anxiously hope that, before
 you set out upon your return,
 which, if you receive the letter,

I addressed to you by the last
 Mail, will, I trust, be postponed
 for three weeks, you will have
 little or nothing to be done, during
 your absence, but finishing
 what you have laid out. With
 regard to the Larder, I was well
 aware, you would require an
 immensity of earth, to give it
 a general good Coat, and therefore
 cannot but coincide in the
 propriety of your purchase
 of the ground adjoining the
 Cottages at the East end of the
 Churchyard, which you have allude
 to; I only hope it will prove
 sufficient, or, if it should not,
 you will be able to discover the
 extent, where withal to complete
 the

the deficiency. I must likewise
you will not lose sight of what
I have mentioned two or three
times before, I mean the comple-
ting the Eastern town boundary
of the premises, with a Stone Wall
in place of the present wooden
fence, and that this will be in
great forwardness before you
set out, as well as instructions
given to the Gardener, how to
lay out the ground. From what
I have said to you, in my last,
as well as in this communication
I shall hope yet to receive two
reports from you, before you
quit Amorbach, after the one
of the 19th which I suppose to
be on the road at this time,

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ing on the 3rd of 17th July and that
you will yourself be the bearer
of that, which will detail the
work done between the 17th of
next month and the day of your
departure. Then supposing you
to reach home by the 1st of August
I flatter myself your health
will be so farrest established, as
enable you to
to get back to Snowbach by
Michaelmas, which will just
bring you at the very best time,
for planting and arranging
the garden, as well as for repairing
the Mansion House. As yet I
know nothing further of your
journey but in vainly expectation of
his arrival. The Dutchess writes
in best wishes for your restored
health

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health and I remain ever with
the most friendly regard
My Dear Sir
Yours faithfully
Edward

25. June 1819

Permit me Royal Duke, once again, to offer my sincere congratulations on thy return to England, a Country deservedly beloved by every one who knows how to estimate the worth of Moral and Religious feeling: A Country, that must continue to be the admiration of surrounding Nations, whilst the administration of the Laws, is conducted, with the dignity and Independence, which hath thus far been their Characteristic; and whilst the best interests of the People are watched over, and incessant exertions employed, by the Princes and many of the Nobles of the Land, to promote them, and spread Happiness with Information, amongst the poorest Subjects of the Empire.

I never see a public Charity advertised, where the Names of thyself and any other Branches of the Royal Family appear but I feel the Name of Britain dignified and exalted, and I cannot but exclaim, truly these deserve the ^{Love} of the People.

The Mercantile and Manufacturing part of the Community, are now, and have long been, in a very deplorable State: Thus, evil minded, and designing Men take advantage of, and endeavour to inflame the passions of the suffering Multitudes, who, seeking relief thro' the legitimate and usual Channels, meet only dismay, and disappointment.

That paternal Industry, seeking Bread as the reward of Labour, should in this Land of many Blessings be able to find none, demands the serious, and prompt enquiry of those to whose care, and management, the Nation's Concerns are committed. For certainly Thousands, nay Tens of thousands, in the several Manufacturing Districts, are either out of employment, or unable, even by expense, exertion to procure what will sustain their Families. Thus Circumstanced public Meetings in every direction appraise the Order of the Day; and at these, unfortunately, none use their influence to lessen the calamity complained of and calm the general perturbation: but on the contrary, excite to acts of Outrage and Violence, by which the Evil is rather increased than lessened; and a feeling nurtured, that is directly opposed to the peace and happiness of Society.

In order, successfully to meet the competition experienced both at Home, and Abroad, Labour has been had to the ingenuity of our Artizans, and Numbers, have been the contrivances, by which to supersede Manual Labour; and so successfully have these been employed that Manual Labour is comparatively of no Value; and our Fabrics are increased to such an extent in consequence, that the whole

World, to which our enterprises have carried us, does not appear likely to furnish Markets, wherein to dispose of them. Nay, their abundance, so much reduces their Value, that instead of rewarding the Labour, and Genius of the Country with Riches, they leave our people, not only unemployed but oppressed with Poverty, and seeking exile to some other Land, to avoid premature Death in their own

This Royal Duke is no exaggerated representation, of the situation, and Circumstances of a Patient, and will dispose of some of them, who have submitted to many privations, and ~~are~~ I am ready, and willing to labor, if that Labor can be disposed of, so as to bring Bread to their hungry, and suffering Families.

Most earnestly do I desire, that the Wisdom, and Benevolence, of those in the higher Walks of Life may devise some effectual Remedy for the Evils I have enumerated before it be too late.

I have another favor, Royal Duke, to crave at thy Hands, and that is, that thou wilt, make acceptable to thy amiable Consort, the accompanying present of Sewing Cotton, similar to that, which the Late Queen and thy Royal Sisters, did me the favor to accept, and

granted me the Honor of using their Name, in the Circu-
lation of, this being permitted, pray allow me, to subscribe
myself; Royal Duke, most respectfully, and sincerely
Thy much obliged Friend

David Holt

Shorten Cottage

July 5th 1819

First Letter to the Duke of Kent
dated July 5th 1819

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Duke of Kent Reply to
my Letter of the 5th

London July the Seventh 1819 GEO/ADD/7/28A

TO PAY
Friend David Holt
ONLY

Chalton Cottages
Manchester

Hunt and Gathum

Windsor Palace
7th July 1819

The Duke of Kent does
humbly acknowledge the favour
of your Letter of the 5th
inst and begs to
express to you, his most
and grateful acknow-
ledgements for the pleasing
& handsome terms, in
which he has alluded
to the Duke's return to
England, and his
humble

scumble but severe exertions
to make his presence
amongst his countrymen
beneficial to their
interests & happiness. The
Duke has only to remark
upon the subject of those
exertions, that he has
great cause to lament
that the disposition of
his heart to give
countenance & protection
to all pure sources of
Human Benevolence
cannot

cannot, under existing
circumstances be more
effectually supported by
him. — The very
just & weighty remarks of
Frederick Holt, upon the
present distressed state
of the manufacturing &
mercantile states of
Ireland, are entirely web-
by the views & feelings
of the Duke, upon the
subject, and Mr Holt
will have seen from
the Public Papers, that
scumb

such as the warm interest
he takes in all subjects
calculated in any degree
to remove or arrest the
growing calamity, that the
fear of being thought the
Disciple of a visionary,
has not deterred him from
standing forward to
countenance a fair
investigation into the
Principles & practice of Mr
Owen, whose proceedings
for the last 30 years must
at all events entitle them
to candid deliberations as
being

being founded on the basis
of the Public good, to the
prejudice (perhaps) of his
own individual interests,
I must confess I do
anticipate some good from
the excitement given by
that Philanthropist to a
dear attention to matters
of such vital importance
at this critical juncture.

The Duke has to express
to Mr Holt his best
acknowledgments for
the friendly attention
which has prompted the
present of Sewing Cotton
for

for the Duchess, and to
assure her, that whenever
it arrives she will not
fail to place it upon
her Table, as a tribute
of perfect full attachment
from one who is most
worthy of her consideration
& attentions. -

Frederick Holt