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Rev. James Hook to ? Col. McKracken

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My dear Sir

I am sure you will be as
much surprised as I am at
finding that Lord Liverpool
has given the Deanery of Exeter
to Dr Landon of Oxford, having
as I concluded from the beginning
found it impossible to place so
young a man as Sir Lowther in
a situation of that nature in
the Church -

After the truly gracious manner

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in which you represent the
Princely Regent to have entertained
my Request upon the Subject
I am sure you will feel
Regret with me upon the
present disposition of that
Piece of Preferment to a Person
who never could have had a
Pretension to it but as an
electioneering Partizan of Lord
Eldon -

I am fully aware of the
avidity with which Ministers

at all times avail themselves
of Church Preferment, but if
Lord Liverpool had been disposed
to attend to the implied Wishes
even of His Royal Highness
he might in the Event I had
contemplated have provided
both for Lord Eldon and myself
by allotting this Stall, which in
Point of Value (under all cir-
cumstances) is fully equal
to the Deanery of Exeter, to
that Gentleman -

J. Hook

March 20.

You are always so kind and
considerate that I am
satisfied you will pardon my
troubling you even with
my feelings upon this interesting
subject. Doubtless so as the locality
of Exeter is deemed to be
not so healthy as the
step would be
itself in my opinion.

I have the honor to be

Very dear Sir

I am, Sir, your Obedient
and attached Servant

J. Hook