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I have just heard that the government of Dominica is vacant. I take the liberty of reminding your Royal Highness of your gracious intentions towards my Brother for these last twenty years, without your ever having had an opportunity of fulfilling them. I should be very glad to obtain this government for him, that I should have better liked his old government of Bermudas, from which he was so unjustly removed, & where he would have been so welcome again to all the inhabitants. But it was gone, before I knew that it was vacant. Perhaps I am taking a greater

liberty than I ought to do in presuming to make an
direct application to your Royal Highness, but I am
justified by your former commands, or as you have so
often expressed a wish to do something for my Brother,
I should think I failed in affection to him, if I did
not make this attempt to recall him to your memory.
I no longer dream of getting ^{him} restored to his rank in
the army, tho' I cannot help remembering how near
he was to obtaining that great favor from your Royal
Highness' extraordinary goodness to me at that time.
It is impossible for me ever to forget many gracious
expressions of your Royal Highness' kindness towards me,
but I do not upon that account allow any vain or
extravagant thoughts to come into my mind. I am not
so wild as to think that I am ever to taste one
drop of that wine that is preserved for me in

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your Royal Highness' allard. I even despair of ever
having the honor of kissing the Regent's hand, tho'
when I am in tolerable spirits, I cannot ^{help} flatter
myself that you will have the goodness in a moment
of leisure to contrive some method of gratifying me
in this wish. I am

Sir.
your Royal Highness'
most Dutiful & obedient Servant
John Crawford.

Piccadilly
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