

Col. J. Whalley to Col. H. Keble -

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Brighton

Sunday 21 April

My dear Sir

The Board of Inquiry finished its labours last evening
the result with I trust, & I feel it ought to be so, proved
highly honourable to the credit & character of the Regt.
a more shameful attempt to impose upon & deceive
the Commission in chief was never invented, & it will
I hope meet with the reward it merits. Attached is
a copy of the memorial, in itself disgraceful,
but rendered still more so by many of the signatures
subscribed to it: several of the most respectable
(Mr Richardson & others) have since been with me
expressing their contrition for their folly, & which
Mr Rogers's friend upon them; most especially
wishing that a Regt. Genl. was here to carry off
from an hundred & fifty to two hundred legs, idle

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Parcels whose sole occupation in the evening, is to
abuse sinners every one that passes.

I also take the liberty of enclosing a paper
delivered by Mr. Sargant Runninton to the Board,
who in conjunction with numerous other most respect-
able gentlemen came forward & gave the most
honorable testimony in our favor. with these documents
my dear Sir you will be enabled to form some
idea of the "machian infernale" which with, I
trust, explode when it ought; for the memorial
itself was a mere protest, a partial mob of the
Inhabitants had assembled the night before, & a

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still greater number the night following, furnished
with Hudgess, & others, but our men avoided them.

It was my intention to make my bow at Mrs
Royal perhaps the Prince Regent's levee on Tuesday
but I am unfortunately confined to my room
much indisposed. with the repetition of a
thousand apologies for the trouble I have given
you. I remain ever

My dear Sir

Yours most faithfully

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