

Sir Alex. Johnston to Col. McKean
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Madura
29th June 1811.

My dear Sir.

Take the present opportunity which is the
very first that has offered since we left England of
saying how much I regretted that I had not the honor
of seeing His Royal Highness before my departure and
how much obliged to you I feel for the positive assurances
which you gave me that His Royal Highness would
confer upon me the dignity of Baronet the first
time a creation of Baronets should take place.

The High Office which I hold in Ceylon
will make that dignity particularly desirable
to me I trust that from what you said the
day

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I took my leave of you that I shall not be long
in Ceylon without receiving through your kindness
so distinguished an honor from His Royal Highness
the great protection of favor which I have been
known to receive from His Royal Highness
will I trust fully warrant my hopes on the
occasion I shall not perfectly satisfied
after what you were so obliging as to tell
me that there is not the smallest chance of
my being disappointed.

I shall take the liberty of sending
this letter to my Mother I request her to wait
upon you with it in order that she may
have an opportunity of learning from you
whether any thing is likely to be done soon upon
the

subject of letting me know.

I have the honor to be with the greatest
esteem & respect,

My dear Sir
Your very Obedient
Faithful Servant
Alex. Johnston

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