

Wm. Keble to Col. Keble

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Dublin

My Dear Brother,

Glasgow, 18 Sept. 1811.

The receipt of a letter from our friend
Dudley dated from Cheltenham the 10th just calls upon me to offer my
sincere Thanks for your affectionate & successful efforts with
Lord Mansfield in my favor - Altho' my circuit avocations were
unusually protracted I had intended to have personally made
my Acknowledgments to you at Cheltenham, but that some
domestic disaster occupied the last ten days & amongst them the
sudden illness of my wife & an unlucky event in our own Carri-
age which together myself placed me in rather bad travelling condition.
However I did not consider these Accidents as any very serious Disruptions
until I perceived from the continued & unwearied discussions of the
public Prints upon the subject of your late appointment as Paymaster of

Wm. McCulloch to G. McCulloch

Had I had the consolation of being upon the spot while any question
interesting to your feelings formed a Topic of public Disputation - You
are too proudly placed upon the broad & impregnable Basis of great
personal disinterestedness, Integrity, & Devotion to your Royal Master
& the numerous friends which a life dedicated to the performance
of every generous, worthy, & honorable Act must have secured, & who
now throng around you must render it indeed totally impossible
that such an individual as myself however bound by the
strongest ties of natural affection & obligation to you could
be of any kind of use, yet I would fain regard it as the most
gratifying Honor of my life if chance had presented any Accident
in which you should distinctly see the ardent sentiments of
Attachment which I justly cherish towards you - Without knowing
the facts sufficiently to form any opinion & without presuming to offer
any, I must be excused by you for offering my earnest Congratulations
upon one view of the Subject - while the fury of party politics

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has dragged this question into consideration for purposes sufficiently
obvious, yet even anonymous writers & the unprincipled scribblers
who fill the columns of the daily Press in London have not
obtained the Turpitude of denying their Claims upon the
applause & good opinion of Mankind, which in your public
& private Character you so unequivocally possess - On the
contrary the single question discussed is the propriety of
the Office, but the merits, Justice, & Fidelity of the
individual are placed in the justest & most conspicuous view.
The moment I am sufficient for travelling I shall make
a Tour to your Side & visit to London to possess
the gratifying sensations which I anticipate in seeing you
& Mrs. McCulloch - To be I beg you will ^{give} the kindest
regards of myself & my wife & believe me always
Yours most affectionately
Wm. McCulloch

Mr. W. S. Mahon

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