

Lord Crispin
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2 Upper Green Street Oct. 21st 1811

My Dear Friend.

I came to Town to Day from our friend Lord Keith, near Portsmouth, but there being a Sale of Trees at Hookwell I stopped there till after the Post was gone out, & only found your Letter on coming home. I will make a point of seeing Perry, ^{before breakfast tomorrow} & shall not, certainly in the manner you naturally complain of I think it most wise & useful; and Perry cannot refuse to abide by my wish and opinion on the subject. I will also see others not less important. There is not any disposition to find fault with you as the object rather of the Princes' favor or of the attention due to an honorable man. It goes to the office - for ^{the abolition of} which as you know my opinion there is no foundation whatever. Let Parliament abolish it, if it please, and then the Prince knows what to do, but why should He abolish it. And now My Dear Friend let me give you a lesson - are you not sufficiently a man of the world completely to despise all the trash which gives you so much pain - I can say to you in confidence that I believe there are not many persons who enjoy more than I do the confidence & esteem of the people of this Land, & yet (for the Paper is a two edged sword)

I have been abused in newspapers not since
I then but for a period of 20 years incessantly
every every day, & I never cared for it
the thousandth thousandth part of half a
farthing; & let me counsel you wholly to
disregard it - nevertheless as you suffer
uneasiness I shall not relax in my
effort to do what will remove pain
at a distance from you. Very as you know
I am

Affectionately yours
Richard