

Col. Sir Charles Hastings to Col. McKelbow

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Willesley Hall, Atherstone

Dec^r. 16th 1811 -

My Most excellent friend -

Have the goodness to present to
my Royal master, and Sovereign, the Prince
Regent, (if I may so presume to call him)
my humble duty, and respectfully assure
him, that he has not bestowed the 12th Imp^t.
to one ignorant of its value - For, tho'
seemingly living quietly in the Country
I have not been idle about the Reg^t. I have
heard my Lt Col. here, to consult, ~~got~~
~~him~~, got him leave to superintend the
depot, and discipline the detachment at
Maldon, recalled all the scattered off^{rs}.

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who had been recruiting these two or
three years, to little or no purpose, and
have so reorganized the whole system,
as to leave me no doubt but I shall
be able to furnish a sufficient number
of recruits, thoroughly disciplined, to complete
the Reg^t when it comes home, thereby
entitling it to be called again the
Old Steady twelfth - Several Militia
Reg^ts have promised us a great number
of recruits, and the old spirit of the
Corps seems to have revived itself among
the detachment at Malden, for I have
received several letters from the Field
Off^{rs} and Capt^s, offering me of their

zeal to promote the good old cause -
adieu my best W^{ts} Mahon.

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Believe me to be

your most sincerely attached
and truly obliged friend -

Charles Hastings
Col. of the 12th

Colonel M. Mahon

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