

Lieut. Hastings —
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My dear friend —

I called at Carleton solely
with the view of taking my leave, shaking
you by the hand, and thanking you
most sincerely for your very great
goodness — My son will be gazetted
next week, and the purchase is what
I prefer to waiting perhaps some
months — I have promised Sorrens to
guarantee him — It is therefore but just
to say I received every attention that
is possible — would to God I could

express the degree of attachment, love
& respect, ^{and gratitude} I have for the B. but that
is impossible - advise my dear
friend - It is better you are of a certain
age otherwise I think Miss Eliza Moore
would run great risk, since I sh^d
fear there is hardly any ^{thing} she would
refuse you -

Yours much obliged
Thos. Hastings