

Mrs. (Lavinia) Cottin to H.R.H.

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Hampton Court Palace

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Sir

Impressed with every sentiment of gratitude & respect, I venture to address Your Royal Highness upon a subject which, as a Mother nearly concerns me — I treat Your Royal Highness to pardon me, when I mention that some years back Mr. Fildes herbert wrote to me from Brighton, by the command of Your Royal Highness to signify to me your most gracious promise to appoint my son, one of Your Royal Highness's Pages of Honour whenever Your Royal Highness's Establishment should take place, & that at the time, if my eldest son should be too old, then, that my youngest son Adolphus should receive the Appointment — The situation is of such consequence to my little Boy, that I trust Your Royal Highness will not be offended with me for the application, & should it not meet the approbation of Your Royal Highness, my maternal solicitude upon his account will I hope plead my excuse.

I have the honour to remain

Sir
With every sentiment of gratitude & respect
Your Royal Highness's most devoted servant
Lavinia Cottin.

