

Duke of Northumberland

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Alnwick Castle 1st July 1812.

My Dear Colonel.

I will not detain you a minute. Seeing
the Duties of many other Persons created Bishops, I have most earnestly applied to Lord Liverpool to place the Reverend
Mr. Christopher Bethell in a Stall, either at Windsor, or in Westminster.
He was for many years Tutor to Lord Percy, and Lord Eglington, and
Nobody could execute the French service in him with more Zeal, and
Attention. In Addition to this, Mr. Bethell possesses, in a most eminent
Degree, every possible Virtue of the Clergy, with a very superior Natural
Ability. As I am most particularly anxious to procure this Improvement
for him, I should feel myself much obliged to you, if you could give me
any Assistance towards the Completion of my Wishes; and as I have
not, for upwards of twenty years, visited any Church I am separated from
the Sacrament, & not resting for myself, I should, Lord Liverpool will
not refuse me this as my first application to him.

Adieu My Dear Colonel - you will present my Duty to the Duchess, whom
I was unwilling to trouble on this Occasion, & accept yourself of the good wishes
of all here; & be kind enough to offer the same for us to Mr. Mac-Intosh

Ever most faithfully yours,
Northumberland.

The Right Honourable
Colonel Mac-Intosh.

