

Bishop of Salisbury to the Gen. Turner

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St. James's Palace¹⁴
St. James's March 10¹⁴
1813

Dear Sir

Not being able to wait upon
you, being still confined to my house from the
effects of a very serious indisposition, I am
under the necessity of troubling you with a Letter
and intreating of you to present to the Prince
Regent for his Royal Highnesses Signature
a Warrant of Dispensation for the Marquis of
Wellington to wear the Star during his Residence
abroad.

The apology which I rather sting at
Arms makes for not transmitting this Warrant
with the others is - that he thought it might have

been in the Contemplation of the Prince Regent to have granted a general Dispensation in regard to Installation to the Marquis of Wellington, as was done in the case of all the Knights who have been lately elected.

I hope his Royal Highness will graciously pardon me for presuming to take this opportunity of mentioning a trifling matter that regards myself as an Officer of the most noble Order.

The Chancellor by the Statutes of the Order, & by a warrant at his appointment from the Sovereign is entitled to the Jewels of every deceased Knight. By this word is meant, the Collar, the embossed Garter, the enamelled George appendant to the Collar, — and the small Golden George appendant to the Ribband. It was the practice of his

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Majesty, shortly after the Insignia had been presented to him at his Levée, to send them by his Page to the Chancellor.

I should have been ashamed to have troubled his Royal Highness upon so trifling a matter. Had I not felt it due to the very honourable Office I have the honour of holding, humbly to state its claims.

I have the honour to be

Dear Sir

Your most faithful
and obedient

humble Servant

J. Sarum

General Turner

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10 March 1813
Fp of Loderberg