

J. Palmer to H. P. H.

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Albany March 13 - 1813

Sir I presume on your Royal Highness continued kindness, with which I have been so long honoured & your gracious condescension in allowing the justice of my Cause & constantly giving it that support so important towards its success, most respectfully to solicit your Royal Highness permission for my Sons return for a very short period, to carry a Bill through Parliament, to the same purpose, as that which, from mere accident, unfortunately failed last Session in the House of Lords by a majority of six only & which had been so repeatedly voted by large majorities in the Commons, the constitutional Guardians of the Public Purse - I should not take the liberty, Sir, of so earnestly soliciting this favour, did not all our Friends unite in opinion of the absolute necessity of his being on the spot & personally attending to & soliciting his numerous Friends for a Cause, in which the Character of the Country is as much at

ifoul, as the fate of myself & Family
& in which, if I succeed, I shall be proud
to owe that success to your Royal Highness's
Patronage & love of Justice — I beg leave
to remind your Royal Highness, that I have
been painfully labouring for above twenty
years past, with great anxiety & at an enormous
expence to obtain justice by every constitutional
means & that I feel confident the same goodness
of heart, which first induced your Royal Highness
to notice me & so firmly & steadily to support
my claims & interests, will grant this
additional favour to one of the most faithful
of your Servants, & I trust, that my Son, that
his very heart & soul is absorb'd in his endeavours
to bring the Regiment to that high state of Discipline
& Character, as may render it worthy your
Royal Highness's Command, will hasten
home to my assistance, & not forget that
he has a Father & Brothers & Sisters, whose
fortunes depend on his exertions — all of whom
are restricted to the greatest economy, that he
may be enabled to support the situation so
graciously bestowed on him, & by his liberality
not appear unworthy his Station & his Royal Master's
favours — I presume to mention, Sir,
that several Officers have arriv'd this Week
on leave of absence for two months from
Lord Wellington's Army & that from the state of the
waters in Spain, always in the Spring, the
Campaign cannot commence till the middle of
May, at the soonest, should even the French Army

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not evacuate Spain & country before that period -
& as General Stewart embarks next week
he could, with your Royal Highnesses permission
send to Charles home & during his very short
absence, Major Roberts would see his orders
for the improvement of the Regiment rigidly
executed & I beg leave most respectfully
to remind your Royal Highness that from the
first moment you condescended at Bath
to honour me with your regard & that open &
ingenuous confidence, which so distinguishes
your character, I have uniformly on every
occasion public & private, where it could be
of the least service, zealously exerted myself
for your Royal Highnesses interests & honour,
that I have ever felt & acted gratefully
to the extent of my power & ability, & shall
ever consider myself

Sir

Your Royal Highnesses
grateful & devoted servant
His Royal Highness
The Prince Regent
J. Palmer

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that it is reported above that
Mr Quintin is going out to
the Regiment

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