

W. H. Fremantle to Col. MacMahon

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My dear MacMahon

When I acknowledged your last kind note, I was actually getting into my carriage & therefore fear I did not express half I meant to say of your kindness & friendship; I assure you, altho' I have failed in this object which was nearest to my heart, yet I am now the less sensible of the very friendly interest you took upon it, and believe me when I say, that as long as I live I shall remember it —

From all I now know on the subject, I am thoroughly persuaded of the Prince Regent's gracious and benevolent intentions, and I owe him a

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debt of gratitude for it, which I will never forget.
In my public conduct I have ever steered clear
of any thing that could show a personalty towards
Him; I have ever detached myself from any
question regarding the M^{rs} of W., as I have equally
from any communication or even knowledge of
Him; and I need not say to those who know ^{me}, what
has ever been my private feelings & language
regarding the M^{rs} family - The Prince of W. has
acted kindly by me, & tho' I have not succeeded
in this instance I am as grateful as if I had,
because I have had a testimony of W. H. M^{rs}
good wishes - I cannot blame the D. of York

There may be difficulties in the precedent of
such a measure, that W. H. M^{rs} is called upon
to present - I therefore bow with submission
and respect, and can ^{only} hope that some early
opportunity may arise to promote this young man.
Who now only stands in the same situation with
many others led in camp of war, other General on
the Peninsula Staff - The thing most grateful
of my feelings would be to see Him under the
protection of the P. Regent; if He could mend the
situation of Extra Regency or A. D. C. in camp; but in truth
I will ^{not} fatigue you with my feelings - I mean
only to thank you for your friendship & I find

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myself running on with a subject, which I cannot
neither keep from my pen or my heart -

Believe me my dear Mr. Macken

always most truly

Yours faithfully

W. Freemantle

P.S.

I don't know whether I ought further to
acknowledge my obligations to the P. M. but if you
think it right I have enclosed a note, which you
will put in the fire if unnecessary. Be assured
I shall not open my lips on this subject -