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Col. H. Torrance to Col. Kekahou

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Private Hospital Guards  
July 18<sup>th</sup> 1813  
My Dear Mr. Makin.

I have the pleasure  
to acquaint you that I have  
hit upon a plan by which  
I think I can relieve you from  
the torment of Lieut Bagwell  
without committing his credit  
by obtaining leave of absence  
at a time when he is  
unable to join His Regt.

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Col. H. Torrance to Col. Kekahou

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Foreign Service - I suppose  
therefore that for the present he  
should be removed to a  
Post of dangerous in England or  
Ireland -

I state this occasion to  
observe that since our  
conversation yesterday, it has  
occurred to me that by your  
inquiries as to the nature &  
extent of my "intimacy" &  
"friendship" with Sir M. Manay,  
there might possibly be meant

than you explained.  
However this may be I think  
it is well to apprise you,  
that neither of these terms  
are applicable to the  
acquaintance which has for  
some years subsisted between  
us: I commanded a  
Regt. which comprised part  
of the force under Manay's  
orders in the North of India,  
during the Marhatta War,  
and at that time so far

from being in an intimate  
footing, he was for some  
time not in speaking  
terms, owing to various  
-stances which I need not  
explain, but in which I  
thought, at the time, he  
was well: I am far  
from mentioning this with a  
view to his disadvantage -  
as it leaves no trace upon my mind -  
but merely to show you the  
erroneous idea you had  
formed as to the footing  
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in which we have been  
together. From the personal  
experience I have had of  
Sir John as an Officer, I  
have always been ready to  
do him the justice I  
thought he deserved: In his  
military capacity I have  
always entertained a very  
favourable opinion of his  
talents & principles; & I  
certainly have given this  
opinion as resulting from

by our Experience; and  
no subsequent failure shall  
ever prevent me from giving  
him the advantage of it, as  
far as my humble &  
insignificant testimony  
may be useful to him.

As far as we are acquainted  
with the conduct of the  
Expedition to Sanazona, I  
do not pretend to defend it -  
But I think the public papers  
do Murray great injustice

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in their unfair arguments  
upon the subject.

I can never presume to  
suppose that my humble  
opinion of his professional  
arguments can have been  
instrumental to his

Employment in command.

Yours truly  
Wm. Pitt

Wm. Pitt

*Sir H. Torrens*  
*July 10. 1813.*