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Sir  
I beg to return your thanks for your  
Obliging Communication of His Royal Highness  
The Prince Regent's most gracious answer to the  
letter I wrote the liberty of addressing to Him  
I think it right to inform you confidentially that  
considering myself bound both by duty & gratitude  
not only to act in obedience to His Royal Highness's  
Commands but to conform to His wishes. I have  
determined upon rejecting the offer of the Appointment  
I alluded to as I could not but feel that  
His Royal Highness's declining to interfere in  
the business was equivalent to His not sanctioning  
my acceptance of the situation in question.  
I have declared my intended refusal. & have  
entirely rested it upon family accounts. &  
therefore shall not now receive the Official offer

My Mother's affairs are in Scotland this year  
in order to avoid all appearance of disrespect.  
Should you have an opportunity of informing  
His Majesty's Highness of my determination  
I shall be much obliged to you so to do, provided  
you consider that measure consistent with  
propriety — I trust you will pardon me  
for troubling you with this letter & that you  
will further have the goodness not to let  
the business transpire.

I am Sir,  
Y<sup>r</sup> most obliged  
& devoted  
servant  
Augustus Charles