

Helen Prosser to Col. McKeanon.

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107 Mount Street
23 Oct 1813 -

Sir

I beg to entreat your forgiveness
for the liberty I have taken in addressing
you - which nothing but the extreme of distress
could authorize. The attention you are
ever ready, to pay to the claims of the unfortunate
added to your known Benevolent Character
will be - I hope my advocate - with you, to
make known to His R. H. The Prince Regent
our peculiar and unfortunate situation.

Through the death of a lamented Father
in March 1812 (at that period Ordnance Stores
in Alderney) my Mother aged sixty, one with
and self have endured the most accumulated
woe - with my excellent Father died our
every hope and comfort, leaving us entirely
destitute - from my Father having had to
contend with a painful protracted and
expensive illness of seven months; in an Island
when the actual comforts of life could not be
procured without a very heavy expense

and still greater those, requisite for a person
suffering like my Father - on our return to
England we had the misfortune to learn
that my Father had not been the stipulated
time in the Department for my Mother to
receive the Pension - the ill health of my Mother
& Sister almost precludes there making any
excursions for their support. and the very little
assistance I can add by my needle does
not find them the smallest comfort, which
they stand so greatly in need of (my Mother
suffering from Rheumatic Gout my sister
in a deep decline) - we are at this present
enduring the extreme of wretchedness and
poverty, without one kind hand to lend us
the smallest assistance - Major Gen^l. Guster
who commanded in Alderney during our
residence was a witness to the protracted suff-
-erings of my most excellent Father - and
would confirm the above statement if you
thought it requisite - may I venture to
suggest to you the compassionate list. should
you think us object worthy of it - that
small bounty would be adding greatly
to the comforts and happiness of these
unprotected females - could you for one
Moment witness our wretched situation

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I feel assured that you would not turn an
averted ear to my recital. The Magnanimity
Generosity and Excellence of H. R. H. The Prince
Regent's character being known to the most
humble of his subjects, leave me to hope
my solicitations, will not be unheeded.

Again entreating your forgiveness
for this intrusion. beg to subscribe myself

Sir
Your most respectful
Obedt Servant
Heleen Prosser

To
Col. M. Metcham
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John Jackson
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