

Copy of a Letter to Field Marshall
His Royal Highness the Duke of York

May I Please your Royal Highness

Sir
a much injured man humbly solicits
your Royal Highness's attention to the following
statements — a few days past the suit in
Ligation between L^d Coleraine & myself was finally
settled. It would be tedious to request your Royal
Highness's perusal of a copy of the Decision, therefore
I shall briefly state (which on enquiry will be
found true) that the arbitrator appointed by L^d
Henrietta has awarded me one Thousand Pounds
in Cash and 350£ annually per Annum during
the life of L^d Coleraine. This I trust Sir will be
sufficient to prove to your Royal Highness
& to the whole world that I am not that Perjured
Scoundrel His Lordship & his Emancipers endeavored
to make you believe and were very busy in
promulgating to the public — I am informed
that L^d Coleraine is now mean enough to deny
his assertions. But I pledge myself on my honor
solemnly to prove to you Sir that when I first

promised him he did publicly & constantly declare
on his word, that, He did not owe me one Shilling.
and one night in particular (after he had been at the
last meeting before the arbitrator) In Brooks's Club,
He did before many people and before a friend of
mine say, that he had been to the arbitrator and
that his Brother would swear any thing to ruin him,
But I will put the fact of his base assertions beyond
all doubt by the annexed * taken from a Letter
which L^d Thanelt did me the honor to write me a
Copy of which I herewith send your Royal Highness
L^d Thanelt's hand writing is too reputable an auth
authority for L^d Coleraine to deny - an other method
did L^d Coleraine use to vilify me equally as
base as it was false He further attempted to
poison your Royal Highness's mind as to me by
informing you that ~~I had~~ I had sent a Bailiff
to take him out of your house at Oaklands - My
Friend Tom Stepany at the request of the Prince of
Wales cleared this point up to your Royal
Highness and with pleasure I received your gracious
reply which gave me no small satisfaction I assure
you Sir - Had it not been for that characteristic love
of justice which distinguishes the Prince of Wales
on all occasions accompanied with that friendship
& protection with which he has ever favored me

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and which constitutes the chief happiness of my life
in nobly stepping forward to justify an injured man
I must have been regarded both by your Royal Highness
and by that Part of the world who might have listened to
L^d Colerain's calumnies as a perjured Villain 21124
ever since last June twelvemonth the time I first prosecuted
his Lordship a space of nearly 18 months ^{under} a dreadful
period for a man of honor to remain such a Stigma
I will appeal to your Royal Highness' own feelings
& conduct so robely convinced on a certain occasion
what my ^{that} sentiments must have been when all the
wealth ^{that} possess my Character was thus basely
spailed from a quarter from which I had the strongest
claims of assistance & support - Whatever consolation
I may derive from the event of the Arbitration, I can
honestly assure your Royal Highness that nothing can
equal the Satisfaction I feel in being thus enabled
unequivocally to convince both your Royal Highness
& my illustrious Friend & Protector The Prince that I am
incapable of disgracing my character by any act
unworthy a Gentleman & a Soldier my Sufferings
Sir I trust will serve as a sufficient apology
for thus troubling your Royal Highness with a
Detail of my Private affairs -

Copy of a Letter from Lord Thanel
to Colonel Hanger

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Dear Sir

You must excuse my saying that

I was unable to make any answer to your Letter
this morning from not understanding the
meaning of the Proposals contained in it
Your Brother Lord Coleraine positively Insists
that he is not in your Debt &c. &c. &c.

Signed

Yours Sincerely

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Albemarle Street

Tuesday Evening This was some time in the
month of July 1797.

I remain Sir with the most
perfect respect your Royal Highness
most obedient & most humble Serv^t

George Hanger.

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