

Lady Anne Barnard

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Sir

Permit your Humble and Gratefull Subject and Friend, Anne Barnard to lay a few lines at your feet, written amidst the mixed emotions of Delight on account of the unbounded Triumphs and Successes which is crowning all your measures, Regret that Col. Barnard who has been so highly distinguished by your Royal Highness should have been so suddenly wounded, and Distress to be obliged by a honorfull duty to interach at such a moment as this on your leisure by any Request! — I, who am already loaded with your kindness —

But..... our family like your Own Sir, represents the old Mans bundle of sticks, we are bound together by love and amity and I am strongly solicted at present. —

My Youngest Brother Hugh Lindsay, a Noble, Wandronne fine fellow, who at his best moments is honored with a compliment to his appearance which I dare not repeat to your Royal Highness, is at this time anxious to propose the support of government as far as it may deem it advisable to take a part in filling up of the vacancy which the death of Sir Thomas Medcalf has made. —

It seems that a Nautical man is rather wishd for, — My Brother, long in his Majesty's Service, & longer in the East India company has been prepd. to offer himself as a candidate, and has intreated me to lay

his views at the feet of your Royal Highness if I think I
dare venture to take that liberty, that incase of your
wishes being disengaged he on any matter himself
with your leaning towards him, and administration
thro you means. — if I express myself unadvisedly
or improperly, for Godsake my ever valued Master
and Prince be not offended with me, but you see
the spirit of my meaning, and if your Royal Highness
feels a disposition from your regard to that respectable
body of men to wish that the Successor to Sir J. Mordaunt
should have professional knowledge & admirable character
enquire after that of Hugh Lindsay Sir, it will bear
every enquiry which your zeal for the public good
could influence your Royal Highness to make.

Adieu Sir — I shall be in London about two months
hence. — I am a wrecking creature and shall not
out of my house this winter, unless temptation from
carton House not to be resisted occurs. —

"Lead us not into temptation" is true, a sentence
I have not resolution to make use of. —

God protect you Sir, encircled with love & honor
prays your Royall Highnesses ever grateful, dutiful
& most affectionate Friend

Anne Barnard

as Monsieu Pliny says "if I was not prepd for time, I
would write a shorter letter" to your Royal Highness