

Ed. Healy to Col. Ketchum

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Admiralty
18. Dec^r

My Dear Sir,

I shall speak to Lord
Sidmouth on M^r. Keppel's
Keppel's Baronetcy, or rather
on his place on the list
as it will appear in the
Gazette.

I have recommended to
Lord Dalhousie to call at
Carlton House tomorrow
at two o'clock, - not in
uniform, which I presume
is unnecessary. -

Many thanks for the

ld He write to Col. McKahan

ticket for Covent Garden. —

I suspect that M^r. Lawrence is not eligible for any of the livings of Simonsburn, according to the fair intendment of the act of Parliament by which they were established. It was meant for the encouragement of Chaplains in the Navy; but I rather believe he quitted the Navy long ago & would not have consented to serve if called upon. He certainly is not now upon

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the list. I think it would make a notable, & not an unreasonable Disturbance among our Naval Reverends, if those livings (five of which are now vacant) were not to be given among those who had gone through the fog of the War & had continued their services, but ^{were} to be bestowed upon those who had quitted it & refused to serve any longer, contenting themselves with their retiring pension. Believe me, My Dear
Yours most faithfully
W^m. J. McKahan. Melville

Lord Melville
10. Dec 1813.