

Lord Castlereagh

Army Estimates

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P. James's Sq
Thursday 4 P.M.

Sir

It was with great regret I found
myself obliged so much to affect both my voice
and hearing after my return to Town, as
to be obliged to absent myself from the
House both on the Second and Third
nights of the debate on the Army Estimates -
The Division last night was a good one, but
we shall have much opposition in the future
progress of this, and all other measures involving
Questions of Expenditure and Taxation.

Your Royal Highness must be

prepared to find the House of Commons
in Time of Peace a much more arduous
body than in War, & we shall have,
in the present Embarrassments of the Country
serious difficulties in maintaining the
Establishments & Public Credit of the
Country upon the Scale, which they ought to
be sustained at. Yours however with proposals
we shall weather our difficulties

The numbers were sent right for
referring the Army Estimates to a Committee
of Supply 261 - Against 121 Proponents 120
I am Dear your Royal Highness's
dutiful and Obedient Servant
Catherine