

Lady Ellenborough

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In what terms can I sufficiently testify to
Your Royal Highness the deep and grateful
sense I entertain of your Royal Highness's
most condescending goodness to my beloved
Lord, the handsome testimonial which
Your Royal Highness has been gracious by
pleased to bestow upon him of the high
estimation in which your Royal Highness
holds his past services, will be the most
effectual cordial I can offer. In his recollection
at moments when his oppressed and
drooping spirits may particularly require
support, so long as his enfeebled frame
affords him the power of being sensible
to gratification, I shall have the greatest
pride in bringing to his mind the honorable
proof your Royal Highness has conferred upon
him, that he had the happiness to serve
a Prince whose noble & generous mind

led him to yield to all the warmer feelings
of his nature, & in the kindness of his most
excellent heart, to gratify by a distinguished
mark of Royal favor one of the most
devoted of his Subjects. Your Royal Highness
has indeed been graciously pleased to furnish
us with the most valuable heirloom he
can bequeath to our children, for it will
I trust inspire them with the strongest
desire to emulate his bright example and
by following the path which he has trod,
I presume to hope their lives will prove, they
possess the same zeal & devotion to your
Royal Highness's service, which has so
eminently distinguished the career of their
beloved Father, Permit me in the humblest
manner to implore your Royal Highness's
forgiveness for this effusion of a heart
penetrated with the most lively feelings of
gratitude and suffer me to subscribe
myself with the highest respect.

Your Royal Highness's

Ever faithfully devoted servant

W. Edenborough