

L. Carlisle's letter  
to Sir R. Pakenham  
sent to the Prince

Enclosure

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Sunday  
Greenwich place.

Dear Mr. Pakenham

In regard to the proposition mentioned last night  
of an intended contribution in the City towards the discharge of his  
R<sup>ty</sup> Highness the P<sup>r</sup> of Wales debt, I can entertain but one opinion;  
and I heartily wish those persons in whom it would not be impertinent  
or presumption to expose their sentiments freely to him would agree  
with me in thinking he ought to reject the offer. The manly perseverance  
in the plan he has adopted lays a wide foundation of the public esteem.  
The adhering to it in spite of the present temptation would determine  
its solidity, and the admiration that would arise from <sup>for his sake</sup> it would amply  
repay him for the immediate inconveniences he seems prepared to  
submit to. The general motive that actuates the numbers thus to testify  
their zeal & affection for him is & ought to be, most flattering. The individuals  
who will separate themselves from the crowd, & press their pretensions  
for future favour as the first or most active promoters of this scheme,  
will embarrass him in various ways. If his resolution of liquidating  
his debt by the efforts of his own firmness, & by the generous self-denial  
of many things a P<sup>r</sup> of Wales ought to enjoy is to be shaken, it ought  
alone to be affected by the interposition of the King, or by the feelings

of the County at large, which sooner or later cannot fail to operate  
in a manner to satisfy the expectations of those who love & respect  
him most -

I hope you don't forget your promise of dining at Table

Believe me to be ever yr. Obedt. Servant

Cartwright