

Ld. Rodney to Capt. Payne -

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Patn Nov 10. 1704

My Dear Payne

You may easily imagine
my concern when I tell you
that a damnable fit of the Gout
in both feet which confines me &
my bed prevents my appearing in the
House of Lords on Thursday, and as
my vote shall ever go as may be
most agreeable to our Royal Interest
I have sent for a Justice that I may
sign it, and will send it by Express
to you, that it may be given to
Lord Southampton or any other
firm Friend of H. R. H., whether
it may be proper to lay my thanks

Duty at his feet, and solicit his
Namings of whom my Proxy should
be given, I know not — but you
will let my dear Jack, in this
affair as you may think will be
most agreeable to your and my
Royal Friends and his Dignity —

may answer my letter that I
may know how to act in this
urgent affair as may be most
agreeable to the Person I wish most
to show my attachment & Duty
to him and be assured that I am
with real truth and sincerity.

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Your faithful friend
and most obedient
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*From Lord Byron
Nov: 10: 1790*