

C. J. Fox to H. R. H.

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Mr. Fox
from
Mrs. Fox

Sir

I really do not know how to
express my gratitude for the very kind
letter which I have this day received from
your Royal Highness. My Health about
which you are so good as to interest
yourself so much, is so good, and my
amendment every day so visible, that, if
Mr. Pitt is not shamed out of his system
of delay, I have no doubt but I shall be
as well as ever I was in any life before
your Royal Highness is appointed
Regent

I am not at all surprised at

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the satisfaction your Royal Highness
expresses at the noble and manly manner
in which the Duke of York has distinguished
himself. Indeed it is more than a
compensation for every unpleasant circumstance
one can meet in life to have such a
Brother and Friend as your Royal
Highness has in the Duke.

The Duke of Portland did mention
to me an idea suggested by your Royal
Highness of giving the Duke of Norfolk
the Stannard, which I entirely approved
and which, if it can be carried into
execution, will relieve the Duke of
Portland and me from considerable
difficulties. I hear Pitt was but eleven
a head of Howard at the close of last
night, Pell and that were still hopes,

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but I confess I am not sanguine.

I take it for granted that the vacant Regiment will be given to Lake, and I am sure I shall be as happy as any Man at such a disposition of it; but I should be very ungrateful to a very worthy Man if I did not take an early opportunity of representing to your Royal Highness's consideration & to that of the Duke of York the very strong pretensions of General Charles Ross who had a Regiment in the war and who is one of the oldest Major Generals upon the list. I feel myself peculiarly bound to support his claim because I am firmly persuaded that the neglect shewn towards him has been entirely owing to his political

attachments and parliamentary Conduct.

I have the honour of inclosing to your
Royal Highness a letter from the Duke
of Leinster.

General Bury and Mr.
Amislead both desire me to express
their gratitude to your Royal Highness
for the obliging manner in which you
are so good as to mention them.

I am with every sentiment
the most perfect attachment,

Sir,

your Royal Highness's
most dutiful Serv^t

C. J. Fox

Bath 4. Feb 5. 1789.

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