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Brooklet Hall

July 4th - 10th 1795

Sir

Lord Melbourne not being able to write himself, hopes your Royal Highness will excuse his taking the liberty to employ me to address a few Lines to your Royal Highness - he has been with much concern, the resolutions of Parliament which have caused the necessity of the arrangements you have now made, and it is with the greatest regret he is obliged to relinquish a Situation he has held for so many Years, with so much satisfaction, as it procured him constant opportunities of paying his respects to your Royal Highness & more frequent occasions of shewing his

more sincere attachment to your person & service than can be presumed be ever allowed him; when he is removed from it he deserves me with his duty, to offer his attendance & services if at any time they can be agreeable to your Royal Highness, without any other consideration than the pleasure he shall receive from being useful to your Royal Highness. He begs leave to add that he shall ever remember with extreme gratitude the unvaried friendship & kindness you have shown him ever since the time he first had the honor of belonging to your Royal Highness's family, & is particularly obliged for the earnestness with which you endeavored a few months ago, to procure him an object for which he must ever be anxious, for the sake of his family, for whom he begs to claim your protection & hopes that by their

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conduct, at some future day, they
 may merit your Royal Highness's
 favour. - To be it is possible that by
 this he takes the liberty of addressing
 your Royal Highness in the free &
 friendly way you have so long allow'd
 him, & he hopes he shall not be
 consider'd as presuming too much
 if he endeavours to pay his respects
 to you sometimes at Carlton House

After all I Melbourne's form is over
 I hope you will allow me to say
 simply, how sorry I have been for
 all the arrangements made by Post
 as I always shall be for any thing
 that obstructs your happiness &
 comfort - I have the Honour to be

Yours most obedient
 humble servant
 The Melbourne

St. Paul's

July 10th 1795.

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