

Ld. Mavor to H.R.H.

The Earl of Mavor

to

The Prince of Wales

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It was my purpose to have had  
the honor of writing to your Royal Highness  
yesterday, and to have expressed my very ear-  
nest wishes that every return of the day  
should find you enjoying uninterrupted Health  
& Happiness. I was prevented, however, by cir-  
-cumstances which I even could not lament.  
All the French thought it their duty to come  
at an early hour, to make their Compliments  
upon the occasion: The Duc d'Angoulême then on



arrived from Portsmouth to take up his residence  
with me: and, afterwards, the ceremonies with which  
we endeavored to testify our feelings towards my  
thing that related to Your Royal Highness  
completely occupied the remainder of the day.

I trust that my wishes now will not be deemed  
less evident than they would have been yesterday  
or less acceptable to Your Royal Highness.

I have now, Sir, a considerable body of them  
incamped; having, for the sake of health, landed  
all that came hither by sea. I am not dis-  
satisfied that Your Royal Highness should be  
tempted to look at them, notwithstanding the



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gratification I should have in the opportunity  
of paying my duty. I could not display these  
troops to your Royal Highness, without some  
certification, when I know that there is not  
now a chance of their being employed under  
me on the service originally intended. They  
are besides in bad trim as to present appearance.  
Because that, in order to have them always in  
readiness for immediate embarkation, they  
have not been allowed to keep any Cloathing  
on shore but what they are actually to wear  
during their passages. The ground too, being chosen



exclusively from the condensation of oxygen & plenty  
of water in the vicinity, is ill calculated for any  
thing of show.

The front line consists of  
Mounted artillery, 14<sup>th</sup> foot, 27<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 57<sup>th</sup>, 101<sup>st</sup> & 109<sup>th</sup>. The second  
line contains, 4<sup>th</sup> Dragoon Guards, 12<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Dragoons, 12<sup>th</sup> foot,  
14<sup>th</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup>, 42<sup>nd</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup> & 103<sup>rd</sup>. The 12<sup>th</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup> & 90<sup>th</sup> are  
ordered to embark directly under the command of  
General Doyle, and will probably sail in four  
or five days.

With the most diligent attack  
- sent, I leave the Honors to you, Sir,

Your Royal Highness,

Very faithful

& devoted servant

H. K. H.

The Prince of Wales.

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1<sup>st</sup> Division  
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