

Ld. Salisbury to H.M.

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Arlington Street
16 May 1841

Sire

I have the honor to acknowledge
the Receipt of Your Majesty's Letter, and
it is a great Satisfaction to me to learn
that mine has met with Your Majesty's
Approbation. I trust that on many
occasions I have proved that I wish'd to
contribute to the utmost of my Abilities
to strengthen Your Majesty's Government.

The Earl of Dartmouth certainly
merits universal Esteem, & is most fortunate

in being honored by Your Majesty's; but
I am sure it cannot have occurred to Your
Majesty how much it must have
wounded my Feelings to be told under
Your Majesty's own hand, that that
Esteem alone has been a sufficient
Motive for Your Majesty to dismiss
me from Your Service after Twenty
Years, whose Attachment & Devotion
to your Majesty have been such,
that what was most precious to me
was the opportunity the Situation
gave me of personally attending Your
Majesty, without my having in any

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way forfeited, as I trust, that favorable
Disposition towards me, which Your
Majesty has so often been pleased
to express, & particularly when I had
the honor to see Your Majesty last alone,
upon which Occasion Your Majesty grai-
ously deign'd to assure me, with particular
Expressions of Esteem & favor, that You
did not wish to take my Staff from me?
with Sentiments of the most profound at-
tachment to Your Majesty

I remain with unalterable Loyalty
Sire

Your Majesty's
most dutiful
and
most loyal Subject

Salisbury

1804

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M^{rs} of Salisbury, my friend
London, 16th May 1804
To which was answer with the rest