

R.B. Sheridan to Col. McKeown

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Private & confidential March 9th 1808.

My Dear Mac -

I enclose you
 the letter so long delay'd to the
 Prince, I frankly leave it open
 that you may read it, & then
 I will trouble you to seal and
 deliver it - I have lost some days
 in waiting for P. Moores answer
 to yours, which I thought necessary
 to complete the appearance to the
 Prince that it is absolutely impossible
 for me to misapply the income of the
 Duchy contrary to the Princes intention
 you will see I have not touch'd
 in my letter to the Prince on the

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scandalous misrepresentation which
was made to him, on the
silly ground of the Chancery
sequestration, I am sure
Lord Selwyl was much misled,
& knowing the Prince's regard
for him, I have not urged
a word of complaint, tho' I have
felt very sore, & really I cannot
describe to you the mischievous
extent to which this calumny
has been propagated. I am
very anxious to see his R. H.
before we Tuesday's Debate &
will therefore be at it both.

R. B. Sheridan to Col. Meekins

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- Have to wait his commands in the morning - I assure you my letter does not contain half the sentiments of affection & respect I feel for him & above all it does not half express my genuine wishes respecting to pursue my independent course in Parliament - but upon my soul & faith that motive is that I may qualify myself to give in time to our cause a more powerful support to our Master.

Yours very Dear Friend
Sincerely

I forgot to say that P. Moore has been confined to his bed these five Days past.



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Mr. Meridian

March 7, 1800

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