

Lt. Gen. Robert Brownrigg (aft. Barb) to Col. Ketchikan

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Audley Square
12th July 1808-

My Dear Macmahon,

From your kindness in mentioning to me the flattering interest which the Prince of Wales had done me the Honour to express, on speaking of the probability of my proceeding to India; It is incumbent on me, I presume as I truly am with the deepest sense of gratitude for His Royal Highness's continued goodness to me now for some years, to avail myself of your friendship, to request of you to take an opportunity of acquainting His Royal Highness, that the Court of Directors, from the present posture of affairs in Europe (which they conceive includes the possibility of the French carrying their projects

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against India into effect), have declared
their determination to oppose, the combining
the Civil and Military Commands at Bombay,
and Mr. Dundas feeling that recent events
have weakened the grounds on which he
had recommended the measure, has
judged it right to suspend the further
agitation of the subject — As the
situation was altogether unsought for by
me, and as I am thoroughly satisfied
with, and consider myself rewarded far
beyond my deserts, by the high situation I
fill on the Staff of the Army, I feel no
disappointment — My utmost ambi-
tion is to continue to merit the distinguished

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Approbation of the Prince of Wales, to whom
conceding notice I may justly attribute
the good fortune which has attended me
in my Profession, and for whom I must
ever entertain sentiments of the most res-
pectful devotion and attachment.

I entreat of you to render acceptable
to His Royal Highness, these the genuine
feelings of my Heart: and beg you to
believe me with great regard,

truly and faithfully Yours
Robt Brownrigg

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