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May it please your Majesty

It is with the utmost sense of duty & deference that I presume to trouble your Majesty with my little concerns, & to lay at your Majesty's feet an humble representation of what I conceiv'd to be reasonable pretensions, & of the attention your Ministers have paid to them.

Though I have the most grateful remembrance of the obligation that was laid on me by the Peerage, yet from the general opinion that was conceiv'd of my right to the ancient Barony of Powis, it did not strike my friends in that strong light of favour that I myself am sensible of.



I have therefore at different times applied to  
your Majesty's ministers to procure me some <sup>farther</sup> ~~more~~  
of your Majesty's Royal favour, which might  
increase my consideration in the Eye of the World,  
and particularly might enlarge my Abilities  
of serving your Majesty in the County of Derby.

In answer to these Applications I have  
had the strongest & most flattering promises,  
which have hitherto served only to raise my  
expectations that the mortification of a  
disappointment might be felt more sensibly.

The reliance I have on your Majesty's  
justice & humanity makes me venture to own  
that after being taught to hope for the Election  
of Derbyshire, I could not but feel some resentment  
when it was given to another, but can see, at the  
same time, that whatever the resentment was,  
it has never abated my zeal for your Majesty's service,  
or diminish'd my Activity in supporting your  
Majesty's measures in both houses of Parliament.

I flatter myself that what I have ventured to



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May before your Majesty will so far justify me, as  
to excuse my departing from the regular course  
of application. I should wish indeed always to  
be considered as not building my interests on  
party combinations, but as choosing to rest my  
hopes on your Majesty's graciousness rather than  
Ministerial favour.

I can with truth assure your Majesty that I shall  
never receive so much pleasure from the honours or  
emoluments of any employment, as from the satisfaction  
of having some share of your Majesty's good opinion.

being with all possible, Attention, Loyalty & Duty

Your Majesty's

Most Obedient & humble Servant  
and Subject

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*Lord Scariswale.*

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