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Mrs Campbell to H.M

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Sir

I should ill deserve the high marks of favour which your Majesty has graciously condescended to bestow on me, if I delayed any longer humbly to represent to your Majesty, that the state of my health is really such, as to render me incapable of discharging as I ought to do the duties of that very honorable and important post, which thro' your Majesty's gracious & flattering opinion of me, I have the honour to hold in Her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte's

Establishment. —

Your Majesty will perhaps
be so good to recollect that from the
beginning I distrusted both my
abilities & my health, & that even then
I expressed my humble hope, that
Your Majesty would only consider me
placed in that honorable situation
till Your Majesty should fix on some
person more fitted for, & more adequate
to the discharge of its duties. — I have
waited therefore in respectful silence,
& I should still have continued to do so,
if the actual state of my health had
not called upon me imperiously, no
longer to delay my humble represen-
tations to Your Majesty that I am

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really no longer able to fulfil the
duties of my situation - I have no
alternative left but to throw myself
at your Majesty's feet, & to entreat that
I may be permitted to retire from
the appointment which I now hold, in
the Establishment of Her Royal Highness
The Princess Charlotte - But at the
same time I most humbly entreat
your Majesty to believe that I shall
retain to the last hour of my life, the
most grateful sense of the high and
distinguished honours which your
Majesty's gracious opinion has
conferred upon me, and that I am, &
will ever be with every sentiment

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of gratitude, respect, & submission,

Sir - Your Majestys

most dutiful and

most devoted

Subject & Servant

Alicia Campbell

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