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Palace Salisbury

Dear Sir

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I have received the honor of your Letter from Marlboro house written to me by the command of Prince Leopold, and communicating to me the information of the visit which Mr. Sturkie has lately troubled his Royal Highness with.

It will at all times afford me very high gratification to comply with the wishes of Prince Leopold; but I feel persuaded that his Royal Highness will graciously allow me to express my hopes

that Mr. Storkie may not be pressed
upon me, when I assure his Royal
Highness that I acknowledge no claim
he pretends to have upon me, and that
I disavow any promise he may assert
that I have made him.

All that was passed between the
ever ^{to be} lamented Princess Charlotte and myself
upon the subject of Mr. Storkie was this.

A few days previous to the marriage
her Royal Highness to me morning after
our reading put into my hands a Letter, &
said — "Bishop — Storkie desires me to ask
you for Preferment". — I bowed & replied
your Royal Highness knows that it will