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Dublin Castle 5th January 1768

My Lord,

Major General Severne
commanding His Majesty's 5th Regiment
of Dragoons having represented unto Me,
that Lieut. Colonel William Lushington,
of the said Regiment, who hath served
thirty six Years, being now in the Decline
of Life, prays that, on account of his
long Services he may be permitted to
retire upon Thirteen Shillings and
two Pence a Day to be made up by a
Deduction from the Pay of the following
Officers of the said Regiment, whom
General Severne hath recommended in
Succession to the said Lieutenant
Colonel Lushington, viz:

Major Francis Lascelles to
be Lieutenant Colonel upon Major's
Pay.

Capt. William Stewart, who
hath served ten Years in that Rank
(the elder Captains having declined the
Purchase) to be Major, on Captain's
Pay.

Capt. Lieut. Arthur Johnston,
who hath served seven Years in that
Rank

Earl of Shelburne, &c.

Rank to be Captain upon Lieutenant's
Pay.

Lieut. Edw: Fitzgerald who
has served eleven years in that Rank
to be Captain Lieutenant.

And Cornet S: George Hatfield
who has served seven years in that
Rank to be Lieutenant on Cornet's Pay.

And that as a Purchaser
for the Cornetcy hath not yet been found
that Commission may, for the present
lye open, and when filled up, bear equal
Date with those in the said Succession.

And Major General Severne
having recommended it that the said
Succession should take Place accordingly.

I desire Your Lordship will
lay this Case before His Majesty,
And if His Majesty shall be graciously
pleas'd to consent thereto, I desire Your
Lordship will move His Majesty to
sign Commissions for the said Succession
accordingly, and to permit the Commission
for the Cornetcy to lye open, for the
present, and when filled up that it
shall bear equal Date with the said
other Commissions. As also to grant
His Royal Letter for the said Lieut
Colonel

Colonel Lushington, retiring on the said
 Pay of Thirteen Shillings and two
 Pence a Day to be made up by the
 said Officers in Rank until, by
 Death or Promotion, other Officers may
 succeed without Purchase to bear the
 said Deduction, in the Room of the
 present Successors.

I am, with great Respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

Most obedient

Humble Servant

Townshend.

Dublin Castle, 5. Jan. 1768.

Dear Sir of Ireland.

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(Recommendation in the B.
Regiment of Dragoons.)