

[9 April 1751
 of petition of 3 Cooks
 No 74036]

Sir,

I am commanded by Her Royal Highness
 to inform you that it is Her opinion (if you do not
 see any inconvenience in it) that the discharged
 Cooks may be gratified with one year Salary, pro-
 vided they behave themselves respectfully, & appear
 grateful, but in case they should pretend to insist
 upon any thing further, W^m does not think fit
 that they should receive any thing at all. I find that
 so many Petitions have been given in, & I believe
 you have ^{been} so much teased, by these People that W^m
 is desirous to make your Persecution cease, as
 well as mine, for as I ^{grow} more in their way they come
 daily, or rather hourly to vex me with their
 Calamitous Circumstances, The Good Princess is

16 Charitable as well as Gracious, that if possible
it were to be wished there were not so many Channels,
by which all manner of requests are laid before Thee,
because I am afraid, these are very partial represen-
-tations made sometimes, & if all Persons ^{who} plead
distress were to be relieved by Thee Generosity, it
would be Thee self reduced to Difficulties in Time.
Yet so many objects as are really such, & in deplorable
Circumstances offer every day, that I content I with my
self often out of the way not to hear the relation of
afflictions, which in Duty to HM. It is impossible to
advise I should attempt to relieve, & yet there is
something too affecting in their Situation, to remain
unmoved when they are represented, at least I am not

I'm not enough to be a witness to such distresses,
 & to be quite easy when I see they cannot be avoided.
 W.P.M. has been so good upon reading poor Dad's
 letter to give me a bank bill of fifty pounds, he took
 out of the Privy Purse, but as I don't know where
 the Poor young man is, I send it to you, & by the
 favour that you will order one of your messengers
 to find him out, & if you judge proper to give him
 an answer as to this demand about a warrant
 as you see W.P.M. first demand I believe it will be
 be more effectual to convince him that it is useless to
 him, & that he should go & accept to. your lady, kind offer
 & stay with him privately in the country. Your messengers
 may perhaps either from the God bless, or at to want there
 find him out. I am with respect
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Your most obedient
 & most humble servant
 James Oult

I have not enough to be a witness to such a
 & it is quite easy when I see they can be
 I have been so good upon reading your
 letter to give me a frank bill of fifty pounds
 out of the bank, but as I am not
 the poor family, I have not the
 power that you will confer me of your
 to find him out, if you judge proper to give him
 an answer as to the money about a
 you see I have not the least
 to your affection, I am sure that
 I am not to be able to do so
 I hope with your friendship in the
 may perhaps be able to do so
 I am not out of your sight

Your kind
 & most humble
 friend
 James Oglethorpe

Wm Oglethorpe