

[7 June 19 1751]

Sir

Her Royal Highness commanded me yesterday to put Her in mind next week that a day might be appointed when you might enter into some consideration upon the most proper Establishment for the young Royal Family, consistent with the necessary Economy, & proper in all respects. I suppose you will see Her Royal Highness to morrow, & that you may propose the most convenient time, considering your Affairs at the Commons.

I mentioned to you Sir in a letter wrote yesterday in a hurry, that I had the day before carried an agreeable Command to Mrs Pott, The King had graciously consented (upon a letter from W. Pitt) that

Mr Post should be Mr's Privy Purse, This Step  
was in this particular Instance necessary in order to  
preserve the Pension as Maid of Honour to the late  
Queen; a man of much Worth, as well as great  
Power, who seemed greatly rejoiced at the thing it  
self expressed much uneasiness to know by what means  
it was brought about, always in prey to suspicions,  
making himself odious, & troublesome to all he dealt  
with, by this childish eagerness to find mysteries where  
there are none, & I will tell you in Confidence <sup>the</sup> has  
greatly disoblged a Certain Person by this behaviour.  
upon the present occasion tho' he approves of the Lady,  
he has been as Childish in his Enquiries as is possible,  
& more than would be credible of any man in the  
Shew except himself, there is something new very  
odd in a Conduct which gives room to think, that the

expects to give laws in relation to private servants  
 in the family, as if nothing of that nature could  
 or must be done without the Princes, which I think neither  
 will, nor do I imagine you think she ought to submit  
 to. When I received the Commands upon this Subject  
 the Princess with the usual Calmness told me that  
 she was firmly determined to keep to the self the  
 naming of all the Ladies who might upon any  
 occasion of vacancies, or in any use be thought  
 necessary by the to be employed in the service, &  
 I think did think it right that this should be made  
 known, to prevent solicitations, or such improper  
 hints, as she does not approve of, I wrote to Mr  
 Stone in Confidence, & told him of this in a pretty  
 particular & a very plain manner, for indeed I  
 cannot help being of opinion that a little decency  
 & respect ought to be observed, & not so prying

a curiosity shewn in the scrutinizing into the  
motives of W.P.M. nominations of the women, &  
establishing a sort of a claim to divert thee of  
a Power every Person has in their own Private  
Family, & I am glad the Princeps will not suffer it.  
By degrees such a disposition would enslave W.P.M.  
to the Caprice of one who every day changes except  
in one point, he being eternally jealous & different  
tho' he would at the same time give the Law to  
every Person he has the least Connection with.  
I was told some time ago that he was insufferable,  
& that on this point beyond Imagination. He will  
I am persuaded be putty with in a few months  
with Jealousy & perhaps not without reason) of a  
Friend of yours whose Entry upon the Stage again  
he now exults greatly upon. I am with respect

Saturday

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Your most obedt  
& most humble Servant  
J.C.