

[July 1 1751]

Sir

I have nothing at all to do in the present case but to obey Her Royal Highnesses Command; when I mentioned Mr Henley to you yesterday it was out of regard to the late Princes Memory to whom I knew he was personally attached, as to this being senior to Mr Bothurst, in this standing or being called to the Bar, that was not this session as I am informed for refusing the Gown totally, but a very honourable reason of another kind & respectful to the late Prince, but as to this not accepting the place of Solicitor now, I know yr he would if it were offered him, & I do not use to advance as facts, what I do not know to be such, this I only mention to you Sir, as to the Certainty, but ~~that~~ I have nothing further to

to observe upon this as the Case stands; because
you will see Her Royal Highness, who I'd all say
will put you under no difficulties, nor did ~~not~~ yes =
-tenday when I received Her Command understood
it in the light you ^{have} shew'd it me, but calmly
& wisely saw there was no Comparison between
a Boy & a Gentleman of Mr Henley's Fortune
& Reputation, & who had been by the late Prince
thought worthy of a very high rank in the Profession.
This is really the Case as I apprehend it, & I believe
WAM did by no means understand her self to have
been engaged by promise, else I am convinced she
would not have commanded me to write, but as things

appear by your letter, I have nothing to say, but only
 that I am concerned Mr Penley's Sentiments were
 not sooner known as I am convinced that it would
~~be~~ ^{have} conduced more to Her Royal Highness Service
 & Honour that a man of Experience, Character, &
 Worth should accept of such an Employment
 & attach himself to H.R.H. than if a very young
 man (tho' otherwise of great merit I make no doubt)
 has it merely because he solicits it, & I hope you
 will excuse me for writing freely to you upon this
 subject as I believe or at least fear a negative
 may be put by .. upon the young Gentleman,
 & in that Case it cannot be offered to His Highness
 afterwards. I am therefore really concerned & the more so,
 as I find that out of respect to Her Royal Highness

I did upon this occasion mention a thing to you which
I by no means knew you were engaged for to another,
and only hinted at first to prevent any engagement,
but in an hour after found that it would be accepted,
& from noble & disinterested motives, highly respectful
to Her R.H. I am thus particular for because I would have
the reasons understood how I interfered at all on this occasion,
because I never chose to meddle, nor shall for the future even
express upon this subject, & only beg leave to offer, whether
Mr Bathurst having the honour of being Attorney General,
it might not have been proper to have but hinted something
to him in politeness, as being a Gentleman, as well as
an officer of rank in the Law in Her R.H. Family. So
that in some measure in my poor opinion a little attention
to him might have been paid. You will forgive me I am
sure from your goodness of spirit to you without reserve
as no man can have a higher regard nor more sincere
respect than I shall ^{ever} ~~wholly~~ I love ^{in you} & I must beg the
favour to speak to you upon other subjects where your
advice is necessary to prevent inconveniences, which I confess
have vexed me of late & which I fear if not prevented

may produce ill humour some where, I have a good
 deal felted for eight days past upon the subject, &
 I apprehend more vexation from it, tho' I have not
 spoke to W.P.M. but very lightly upon it, & as she has
 suspected some things; all her original letters are
 sent for, & I take it will be here in 8 days; the mess
 have mentioned W.P.M. name thro' indiscretion, &
 vanity, & does not ~~disown~~ ^{deny} he has since the poor
 Prince's death, in what manner he has wrote I
 can not tell, but all the Correspondence will be laid
 upon, I am sure that W.P.M. forbid him to mention
 the name, she tho' way positively assured me within
 three days after the P. death that she had commanded
 him not to use the name directly or indirectly.
 If ~~they~~ ^{they} already ^{been} obtained that no mention shall be
 made at present, & indeed she... very readily

promised that in W.M.'s present situation there should
not be any notice taken ~~at~~ now, but tho' would afterwards
show all those letters. The ... seems to be wise hitherto
persuaded that Sch. has acted much, or perhaps entirely
from himself, but upon the whole I cannot but foresee
some disagreeable Circumstances may ~~be~~ arise which
^{will make} your Providence & good advice necessary, & I must therefore
beg half an hour discourse with you upon the subject;
W.M. will see the ... on Wednesday, but I hope nothing
will pass there on this subject. I can not say but yet
all the assistance there is given to serve W.M. I beg you
will burn this, & believe that I am really & truly concerned
to find you think your self in any difficulty, I shall send
your letter to W.M. & not go there this morning at all,
but will be at home, or meet you, if you think fit either
to day, or at any time of your Leisure wait upon you,
to talk upon Sch. affair that your advice may be known,
but I would forbear mentioning it to W.M. because

I apprehend she is near her home, as she has been
 out of order these two or three days past. God preserve her.
 I am with very sincere respect

Yours

Monday 7 a Clock.

[July 1 1851]

Your most obedient
 & most humble servant

JL

I am with you in every way
and I am sure you will be
out of order soon. I have
to speak there in the
house, as he has been

his

friend of the

of your kind
of your kind

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