Ld. Grenville

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Downing Street March 1. 1796.

Lord Grenville has the honour humbly to acquaint Your Majesty that the Count de Zeppelin is arrived in England with letters to Your Majesty from the Duke of Wurtemburgh and the Hereditary Prince. When Lord Grenville first saw M. de Zeppelin he opened to Lord Grenville no other business than

that

that of a negotiation about the Wurtemburgh troops at the Cape which the Duke was desirous of offering for Your Majesty's service there; an offer which Mr. Dundas seems to think it would not be advantageous for Your Majesty to accept.

Yesterday Lord Grenville received a note from Count Zeppelin saying that he had only opened to him a part of his Commission, and desiring to see him again to execute the other orders which he had received. Lord Grenville having accordingly seen him again this morning Count Zeppelin put into his hands the copies of letters from the Duke and Duchess of Wurtemburgh and from the Hereditary Prince which Lord Grenville has now the honour to transmit to Your Majesty.

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After this Count Zeppelin read to Lord Grenville a letter addressed by Count Zeppelin to some other person on the subject of what had passed respecting the Prince's former marriage, and tending to exculpate the Prince's conduct in that respect. This letter together with some other papers of the same tendency he requested Lord Grenville to lay before Your Majesty.

Lord Grenville judged that the only fit line for him to pursue on this occasion was to take the papers assuring Count Zeppelin that the whole should be laid before Your Majesty to whose decision Lord Grenville had only to refer himself without expressing any opinion or intimating any upon the subject. He only thought it right to mention it

to

Lord Grenville,
Downing Street
5th March 1790

to Count Zeppelin as his opinion that as the subject was not entirely new to Your Majesty it would be both more respectful to Your Majesty and in all respects better for the Hereditary Prince himself that the demand of a formal audience to deliver the letters should not be pressed until Your Majesty had considered the paper which Count Zeppelin was charged to submit, and which he had delivered to Lord Grenville.

Count Zeppelin agreed in the propriety of this, but said that if Your Majesty should not be disposed to give a favourable answer in the first instance His Master was desirous of obtaining Your Majesty's permission to make a journey to England in the hope of removing any unfavourable impressions which Your Majesty might have respecting Him.

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Die Veneris 11. Martij 1796.

Lords Present

Bp. Ely
Bristol.
St Asaph.
Gloucester
Bangor
Rochester
St Davids
Exeter
Oxford.

L. Chancellor.
D. Mansfield Mdd
D. Norfolk. E. M.
Dorset
Grafton
Bedford
Devonshire
Leeds
Portland

M. Abercorn
Cornwallis
Townshend

Vic. Sydney.

E. Chanct.
Breadalbane
Suffolk & Berks
Derby.
Oxford & Mortimer
Abingdon
Carlisle
Graham
Powis
Spencer
Pomfret.
Tankerville
Fitzwilliam
Pembroke & Montg.
Digby.
Scarborough
Stair
Westmorland.
Chesterfield
Albemarle.

Com. Harrington
Glasgow.

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Sandys
Boston
Walsingham
Thurlow
Auckland.
Upper Ossory.
Hawkesbury
Clifton.
Mulgrave.
Brownlow
Bonsonby.
Boringdon.
Clive.
Malmesbury
Douglas of Loch
Hay.
Somerville
Rife.
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H. of Lds Minutes

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The Order of the Day being read for the Lords to be summoned;

It was moved by the Earl of Lauderdale That the 14th Sect. of the Stat: 9 & 10 Wm. 3. c. 23. be read.

The same was accordingly read.

Then an Entry in the Journal of the House of Commons of 26th May 1701. being a Petition of the Planters in the Island of Barbadoes was read. – Also an Entry of the 16th Mar. 1701. being ~~also~~ a Petition of the Planters in Barbadoes: Also an Entry of the 28th March 1701: – also an Entry of the 24th March 1701. – Also an Entry of the 30th March 1702. – Also the 3d Sect. of Stat. 1. Gm. c. 7. were severally read.

Then it was moved by the Earl of Lauderdale That an Humble Address be presented to His Majesty, That the Duty or Impost of 4½ per centum arising in Barbadoes & the Leeward Islands be applied for the repairing and erecting such fortifications and other public Uses for the Safety of

the said Islands as His Majesty shall direct,

| For the Motion. | Against it |
|---|---|
| 2. Earl of Lauderdale in Reply | 1. Lord Grenville. |

Teller Earl of Lauderdale } Content. 6. Proxies 4. Total 10

Earl of Chesterfield } Not Content 42. Proxies. 31 Total 73.

Resolved in the Negative

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Earl Spencer
March 5th 1799

Earl Spencer has the Honour to inform your Majesty that an account is just received by the Telegraph, that Admiral Duncan had sailed this morning from the Downs at seven o'clock with the Squadron under his Command consisting of the Royal Russel, Monarch, Robust & Ramilies, accompanied by the Philip Russian Line of Battle Ships, & the Proserpine Frigate. The Wind being very scant the

Robert, Ramilies and Philips came to an anchor in the Downs again soon after getting under way & the Admiral with the other Ships anchored off the N.e Foreland to wait for them. A second Message in this moment come up saying that those three Ships are now again getting under way with the Wind at South East; and Capt Mercer points that they will be enabled to get to Sea.

Admiralty 5 Mar: 1796. 2 P.M.

Ld. Bute

Jan. 7 1796

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Sir

Your Majesty's goodness to me is such that I cannot refrain from taking the liberty of laying myself

at your feet to express my humble thanks and acknowledgements for the great mark of honor you have been pleased to confer upon me, the more gratifying as it secures the name and dignity of my family from being totally obliterated. Your Majesty's gracious message of approbation, conveyed through the Duke of Portland, adds not a little to my pride. I need not assure your Majesty how

Ld. Bute

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much I am devoted to your Royal Person; and there wanted no favors, your Majesty had already conferred sufficient, to make me zealously exert myself wherever your Majesty thought proper to employ me. And the whole scope of my ambition will be filled, should I prove able to acquit myself in my present arduous and delicate position to your Majesty's satisfaction.

I am

Sir

Your Majesty's

most dutiful

and devoted Subject

Bute

Madrid. 7. March. 1796

Lord Bute

7th March 1796

C. de Salgas

Mar. 8 1796

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Sire,

Dans l'impossibilité où je suis de temoigner à Vôtre Majesté toute ma Reconnoissance pour la nouvelle Grace qu'Elle vient de me faire & dont M. le Général de Budé vient de m'instruire, je ne puis que La supplier très humblement d'en agréer ici la simple expression. J'en chercherois vainement d'assez énergiques pour rendre les Sentiments d'un coeur qui sent depuis longtemps tout le prix de Ses Bienfaits, & dont le plus grand regret a été & sera toujours de n'avoir pas pu Lui consacrer en entier une vie dont Ses Bontés ont fait la gloire & le bonheur. Une illusion flateuse ajoute à celui dont me fait jouir à présent la certitude que je viens d'acquérir de l'intérêt que Vôtre Majesté daigne encore prendre à mon sort. Il me semble que la nouvelle Grace qui me la donne me

rapproche, pour ainsi dire, de Son auguste Personne & me rend l'avantage inestimable d'appartenir plus directement au meilleur des Maîtres. Puissiez Vous, Sire, jouir enfin de tout le bonheur que Vous répandez autour de Vous, & faire longtemps celui de Sa Majesté la Reine, de la Famille Royale & des Peuples que la Providence a confiés à Vos Soins. Ce sont les Vœux ardents & constants d'un Cœur plein de l'admiration & de Reconnoissance pour Votre Majesté.

Je suis & je serai jusqu'à mon dernier Soupir avec le plus profond Respect & le plus entier Devouement,

Sire,

de Votre Majesté,

Rome 8e. Mars 1796.

Le très humble & très obéissant Serviteur,

C. de Salgas.

Mr Pitt.

March 9. 1796

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Downing Street

March 9th 1796. ½ P. 11 Pm

Mr Pitt is this moment honored with Your Majesty's Commands, and will give Directions for the Warrant to be prepared to appoint Mr Wyatt to succeed Sir William Chambers. Mr Pitt had received no Account of the Vacancy; if he had, he would have taken the first Opportunity of requesting Your Majesty's Orders on the Subject.

Mr. Pitt.

Downing St. 10th March 1796.

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint Your Majesty that a Motion was this day made by Mr Grey for a Committee on the State of the Nation, which was opposed by Mr Jenkinson, Mr Montagu and Mr Hale, and supported by Mr Canning, and by Mr Grey in reply, after which

the Motion was negatived by 207 to 45.

Downing Street.

Thursday March 10th 1796.

The Duke of Portland
14th March 1796

8140

The Duke of Portland begs leave to lay before Your Majesty two Letters which he received to day, from The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland respecting the Irish Brigade; & with all humility to submit to Your Majesty the expediency of adhering to the Rule Your Majesty commanded the Duke of Portland to lay down for the choice the Lord Lieutenant was to make of the Regiments to be ordered for immediate service by which that to which Your Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Lieutenant Walsh Smart Colonel will be one of the two first to be sent, amounting to its original establishment

The Duke of Portland also presumes to offer to Your Majesty a Letter from the Lord Advocate in which a better account is given of the quantity of Corn supposed to be actually in Scotland than has yet been received from that part of the Kingdom, from whence it may be hoped that the pretence for disturbances similar to those which the Letter states to have been quelled at Inverness will long exist, even in the minds of those whose fears or malevolence may render them the most alive to apprehensions of scarcity. The Duke of Portland has approved Lord Adam Gordon of the state

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The Duke of Portland
14th March 1796

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in which the Garrison of Fort George is represented to be
with regard to Provisions, & has written to the Board of Treasury
to the same effect — in consequence of the Letter from the
Magistrates of Birmingham which is herewith humbly offered to
Your Majesty, directions have been sent to them by the Duke
of Portland to take up Burns & Barhurst, & the depositions
which had been taken by the Magistrates have been laid before
the Attorney & Solicitor General for their opinions & advice as
to the proceedings which should be had against them & the other
persons

persons who took any part in disseminating the doctrines &
dissatisfaction which they were intended to raise —

The Duke of Portland is sure, that Your Majesty will have the
most pleasure in being told that the Corn Market had a better
appearance to day than it has ever had since the commencement
of the present scarcity, that there is plenty of flour in Town, & that
at noon there were no purchasers at 120/ pr Bushell though two
shillings pr Bushel cheaper than at the last market day, which was
last Friday, to authorised from Your Majesty this information when
were

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was given to a Committee of Council at Lord Buckingham's Office by the Lord Mayor, who stated it to be his opinion that Wheat would be before the end of this day, or at farthest at the next market, five shillings pr. Bushell cheaper than it was at the last, & that there was a great probability that the price of all grain would now begin & continue to fall gradually.—

Buckingham House
Monday, eight 14 March 1796.—

Duke of Portland
20th March 1796

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The Duke of Portland most humbly begs leave to offer to Your Majesty the memorial or representation of Lord Delaval & Colonel Cawthorne which was put into his hands this evening by Lord Delaval, whose instances to have it laid before Your Majesty have been so frequently & so urgently pressed upon the Duke of Portland notwithstanding his having as constantly stated to Lord Delaval that the Judge Advocate was the only proper person to take & signify Your Majesty's pleasure in cases of the nature of that in behalf of which they implore Your Majesty's Clemency

Clemency, that the Duke of Portland was not able to resist any longer & accordingly submits this petition to Your Majesty with that additional deference & humility which a just sense of his own presumption as well as of the magnitude of the Offence, for which Your Majesty's mercy is implored, makes him feel so peculiarly necessary in the present instance —

Burlington House
Sunday, 20 March 1796
2m/40 p. 11. p. m.

Landgrave of Hesse Cassel

Mar. 21 1796

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Sire!

Par le raport, que le Bn de Kutzleben, mon Envoyé extraordinaire auprès de Votre Majesté vient de me faire d'une conference tenuë avec Mylord Grenville, j'apprends avec bien de la peine, qu'on me suppose des stipulations secrètes avec la France au détriment de la Grande Bretagne, et que par cette raison l'on me réfuse à la Trésorerie le payement des sommes, qui me sont duës encore en vertu du Traité de subsides.

Je supplie Votre Majesté avec instance, de vouloir rendre à mes anciens et fidèles sentimens d'attachement pour Elle la justice, de croire, que je suis incapable de contracter jamais des liaisons contraires aux interets de la Grande-Bretagne

ni

ni aux États de Votre Majesté en Allemagne; que la neutralité convenuë avec la France, n'a été de ma part que le pur effet de la nécessité, où je me vis, d'accéder au Traité de paix conclû entre la Prusse et la France, pour sauver mes États d'une ruine affreuse et totale; et que bien loin, d'entrer dans des engagemens nuisibles à l'Angleterre ou à l'Electorat d'Hannovre, j'ai plutôt insisté sur l'observation stricte et inviolable de ceux, qui m'étaient dictés par le Traité de subsides conclû avec Votre Majesté, — tel que les articles de la neutralité le prouvent eux mêmes notoirement — et Vous savés mieux, que personne, Sire, que ce n'est pas moi, qui les ai rompû.

J'ose donc me flatter, que Votre Majesté daignera faire remplir aussi les conditions, que ce même Traité de subsides m'assure réciproquement, et que par conséquent Elle ne permettra pas,

que

Landgrave of Hesse Cassel

Mar. 21 1796

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subsides m'assure
ne permettra pas,

que

que l'on mette des obstacles à l'acquit des sommes, que sa Tresorerie me retient par une supposition mal fondée.

Je suis avec le plus profond respect

Sire

De Votre Majesté

Cassel
ce 21. Mars,
1796.

le très humble très obéissant,
serviteur et Cousin.
Guillaume L

Accompanies the Pope
March 21. 1746

The Duke of Portland
21st March 1796

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The Duke of Portland humbly begs leave to submit to Your Majesty the enclosed extract of a Letter from Grenada which was communicated to him this afternoon, & which from the particularity of the details respecting St Vincents he presumes to hope may not be unacceptable to Your Majesty —

The Writer is a Moravian Missionary, & it was addressed to a Brother Clergyman of the same sect who resides in London —

Whitehall Monday 21st March 1796
10 p. 6. p m.

Ld. Grenville

Mar. 22 1796

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Dropmore March 22d 1796.
10. PM.

Lord Grenville has the honour to submit for Your Majesty's consideration an application which he has received from Mr de Hagell, and upon which Lord Grenville had intended to have asked Your Majesty's pleasure tomorrow. But as Lord Grenville has no other business in town he presumes to request that if Your Majesty should have no

other

other commands for him Your Majesty wou'd be graciously pleased to dispense with his attendance tomorrow.

Lord Granville's
Secd
22nd March 1836

Ld. Spencer

Mar. 22 1796

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In consequence of the Death of his High Excellency, Earl Spencer has the Honour of submitting to your Majesty the Name of Lord Hood to succeed that Officer in the Government of the Royal Hospital at Greenwich, and that your Majesty may be

fully apprized of the Grounds on which Earl Spencer thinks it his Duty to comply with Lord Hood's Request in this Respect, he now presumes to lay before your Majesty the Correspondence which has passed between them on the Subject.

Earl Spencer begs to receive your Majesty's Pleasure by the Return of the Messenger tomorrow morning, that in case the Appointment shall

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be honoured with your Majesty's Approbation, Lord Howe may be appointed in time to pay his Duty to your Majesty at the Levee on the Occasion.

Admiralty 22 Mar: 1796.

Lord Fitzroy
Somerset
22nd March 1856

Ld. Spencer

Mar. 25 1796

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Earl Spencer has the Honour of laying before your Majesty several Letters received this morning at the Admiralty, containing Intelligence of the safe arrival of the Cadiz Homeward bound fleet of the Prizes of the Cork division of the W. India outward bound fleet, and of Sir John Borlase Warren's being left on Friday evening last engaged with a Squadron of French Frigates, having captured & sent in a small part of the Convoy under their Charge.

Earl Spencer,
to
Admiralty - 25. March 1796

Earl Spencer avails himself of this opportunity of humbly soliciting your Majesty's Permission to pass the next Week at Bath to which place he has been advised by his Physicians to go for a short time for the Benefit of his Health, & the present Recess of Parliament appearing to afford the least inconvenient opportunity for his Absence, he flatters himself that your Majesty will not disapprove it.

Admiralty 25. Mar: 1796.

Adml. Robert Digby

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March y.e 27.th 1796

Sir

I had determin'd never again to trouble Your Majesty on my own account, but as it is natural when oppress'd to seek for redress I find myself once more applying to You Sir for Protection against Enemys too powerful for me to withstand. Under Your Protection Sir I have receiv'd the greatest relief from all my mortifications and had nearly forgotten them, but shall ever with gratitude remember Your goodness to me! I now find fresh mortifications coming from a quarter I did not expect, I have waited in hopes of receiving some consolation by a letter from Lord Spencer, If it had been merely to say he was sorry he coul'd not protect me, it woul'd have afforded me some satisfaction, and I might still have look'd forward without troubling Your Majesty, which is now become necessary To preserve your good opinion Sir is one of the first objects of my life, I therefore beg leave to lay before you a letter I wrote to Lord Spencer on the 18.th, to which I receiv'd a cold answer previous to the disposal of the Governorship of

Greenwich Hospital, that Your Majesty
may judge of my very unpleasant and
mortifying Situation, all prospect in the
service being for the present taken from
me unless Your Majesty shall be pleas'd
to allow me to hope for Your future Protec

I am Sir Your Majesty's
very dutifull Servant

Jos. Tyler

Adml. Robert Digby to Hd. Spencer
Enclosure

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Harley St. March 18th 1796.

My Lord

I owe it to myself that Your Lordship should be thoroughly impressed with my situation, In effecting this I think I shall give Your Lordship much less trouble by writing, and be able to express myself more clearly than by desiring an audience. When I had the honor of waiting on you last I did not apprehend that I was so near a similar mortification to that I had before felt. Since there was a Senior Flag Flying and I knew there was a meritorious Officer who had been wounded, also anxious, to have solicited for one of the few Emoluments we are held out for the Encouragement of Officers when they arrive near the Top of the Service. I desire not to be thought what I wish'd to do. I only wish to guard against another Slight, not to call it by a more disagreeable name, but call it by whatever name, it must affect my Character which had before suffered I feel I merited or I positively should not have received that Gracious compliance with my request to give one a Marks of my Favor which certainly had the Effect of softning my Mortifications, but I cannot suppose this Mark meant to preclude me looking forward to those things which every Officer looks to, and which I have in some measure look'd to for above 30 years and for more than 16 with a degree of expectation, having at that time been honored with a great charge which made me to the Service. If I had been

ambitious or avaricious I should certainly recall
myself to His Maj.ty's very gracious demand in 84
"If I wish for anything". I did not indeed foresee
said as I had been beyond my merits, but not
requiring any reward but His Maj.ty's approbation
of my conduct, that I should be liable to have
Juniors in the service receive a preference, upon
every occasion. Yet Ha. Ld.ship seems given
me up, for I look upon myself as every other
Off.r in the service, under Ld.ship's protection.
That my Hon.r is not flown to be my fault
my Lord. I offered my service in a lett.r dated Dec. 3.d
1792 and on the 22. received an answer to my second
lett.r that my Hon.r & service should be laid bef.
Ye His Maj.ty. I have ever been ready to serve
I have served thro' every lat.r, I have never quitted
my post, I never chose my service, no wonder refused
nor was I ever a [illegible] to command. I offered
to go 2. or 3 [illegible] to go any where, but when I found the object
was to prevent my service and that I had
such powerful Enemies. Will Ld.ship blame me
for reconciling myself to my mortifications
in endeavouring to forget them and having done
so, Will Ld.ship wonder that I have not repeated
my offers to serve, tho' I have myself in the way of
experiencing in common the effects & difficulties

Adml. Robert Digby to Hd. Spencer
Enclosure

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[illegible] former mortifications. If you will consider the disadvantages I labour under from not having been suffered to have any ship or officer named for me Can indulgence allowed to every other flag officer, I had chosen & named in my second letter to Chatham disabled from serving. Even other flag officers of every kind appointed, called to Spithead & exercised alone were allowed to hoist their flags & [illegible] a change of such consequence as [illegible] required more [illegible] to have felt [illegible] outside. But let me repeat it again [illegible] I [illegible] zealous service [illegible] I hope will make [illegible] that I have some right to [illegible] protection. [illegible] Ever [illegible] D.

Earl Spencer — a Copy

Copy of a letter
to Earl Spencer
March 18th 1796.