

Miss Mary Howard to Lady Liverpool (Theodosia)

Madam

I hope your Ladyship will pardon the liberty
I take in addressing you, being entirely unknown
to you, but the high character you bear for goodness
of Heart & feeling for others, has induced me to lay
my situation before you, which I trust will
plead my excuse; — My Dear Father who was a
younger Brother of the late Sir George Howard,
died about fifteen months ago, and my Mother
a Sister of the late Earl of Seaforth & otherwise
highly connected, by the death of my Father an
annuity and other property went from his family,
from which circumstance my Mother & myself
cannot support the situation in life which we
have been accustomed to, in this distressing
situation, my Mother was advised to present a
petition for a Pension for our joint lives, to the
Prince Regent, which she did last Spring through
Lord Keith (who is her Relation) who gave

with into the Regents' own hand. He graciously said
we had a good claim, & himself put it in a cover
and sent it to Mrs Percival, but by the unfortunate
Death of Mrs Percival, & Lord Keble being absent
we have not heard more of it. —

Thus situated may I hope your Ladyship will
forgive my intreating your interest in favour
of our Petition, as my dear Mother & myself are
left in a particularly forlorn state, her only son
Major General Howard being in Portugal, where he
has been serving ~~two~~ years; he is married to a
Daughter of the Earl of Rosebery, and has a large
family; — If your Ladyship honors me with an
answer to this, my address is Miss Howard Terrace
Arundel. I am thus particular as there is another
family of the same name in White Town;

Miss Mary Howard to ? Lady Liverpool (: Theodosia)

and I have the honor to be with the highest respect
your Majesty's most obedient

Humble Servant
Mary Howard

Arundell Dec^r 18th 1812

*a pension
was granted*