

Sir

In obedience to your Majesty's command  
I have the honor to inform your Majesty  
that the Duke of Wellington is very much  
better to day and I have every hope he  
will be so far recovered tomorrow as  
to be able to pay his respects to your Majesty  
at Windsor which I believe he intends to  
have the honor of doing.

The Duke was attacked on  
Friday with simple inflammatory Fever  
without determination to the head or any  
local affection whatever which however was  
so violent that it did not yield even to  
repeated bleedings till Sunday, from w<sup>e</sup>  
day he has been nearly free from fever,  
although he continued languid and weak  
till the evening of yesterday: but having  
had a good night he feels himself much  
recruited to day.

I shall not fail in obedience to  
the commands of your Majesty to impress  
upon the mind of the Duke your Majesty's  
anxiety for his welfare and the necessity

of

bestowing constant and unremitting  
attention to the state of his health.

All that is necessary are  
attention and care and with these (as  
the Duke has no organic disease) I  
have no doubt that in time his health  
will be completely and permanently  
re-established

I have the honor to be  
your Majesty's  
Most devoted & faithful  
Servant & Subject

J P M'Nee

I had the honour of informing  
your Majesty yesterday that the  
Duke of Wellington was much recovered  
and that I hope he should be able  
as was his most anxious desire  
to pay his <sup>duty</sup> respects to your majesty  
tomorrow to day.

I am happy to say  
that

that he is even better this morning  
than he was yesterday but the  
sun is very hot and I am anxious  
to see how the Duke bears a weak  
~~health~~<sup>infusion</sup> of Bark which has been  
prescribed as a mild general  
Tonic I have ventured to entreat  
him to put off his visit to your  
Majesty till tomorrow.

The employment of Bark  
in any shape so soon after inflammatory  
fever may require explanation and  
entreat your Majesty's forgiveness for  
stating that ever since the Duke had fully  
remitteat fever in India all his complaints  
even those which at the commencement  
have shewn the most unequivocal symptoms  
of inflammation have been followed by  
irritative fever of the rem<sup>t</sup>. form; that  
this

This late attack like all the others, although at the beginning the hard and full pulse with the very inflamed state of the head showed marks of high muscular excitement, has been followed by slight remissions and exacerbations and that being usually accompanied by relaxation of the palate & uvula which in all cases is attended with feverish languor the use of mild tonics has been rendered more than usually necessary. The exhibition however of medicines of this class requires great care & much caution when given after an illness, partly inflammatory & it has been more than commonly difficult to manage the employment of bark in the late complaints of the Duke of Wellington because although formerly, it always proved a certain and immediate remedy the tendency of his system to take an inflammatory action has been so great ever since the unfortunate application to his ear that we have never been able to continue or to push the bark to the point necessary respecting its usual purpose.

I presume upon the great interest  
~~you~~ your Majesty takes in the health  
of the Duke for pardoning the liberty I have  
now taken in troubling you on your Majesty's  
goodness &c &c