

Parillon

Dec. 17. 1878

Sir

It was unavoidable the  
delay which has attended  
my reply to the different  
points which your Royal  
Highness did me the honor  
to put to me and to intrust  
to my management -

It is my duty to inform  
your Royal Highness, that

I suffered no time to elapse  
in submitting to the same  
Report your Royal Highness  
intention of returning to  
England, previous to the  
happy event in prospect,  
and your Royal Highness's  
hope of accommodation  
during your residence  
there - His Royal Highness

commanded me to obtain  
accurate Information as to  
the ability of the different  
Departments to meet this  
increase of expenditure,  
with the expression of His  
desire that everything  
practicable should be  
done for the comfort and  
convenience of the Duke

of Kent & of your Royal  
Highness at so interesting  
a moment: It is therefore  
with the deepest regret  
that, His Royal Highness,  
in consequence of the report  
of the State Officers, commands  
me to acquaint you, that  
their Funds are inadequate  
to meet the slightest  
increase, without incurring

Sept: and, as there remained  
no other expedient, in this  
state of things, than appealing  
to Lord Liverpool, I accordingly  
did so, & this morning, His  
Lordship has distinctly  
declared his inability to  
contribute, in the best  
possible sum to the purpose  
of your Royal Highness, and  
as a point for Parliament

furnishes the only source from which the supply could be obtained. His Lordship is persuaded that your Royal Highness would not willingly expose yourself to a fresh discussion upon this subject, particularly at the opening of a new Parliament, the composition of which is still highly problematical.

The Prince Regent, in charging me with every appearance of affectionate love to the Duchess of Kent & to your Royal Highness, commended me to apprise you, that Her Royal Highness, the Duchess of Clarence being to be confined at Hanover, for which preparation is actually making; the

could not resist recommending  
to your Royal Highness, to  
adopt the same measure  
by which, not only this great  
expenditure would be  
avoided, but that in of  
ininitely higher Importance  
Her Royal Highness should  
be relieved for the Dangers  
& fatigues of a long Journey  
at a moment of such

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critical Interest to England.  
Your Royal Highness &  
The Duke of Kent will  
learn, with great Satis-  
faction, that the Prince  
Regent resumes his  
Composure, and has been  
already benefited by the  
quite a good air of this  
Place.

Entreaty your Royal Highness  
to believe that my utmost  
desire must ever be  
incapable to prove my  
gratitude & devotion

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Royal Highness  
most devoted  
& humble servant  
R. Mumpkin

P.S. So unexpected was  
your Royal Highness's proposal  
to come to England, that the  
Prince Regent commended  
me to add, that Mr. Knolly  
Taylor was desired upon  
to be in attendance for  
the purpose of proving  
the birth. which selection  
was made because



Mr. Taylor was one of the  
Parties to Genl Ryel's  
Marriage.

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in B. B. B. B.  
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Private

Amstercam 19<sup>th</sup> Decr 1788

My Dear Mr Marshall

I received this day your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> Instant, in which you will have been apprized, that I had, at length, got your deficient letter, enclosing one from Sir Benjamin Bloomfield, and that I was aware of the cause of the delay, that had arisen in the arrival of that, and other letters, viz the little attention shown at Lord Castlereagh's Office at Aix la Chapelle, to forward <sup>them</sup> from thence, as some have lain weeks, without having been transmitted. From the circumstance, of which of course you are aware since Captain Courage's interview with Sir Benj. Bloomfield, it is most probable, that we shall

Lieut. General Marshall

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be obliged to relinquish my plan of  
taking the Dutchess over to lay in  
in England, through the most advantageous  
to us both, on every account, and in  
that case, I conclude you will, instead  
of coming over at the end of August,  
think of moving, as soon as the Annual  
Equinox is over, so as to join us in all  
April. Under that conviction, I purchased  
of the Dealer, who brought over the  
Horses. Mr. Schindler ordered for you  
a pair of particularly fine Mares, ris-  
ing six years old, three days since,  
for one Hundred Guineas, the same  
price I gave for a pair of Blacks, to  
replace the oldest pair of the Dutchess,  
that have been cast. With regard to  
the payment, the Man has agreed to  
take it at Review, the first half about  
the

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the middle of February, and the other  
half at Easter; as they have therefore  
been delivered under my care. Mr. de  
Schindler's responsibility, you will  
have the goodness to instruct Mr. Coote,  
to transmit an order to Mr. Charles  
Pedraglin at Millenberg, to make the  
payments at the two periods, I have  
agreed for. The Mares are in my stable  
under Lewis's direction, and will be fed  
as my own Charlton Horses, which will  
cost about £10 7s per month for each they  
will be attended by a Sufferer at about Eleven  
pence a day, which, with the grazing,  
will be the whole expense you will be  
put to, & you will have the satisfaction  
when you arrive, of finding them sea-  
soned, and fit for any work. I have  
also secured a good Seven Stall stable  
for

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for you, with Stablesman Hoovey, and two  
Coach Horses, at a very moderate Rent,  
so that I hope you will be perfectly  
comfortable. With regard to the House  
now occupied by Mr. Butler, he perfectly  
understands, that I let him have it  
only on the terms of his holding it, upon  
différance en vous & in the interim  
I have upon my hands, the principal  
Money of the other House, that was  
restored for him, at the Rent of £50  
per Annum, since the first of this Month;  
but before I give it up, as it is clear  
it would not suit any one, unless they  
had the lower part also, as at present  
that is the resort of all sorts of Company  
for Smoking and playing Cards, I am  
anxious to have your decision, upon  
the last representation I made, relative  
to

to it, especially as after the manner  
in which the Prince Regent has desired  
it to be signified to us, that he is against  
our coming home, I see no other prospect  
but that of my necessarily remaining  
here for the whole of the next five  
years, and which will probably induce  
you to wish to be more respectably  
accommodated, than, if you had only the  
prospect of remaining two. Indeed at  
all events, I shall wait your final answer  
to this letter, before I relinquish the House,  
for I do really consider it, so eligible  
a situation for you, and your family,  
being now satisfied that it is not exposed  
to damp, and that, when finished, it  
will be the best House here next to the  
one we inhabit, that I hope you will decide  
upon it, <sup>and then</sup> I will undertake to have it  
ready

ready for you by the 10<sup>th</sup> of May. You will of course move without Carriages, by Water to Ghent, and from thence hire a conveyance for your self and Baggage to Brussels, where you will find my Travelling Barouche, and the Dutchess Landau, both complete with Trunks in perfect repair, ready to convey your family in the most comfortable manner from Brussels here. You are aware, the two contain accommodation for six full size persons inside, and four out, and therefore I hope you will find yourselves amply accommodated, and, as the Carriages will have our Arms, I think I can manage without any breach of good faith, to enclose to you the order I had for my Baggage to pass the frontiers unsearched. But we shall enter into further particulars when

when I know your determination, as to your own Proceedings, upon being apprised of the necessity, we are under, to forego our favorite plan, of the Dutchess Laying in at home. I am glad to find, that you were so well attended upon the occasion of the solemn ceremony of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, but pray how does it happen, that Sir George Anson, Moore, and Diabwater, were absent, for if, within the limits of the United Kingdom, I really conceive it was their bounden duty, upon such an occasion, to have come any distance to the point. The little package from Birch it will be time enough for you to bring, when you come over, together with the minor articles to be provided by Captain Courcy, such as Tea Caddies, Cellarats, &c. &c. On the whole, every thing

has come over, as well as could be expected,  
and the Damage Done is very trifling,  
and I can say the same of your Landmill,  
Cabinets, Harpste, all of which are in  
Swan's care, and your Trunks in Beck's.  
With respect to the Drain, which I  
desired Lawford to execute, nothing can  
be simpler, it consists in unroofing first,  
the Area under the Window in the  
Dormitory, and that, under the  
Blank Window at the South end of the  
Billiard Room, by carrying both on  
the Chimney under the Portico of the  
Music Hall, then, from the South West  
Angle of that Area, close to the Door  
opening from the end of the Hall into  
the Narrow Road, cutting a drain crossing  
the Narrow Road, and coming out into  
the Ditch on the left or South side of it,  
but it

which drain need only be taken so  
low into the ditch, as to ensure a constant  
fall from the South West Angle of the  
House, towards Mr. Hawkins's field; It would  
then be requisite also, to have the bottom  
of the Area, above described, with a small  
fall from the Angle of it nearest to  
the Well, to the other Angle, at the South  
West corner of the Building. I hope  
this will be sufficient, but if it should  
not, I will endeavour to express it, better  
on the plan you are to send me. In the  
mean while, I am glad to find, that  
Dunghfield and Loozou, are both getting  
on with the repairs, which need not be  
hurried, but I hope, will be effectually done.  
I sincerely hope, that the report you  
may have heard of a meeting of a conciliatory  
nature, having taken place between  
the



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 The Prince Regent and Duke of Sussex through  
 the intervention of the Duke of York, may  
 prove true, but I am almost fearful  
 it is too good news for me to hope to see  
 it confirmed. - This Lutebap, and my-  
 self are most grateful for Mr. McArthur's  
 recollection, and desire our kind regards  
 to her, and your Daughter. I will parti-  
 -cularly your best acknowledgements to all else  
 here, who I am sure will be grateful  
 for it, and rejoice at the prospect of seeing  
 you, now so much earlier than they  
 had hoped for; and now recollecting nothing  
 else, I have only to repeat the sentiments  
 of friendly regard, with which I ever am,

My Dear McArthur!

Yours faithfully  
 Edward

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 P.S. Perhaps it may be as well for you  
 to give Mr. Hume a hint of the same  
 things have taken, and to add of your  
 -self, without entering into further par-  
 -ticulars, that you are convinced from  
 your own observation, and knowledge,  
 that with every exertion on my part  
to keep expenses down, as much as  
possible, the whole would come, when  
summed up, to near a third more, than  
the estimate, I had given in, while by  
the irregular & unbecomingly conduct of the  
Belgic owned of the House at Brussels, full  
£1500 is locked up there, which otherwise  
would now have been in my hands,  
and that one of the unpleasant conse-  
-quences of this war, <sup>that of</sup> the Prince Regent's  
refusing us any assistance to meet the  
additional expense of our coming over,

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over, would preclude the possibility of  
our being in England, for the accretionment. &c

19 Dec. 1810

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H. Q. M. J. M. J. M.

Memoranda for General Pitt Rivers  
 1<sup>st</sup> The Dutchess requests that he will  
 purchase for her 2 large Pots of Blue Cold  
 Cream made by Götter & Ponce of N<sup>o</sup> 57  
 New Bond Street observing to get it the  
 last thing before he leaves England in  
 order that it may be the freshest and to  
 apprise them of his being the intention  
 to take it abroad so that they may as far  
 as possible guard against its getting  
 second from the same persons 2 large Pots  
 of Almond Paste for the same the same  
 as the Dutchess has purchased of them before  
 the same observation applies to this as to  
 the former Third 4 Bottles of Meers  
 Aquilone Fourth 4 half pint Bottles  
 of Aromatick Vinegar Fifth 2 Mail  
 Brushes to be taken and 2 half Mail Brushes  
 for the Table That he will take charge  
 of the Packet for Mrs Conroy thro' the  
 and of another for Princess Augusta and  
 the Dutchess of Gloucester which it will  
 be necessary to get through the Foreign  
 Office

Office to avoid any thing unpleasant at  
the Custom House

The above are Commissions for the Duties  
for the Duke the General will have the  
goodness to observe that Captain Conroy  
has been desired to provide the following  
articles. A Forcing Pump, a small Case  
of Surgical Instruments, a Bushel Measure,  
a Peck Measure and a Quarter Measure,  
2 Lambens of the pattern shown by Sir  
Bampf. Bloomfield, 4 Sets of Shoe Brushes,  
12 Hair Combs, and 6 Wash Brushes, the  
whole of the above for the Stables, as also  
some Tea Caddies and Cellars. Of these  
the articles marked with a cross and then  
for the Duties it is hoped the General  
will be able to bring over himself in his  
Carriage. The others it is requested may be  
packed in one strong Case and taken  
with him by the Packet to Ostend where  
they will be landed free with his own  
Baggage in consequence of the precaution  
taken by the Duke with the Belgic Govern-  
ment and this case the General will  
then

then have forwarded by the Carrels to Rotterdam  
consigned to Mr. Ferris the British Consul  
there properly addressed à Son Altesse  
Royale. Monsieur le Duc de Saxe et  
Stathouwer Comte de Dublin à Amsterd.  
par Rotterdam Colonne. Muy me Transport  
de Mitherrburg recommandé aux soins de  
Mr. Charles Pedraglia à ce dernier endroit  
and accompanied by the request that  
Mr. Ferris will take the necessary steps  
to have it forwarded by Water accordingly  
The General is also requested to take  
charge of a Cellarit concerning which  
the Duke has already written to Captain  
Conroy but to profuse with regard to the  
Lock which his Master Patent Key of Bramble  
construction cannot open this Cellarit  
The General will also have the kindness  
to bring back the will of course follow  
up the business of Castle Hill with the  
friend of Colonel Shoultow observing to  
that Gentleman that he will not object  
to let the House and Grounds for five  
Years for the Rent of two thousand Guineas

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as it stands after the removal of the Books  
the Liquor in the Cellar the articles in  
the Show Room and the three Musical  
Instruments, Linen, China, Crochery,  
Glass and Kitchen Utensils, provided  
the Gentlemen will agree to take for the  
time the Post, and Housemaid, the 6th  
Cookman, the Watchman, the Pump for the  
Kitchen & Strong Room and that he will  
undertake to keep the Grounds in the  
lightest possible order a clause might  
also be made that if at the end of the  
five years the Gentlemen should wish  
to purchase the place the five years rent  
will be taken in abatement of the 60,000  
Guineas asked for the purchase when he  
will retain every thing as it stands excepting  
the Pictures, Prints, Clocks, the Bronze, Lustres,  
and three Chairs the which are attached the  
Cushions received from the Emperor of Morocco  
part of which are in the second lower Drawing  
Room and part in the Upper Library.

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The Dutchess wishes to have 3 Peplins  
one a rich Maroon Brown - one a  
Pistachio Green - one a fawn Grey -  
and 2 Tablinette - one a brilliant Sky  
Blue or Azure - 1 a rich Rose Colour. The  
quantity of each should be sufficient  
to make either a gown or jacket.

2 Pair of Half Boots 1 Black leather & 1 Black  
Woolen stuff - Hand with direction from  
Mr. Lewis, and both the ladies.

Memorandum relative to the Table  
Mans Diet.

A Man is appointed to buy their  
Cloth, take charge of their Utensils, and  
fetch their Medicines from the Store  
at each time of Meal, which will be  
8 for Breakfast, 8 for Dinner, and 8 for  
Supper. They are expected to attend at  
each Meal at the appointed hour, unless  
when they are obliged to be absent on duty,  
when the Man who is at the head of the  
Table, will take care to see their proportion  
put by and kept against their return.  
At Breakfast they are to have Coffee,

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boiled Milk, one Ounce of Sugar per person,  
and two large Rolls being about half  
a pound. N.B. This superior Bread is given  
them being made with Butter in place  
of giving butter with their bread. At  
Dinner they are to have a pound and a  
quarter of Meat per person roasted or boiled,  
with Vegetables, and when the latter is served  
they will receive a pound loaf per person  
which is to serve for Dinner & Supper, and  
a Bottle of Beer at each of their Meals,  
the Bottle containing about a pint and  
a quarter. At Supper they will have  
besides what they may have left from  
Dinner, 2½ Ounces of good Cheese. Every  
Man is to have his own Bottle and Cork,  
which is to be returned after each Meal  
by the Man who lays the Cloth. Should  
any provisions contain the Duke's in-  
-tention either be short of the quantity  
allowed, or of a bad description, the Man  
at the head of the Table will make his complaint  
to

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the General Pitt-Rivers, and in his absence the  
Mr Beck, who having himself nothing to  
do with presiding the provisions of dealing  
out the portions, can have no interest  
in not seeing justice done them.

Swan will be held responsible to lock  
the Stable Gate at half past Nine, and  
for the presence of all his own people at  
that hour, as will Cook for the presence  
of his, and if at any time any one should  
be shut out, those two are responsible  
to make their report, according to the  
Department to which the absence belongs  
next Morning, to Genl. Pitt-Rivers, or in  
his absence to Mr Beck, under pain of  
incurring His Royal Highness's displeasure  
should it afterwards come out that such  
an irregularity had been committed,  
and that it had not been reported.

No smoking is to be allowed in the Stable,  
Stable Yard, or Rooms. A Woman will  
be appointed to make the Beds and  
clean

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clean the Rooms in the Morning, and which  
are not to be turned down again until after  
the supper hour, and except when obliged  
to clean or wipe themselves, the Servants  
are directed to sit in their Dining Room,  
where a fire will be allowed, but no where  
else. The Black German set and the  
two German Servants will not join  
the Duke's Establishment until after  
His Royal Highness returns from his  
journey, when some of the two German  
Servants will be attached to each of the  
English sets, the sooner to get into the  
English habits, and two of the Men  
from the Infants sent to the Black set,  
the mode of driving which in the English  
fashion, is to become the first subject of  
Susan's instruction to these Servants.  
Susan has a Kitchen next to the Larder  
Room, and two Rooms over head allotted  
for his accommodation. Caley has the  
Kitchen over against it in the corresponding  
wing



King and the Bed Room adjoining it for  
 his accommodations. Guy Petty, Holder,  
 & Baldock & Wright are to be lodged  
 in the Room next to the left of the  
 Coachmans stable for which Room  
 Guy Petty is answerable. Manselley,  
 Moffatt & Helmer are to be lodged in  
 the opposite Room where they will be  
 joined by the two German Servants  
 from the Dutch Establishment,  
 when there are ordered in with Miss Howe.  
 Baker, Scott, Jos. Baldock & Lewis, are to  
 be lodged in the Room adjoining the  
 left of the Coachmans stable, and Baker  
 will be held answerable for the Room.  
 Bodinstall will inhabit the Room  
 next the Forge, and when Turner arrives  
 he will have the Room and Kitchen door  
 against it for his Wife and family.  
 The Stable Gates are to be kept constantly  
 locked, and a Bell put up at each, the  
 one to ring under the one Archway,  
 the other to the other. The upper  
 one

one to be attended by Mr Smith, and the  
other one by Mr Gledhill for the  
day, which duty is to be taken in turn  
according to a regular roster by the order  
of the Men belonging to the Inspection  
Department. Susan & Caly before they  
go to Bed each Night will see that all  
fire in their respective Departments  
are either out or well secured.

Providence  
The Duke of Kent

Private . Amorbach 23.<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 1848

My Dear Mr. Marshall!

I had the pleasure of receiving yesterday your letter of the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant, I could not help admiring your silence upon Sir Benjamin Bloomfield's allusion to the Statute of the Quelfric Order operating against your getting it, when so much might be said upon his being nominated a Knight Commander of it, himself. Colonel Harvey has again repeated to Mr. Butler, who perfectly understands it, that he only holds his present quarters on sufferance during your pleasure; that, before I finally urge him to begin to think of getting up the Hill, which is five Minutes walk

Yours truly  
Lieut. General Marshall out of

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of the town, I am anxious to wait your  
answer to my last communication,  
in case you should be inclined to alter  
your ideas with regard to it, from the  
change, that has taken place, with respect  
to the prospect of my return to England,  
unless the Committee of my friends  
should wish to make a point of it.  
You will learn, from my last letter  
that I had purchased a pair of Manus  
for you, and I do not think the whole  
Country can produce two better made or  
with superior action, and as they will  
be six years old, in the Spring, they will  
be perfectly fit for use, the moment  
you arrive, and as I have before mentioned  
they will be managed with care, and  
economy until that period. I am  
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was perfectly right, with regard to the  
Prains, one of which I was unacquainted  
with, and which renders the rest one  
unnecessary. I have therefore written a  
short answer to Lawson, which, as I could  
not find time to address you, I have  
enclosed, in a few lines sent to Captain  
Conroy, this morning. I am glad the in-  
side is going on so well, but I must  
intreat, it may not be hurried, as the  
extirpation of the rot, depends altogether  
upon nothing being closed up, until it  
is perfectly dry. I suppose your  
meeting Colonel Stephenson, and Sir  
Benjamin Bloomfield, will be of little  
avail, though certainly it is desirable  
that you should do so, for I am apt  
to think, that the evident wish there  
is

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is to keep me out of England, will occa-  
sion a sea far being turned to any accom-  
modation I might wish for. With  
regard to the Regent's own occupation of  
Buckingham, during the repair of Carlton  
House, it is what I suspected, as I knew  
it has all along been his object to do  
so. I am quite surprised so late as the  
14<sup>th</sup>, that you should appear still ignorant  
of the Queen's Will, for I thought it was  
known to every one: it is briefly this,  
"The House, Grounds and Park at Frogmore,  
"with the fixtures and common furniture  
"of the House, are left to my sister Augusta.  
"The Lower Lodge, where poor Princess  
Charlotte once resided, and the Garden  
"appertaining to it, to my sister Sophia;  
"The fifty thousand pounds worth of jewels  
"given

given by the King to the Queen on his  
Marriage, to the Crown of Hannover, as an  
Heirloom, so long as that is filled by a  
Descendant of the House of Hannover. The  
few Jewels, she brought from Stadthol  
with her, are ordered to be returned to  
the senior Branch of that family; all  
the rest of her Jewels, which are supposed  
to be of immense value, excepting a  
magnificent set of Garnets, which  
are left to the Dowager Queen of Munsterberg,  
and all other valuable, are to be divided  
share and share alike, between her four  
youngest Daughters: Her whole Wardrobe  
made, and unmade, are left to Madame  
Beckendorff and her Daughters: In  
short, in my humble Opinion, a more  
proper, or a fairer will, could not have  
been

been made; especially as it appears that  
 she had no record of money whatsoever,  
 which was exactly what I imagined, would  
 turn out to be the case. What debts  
 she has paid I believe there are some of the  
 legacy duties, are to be paid out of the  
 personal. Lord Arden and Major General <sup>Taylor</sup>  
 are the Executors. Thus you see, how she  
 would have been received, as to the money  
 which she was supposed to have been  
 possessed of. There were a number of  
 private requests, she intended making  
 in behalf of different friends, and if such  
 a paper is in existence, it had not been  
 found when I heard last from Windsor,  
 which was on the 7<sup>th</sup>; but it is rather ima-  
 gined, that, as she signed her will only  
 about twenty hours before she expired,  
 she was not able to complete that paper,  
 or

or I have no doubt, that each of us  
 would have had some little token of her  
 regard. I have not failed to deliver your  
 kind remembrance to all here, and I am  
 happy to say that we are going on as  
 well as possible, and as I should Captain  
 Comyns only require to be left free,  
 and to forget the ungraciousness of C. H.  
 to be perfectly contented. All here in return  
 desire their best wishes to Mrs. Marshall  
 and your young folks, and I remain ever  
 with the most friendly regards.

My Dear Mr. Marshall:-

Yours faithfully  
 Edward

H. R. H. The Duke  
of Kent - dated  
23 Dec. 1810

Queen Will.  
13. 13. 1810

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Copy . . . Amorbach 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1848

My Dear Bloomfield

I received yesterday your kind letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> Inst., and feel extremely obliged to you, for the candid manner, in which you have stated the steps, that had been taken, in consequence of my letter to you, and their result; from which, I am convinced, the Prince Regent felt every disposition, to have made our journey to England easy, and comfortable, had it been practicable: and that, if it had not proved so, he has felt as much regret, at the circumstance, as we ourselves. - Having no idea, at the time we left England, that the Duchess was in an incipient state of pregnancy, and always looking forward to the certainty of its being considered by the Prince Regent, expedient, if not absolutely necessary, that she should long in at Kensington, it never occurred to me, to make any enquiry relative to that point, before I set out for the Continent, or, had I done so, and had then been aware of what has now taken place, we should have continued our Head Quarters at Brussels, where I have the House for four years longer, and have only come over here,

here, during the summer months, to regulate the  
 affairs of the Dutchess' Regency and Guardianship,  
 as that is a far more convenient House than this, and  
 vastly better adapted for the period of her absence,  
 than our present residence, which was already found  
 so extremely ill calculated for that purpose, at the  
 period of her laying in of her Daughter, that she  
 was obliged to remove from it, into a part of the  
 Old Convent, now occupied by the Office of the  
 Government. - Indeed as, from the ungentlemanly  
 conduct of the Belgic owner of my House at Brussels,  
 I have been unable as yet to get it off my hands,  
 we are not quite determined, whether, even in its  
 present only half furnished state, for my furniture  
 has been brought on here, and there now only  
 remains in it such as appertain to Admiral Donnelly,  
 from whom I hired it, and the fixtures I put in,  
 we may not yet avail ourselves of the circumstance,  
 of its still being ours, to use it for the Dutchess'  
 confinement: However, be that as it may, we  
 shall do the best we can, and give due notice  
 of our motions, should we determine on the latter  
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plan, Presuming that, in the event of the ac-  
-couchment taking place here, we are now authorized  
to call on. Mr. Bishop Taylor to witness the matter, so  
in the other, we shall be warranted in calling  
on the British Ambassador at the Court of the Nether-  
-lands. The Dutchess desires me to express, through  
you, to the Prince Regent, how grateful she feels  
for his message, and for his affectionate consideration  
of her, on this occasion, which is equally appreciated  
by me. - We both rejoice to hear, that the quietness  
and good air of Brighton, are restoring him to  
consequence and good health, after the painful  
suspense, and melancholy scene, that must wholly  
have engaged his attention, from the month of  
May, until the same finally closed on the 17th ultimo.  
I avail myself of this opportunity, to recall to your  
recollection, your having the goodness to undertake,  
if possible, to make some arrangement with the Woods  
and Forests, for me, that would establish a little  
cove for Partridges and Hares in the Home Park,  
not with any view personal to myself, as I am un-  
-fortunately not a Sportsman; but with the idea of

of rendering it hereafter, a pleasant thing for the Regent,  
should he occasionally in his visits to the Great  
House, like to have a morning's shooting; and now  
having nothing further to add, but that the Dutchess  
is going on so well, as I believe it is possible for any  
one to do, in her situation, having those little  
ailments, which always accompany her present state,  
I shall here take my leave, by resigning my affectionate  
duty to the Prince, and by subscribing myself with  
every sentiment of the most friendly regard. —

My Dear Bloomfield:

Yours faithfully

Edmond



Statement of all unrepayable disbursements made by His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent between 19<sup>th</sup> March 1818 when he left Braupels for England to attend the necessary arrangements for his Marriage and the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1818 drawn up for the satisfaction of his friends and to a copy to the Committee in consequence of the excess of those disbursements above the £5000 kindly granted by the Committee.

| 1818     |   | Sum total         | Paid            | Remains to be paid | Remarks        |
|----------|---|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|
| March 19 | Expenses of Journey from Braupels to London<br>included 20 Guineas for the Packet   | 89 8 2            | 89 8 2          | -                  |                |
| March 19 | Expenses of living in London from 29 <sup>th</sup> March to 10 <sup>th</sup> Octob <sup>r</sup><br>To Mr. Fischer for a Miniature of His Royal<br>Highness sent to Amorbach   | 274 11 -          | 274 11 -        | -                  |                |
|          | Expenses of Journey from London to Braupels   | 17 15 -           | 17 15 -         | -                  |                |
|          | Hiring 2 Carriages at Braupels to get to Coburg   | 180 7 8           | 180 7 8         | -                  |                |
|          | Expenses of Journey from Braupels to Coburg   | 123 5 -           | 123 5 -         | -                  |                |
|          | To Mr. B. Taylor at Coburg for expenses paid by<br>him at Braupels on 29 <sup>th</sup> March  | 105 7 4           | 105 7 4         | -                  |                |
|          | Given to the Hof Marshal at Coburg for<br>presents to the Household   | 507 10 -          | 507 10 -        | -                  |                |
|          | To the Countess de Montgenoit for four Months<br>allowance between 15 <sup>th</sup> March & 15 <sup>th</sup> July the latter<br>being the day at which she received her first<br>quarterly allowance of £500 p <sup>r</sup> Quarter | 252 10 -          | 252 10 -        | -                  |                |
| June     | Expenses of Journey from Coburg to Amorbach   | 625 - -           | 425 - -         | * 200 - -          |                |
|          | Expenses at Amorbach including presents<br>to the Dutchess Household  | 44 12 -           | 44 12 -         | -                  |                |
|          | A Small Box of presents to the Governor of the<br>Schmiedt of the Regiment of Liepzig   | 339 - -           | 339 - -         | -                  |                |
|          | A Small Box of presents to Mr. de Lalande<br>formerly at the head of the Dutchess Household   | 51 11 -           | 51 11 -         | -                  |                |
|          | To Expenses of repairing the Countess de<br>Montgenoit's 3 Carriages  | 28 - -            | 28 - -          | -                  |                |
|          | Repairs of various Apartments between<br>15 <sup>th</sup> March & 15 <sup>th</sup> July   | 85 - -            | -               | -                  |                |
|          | To Expenses of repairing the Countess de<br>Montgenoit's 3 Carriages  | 65 - 10 -         | -               | -                  |                |
|          | Lower in 1818 service   | 94 - -            | -               | -                  |                |
|          | To replace China bric in 1818 service   | 14 - -            | -               | -                  |                |
|          | do Crochery   | 10 - 12 -         | -               | -                  |                |
|          | do G. L. P.   | 18 - 5 - 2        | -               | -                  |                |
|          | To replace different kitchen utensils   | 10 - 2 - 10       | -               | -                  |                |
|          | Carrying off Effects to Paris   | 53 - 7 - -        | -               | -                  |                |
|          | Passing Pass, Packing up &c   | 30 - 17 - 8       | 388 - -         | 8 334 13 8         | 53 7 -         |
|          | Expenses of Journey from Amorbach to Braupels   | 302 15 7/4        | 302 15 7/4      | -                  |                |
| 14       | Parting House for notes at Braupels to<br>receive the Dutchess  | 155 - -           | 155 - -         | -                  |                |
|          | To Mr. W. Marshall for purchase of Plates   | 544 8 -           | 544 8 -         | -                  |                |
|          | To Gilbert for Plates   | 219 18 6          | -               | 219 18 6           |                |
|          | Extra expenses in consequence of the<br>retention at Braupels with Her Royal Highness   | 44 - -            | 44 - -          | -                  |                |
|          | To Frequent the Laces for Her Royal Highness  | 100 - -           | -               | 100 - -            | to be paid for |
|          | Expenses of 2 Carriages at Braupels on<br>Journey and hire of a Maid to proceed<br>to England   | 148 - -           | 148 - -         | -                  |                |
|          | Expenses of Journey from Braupels to Clarendon  | 174 9 8           | 174 9 8         | -                  |                |
|          | To the Widow of a Postillion who was killed<br>driving a Coach of the Duke between<br>Tilbury and about Rochester   | 31 - -            | 31 - -          | -                  |                |
|          | Parting up His Royal Highness's Effects at<br>Braupels and conveying them to the place<br>of their destination  | 202 9 4           | 166 - -         | * 36 9 4           |                |
|          | Expenses in England from July to 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | 501 17 1/2        | 501 17 1/2      | -                  |                |
|          | Charges of the the Prince's Household<br>for attending the Dutchess   | 20 - -            | 20 - -          | -                  |                |
|          | Presents to the Prince's Household<br>at Clarendon  | 30 - -            | 30 - -          | -                  |                |
|          | To Colonel Drinkwater for expenses allow-<br>ing the Dutchess visits to different<br>public Institutions  | 22 18 6           | 22 18 6         | -                  |                |
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Detail of sums of money  
 received for the purchase of  
 articles of dress & furniture

| Remarks   | Sum Total  | Paid       | Balance  | Remarks  |
|---|------------|------------|----------|----------|
| W.D. forward  | 119 13 14  | 5 9 23     | 13 3     | 2676 1 2 |
| Extra expense of Clothing forwarded in<br>Dressing on Her Majesty's Dress             | 170        | 170        |          |          |
| To Mr. Wickham's 46 pence small debts left<br>unpaid in England in August 1816        | 1000       | 1000       |          |          |
| By loss on Exchange on £3224 8 3 drawn<br>on Mr. Coats to the favour of Mr. Pedraglia | 103 13     | 103 13     |          |          |
| Commission & Interest on the sums advanced<br>by Mr. Pedraglia & charged by him       | 93 11      | 93 11      |          |          |
|   | 13280 18 5 | 10004 17 3 | 3275 1 2 | 2676 1 2 |

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| Brought from N. 1  | 206  | 7  | 5  |            |
| By advance from the Committee<br>through Mr. Harris      | 250  |    |    |            |
| By advance from Mr. Coats                                | 3000 |    |    |            |
| By do from Mr. Pedraglia                                 | 1743 |    |    |            |
| By do from the House of Commons<br>for the Establishment | 405  | 9  | 10 |            |
|  | 4044 | 17 | 3  | 10004 17 3 |
|  | 2676 | 1  | 2  |            |

N.B. The three sums marked X under the  
column "remaining to be paid" were advanced  
at the time by a friend and are due to him  
but he is now preparing for them.

Recapitulation of the foregoing  
under Mr. Duffell's Head of

| N. 1                                |      |    |   |          |
|-------------------------------------|------|----|---|----------|
| Presents to Her Royal Highness      |      |    |   |          |
| 8. Miniatures of His Royal Highness | 17   | 15 |   |          |
| Two Saddle Grooms                   | 483  | 15 |   |          |
| 4 Piano Forks                       | 104  | 3  |   |          |
| Jewellery from Burchard & P.        | 755  | 12 |   |          |
| Millinery from Perry                | 108  | 10 |   |          |
| Wedding Dress from King             | 97   | 6  |   |          |
| Millinery from Cooper               | 114  | 7  |   |          |
| Lace from Hilliard                  | 65   | 4  |   |          |
| Millinery from Barker               | 26   | 16 | 3 |          |
| Muslin from Wade & Wilson           | 3    | 15 |   |          |
| Perfumery from Smith & Galtie       | 75   | 11 |   |          |
| Riding Habit from Dickson           | 12   |    | 6 |          |
| Muslin from Chapelle                | 30   | 15 | 6 |          |
| Two Saddles from Laurie             | 30   | 3  |   |          |
| Two from Trovanc & Baupels          | 100  |    |   |          |
| Lace from Maria Baupels             | 18   |    |   |          |
| Millinery from Morbau Frankfurt     | 96   | 5  |   | 1070 1 3 |
| N. 2                                |      |    |   |          |
| Presents on Marriage                |      |    |   |          |
| At Cobourg St. the Hof. M. Assheton | 252  | 10 |   |          |
| At Cobourg St. Mr. Broth Taylor     | 507  | 10 |   |          |
| At Annapolis                        | 330  |    |   |          |
| To Catherine's Sister Schmitt       | 51   | 11 |   |          |
| To Monsieur de Schindler            | 28   |    |   |          |
| Jewellery for small presents        | 42   |    |   | 1020 11  |
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in April



| Repairs of Carriages   |      |    |     |       |        |
|--|------|----|-----|-------|--------|
| At Brussels to go to Coblenz   | 123  | 5  | -   |       |        |
| At Brussels to go to London  | 148  | -  | -   |       |        |
| At Brussels to go to Amorbach  | 402  | 10 | -   |       |        |
| At Brussels to do for servants the following Journeys  | 263  | 8  | -   | 937   | 3      |
| Journings  |      |    |     |       |        |
| From Brussels to London  | 89   | 8  | 2   |       |        |
| From London to Brussels  | 80   | 7  | 8   |       |        |
| From Brussels to Coblenz   | 105  | -  | 4   |       |        |
| From Coblenz to Amorbach   | 44   | 12 | -   |       |        |
| From Amorbach to Brussels  | 302  | 15 | 7/8 |       |        |
| From Brussels to London  | 174  | 9  | 8   |       |        |
| From London to Brussels  | 176  | 11 | -   |       |        |
| From Brussels to Amorbach  | 362  | 5  | -   | 1335  | 16 5/8 |
| N. 5   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Extra Expenses of Living   |      |    |     |       |        |
| In London from 22 March to 15 May  | 274  | 11 | -   |       |        |
| In Brussels 10 days  | 144  | -  | -   |       |        |
| In London from 1 July to 5 Sept  | 501  | 7  | 5/8 |       |        |
| In Brussels 21 days  | 155  | -  | -   | 975   | 8 1/2  |
| N. 6   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Removing Effects, Servants, Horses &c.   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Packing up the Brussels  | 209  | 9  | 14  |       |        |
| Hire of the Expenses while on the Rhine  | 130  | 10 | 6   |       |        |
| Servants Expenses while on the Rhine   | 71   | 1  | 7   |       |        |
| Removing Effects from Amorbach to Amorbach   | 138  | -  | -   |       |        |
| Removing Servants Horses to pass Brussels to Amorbach  | 113  | 4  | 6   | 585   | 11 1/2 |
| N. 7   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Conduct of Mr. Mordant   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Refining Carriage, Amorbach to Amorbach  | 334  | 13 | 8   |       |        |
| Refining Carriage, Amorbach to Paris   | 53   | 7  | -   |       |        |
| For the passage from 15 March to 15 July   | 625  | -  | -   | 1015  | 8      |
| N. 8   |      |    |     |       |        |
| To replace Simon & sent to Paris   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Brussels for Simon   | 490  | 17 | -   |       |        |
| Expenses on the Rhine for Glaze  | 53   | 15 | -   |       |        |
| Expenses for Simon   | 75   | 10 | -   | 619   | 12     |
| N. 9   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Banking Charges  |      |    |     |       |        |
| To Mr. Coats Insurance for 1 year on £6000   | 211  | 15 | 10  |       |        |
| To Mr. Coats Insurance for 1 year on £2000   | 57   | 10 | 10  |       |        |
| To Mr. Coats Exchange on £3224 8 s 3 pence on  | 103  | 13 | -   |       |        |
| To Mr. Coats in favor of Mr. Odrylin   | 92   | 11 | -   | 466   | 10 8   |
| N. 10  |      |    |     |       |        |
| To Discharge Small Debts   |      |    |     |       |        |
| Left unpaid in England in equal 1800 to Mr. Hilliard   | 1000 | -  | -   | 1000  | -      |
| N. 11  |      |    |     |       |        |
| Sunday Expenses  |      |    |     |       |        |
| Calling House in order at Brussels to receive Dutchess   | 155  | -  | -   |       |        |
| To Mr. M. Willmott for Plate   | 544  | 8  | -   |       |        |
| To Gilbert for Plate   | 219  | 18 | 6   |       |        |
| To the Widow of a Postillion killed driving a Carriage of the Suite  | 31   | -  | -   |       |        |
| Present to the Prince's Servants   | 20   | -  | -   |       |        |
| Present to Prince's Servants   | 30   | -  | -   |       |        |
| To Colonel Driehout for expenses attending the M. de B. visits to the public Institutions                  | 99   | 18 | 6   |       |        |
| For a Medallion Chest  | 15   | 6  | 9   |       |        |
| To Scott for Engraving Seals   | 48   | 6  | 9   |       |        |
| To Lang for M. de B. Coats &c  | 315  | 9  | 4   |       |        |
| Mr. de B. has distributed presents for presents to the Prince's House at Amorbach for their 1800 reception | 904  | 16 | -   |       |        |
| Clothing servants in the morning on the Majesty's account  | 170  | -  | -   | 2777  | 3 1    |
|  |      |    |     | 13280 | 18 5   |

38 York Street 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 1818.

My Dear Sir

The Bearer of this John Thompson was  
an Officer in the Queens & in the Westminster Militia, and was  
killed down during the Month of 1816 when I took  
an active part in the Parish Committee for the relief of the  
poor - Various attempts have been made by him this  
Week to get employment; and, if you can assist them to  
get the Situations now vacant in the Work House I  
think you will do a kind act to an unfortunate Man.  
He draws in a superior manner might become very useful  
to my young folks in the Neighbourhood -

The Rev. Mr Burgess and those of your Parish who  
have known the Bearer since 1816, speak highly of their  
conduct -

Believe yours sincerely

Joseph Hume

I remain  
Dear Madam  
Yours truly  
Joseph Hume



Amorbach 5<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1819

My Dear Methuall

I received this morning yours  
of the 25<sup>th</sup> Ultimo, from which I am  
grieved to find, that our poor old  
friend Aldridge, though better in  
spirits, is in your opinion declining  
in health and strength. With regard  
to what Mr. Nash said to you, respect-  
ing my apartments at Kensington,  
I am myself so perfectly satisfied,  
that the same result would attend  
now, any application I might address  
to the Lords of the Treasury, for  
their improvement, which has attached  
to all my applications of late, that  
I deem it waste of time, to make  
Lieut. General Methuall

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the attempt. It will rest therefore  
with Mr. Nash, when any repairs are  
undertaken to any part of the Palace,  
to point out those necessary improvements,  
to him, which he is already fully aware  
of, that can with great propriety be  
included in any estimate, that may  
be undertaken for the repair of the  
State Apartments over my head, or the  
consolidation of the Dry and wet drains  
round the foundations of the Building,  
and if he does not see fit to do this,  
at the proper time, it can only be  
want of good will on his part.

I consider the report of moving the  
King to St. Germain, as perfectly void of  
foundation, for I know it could not  
be undertaken, without risking the  
throwing of him into a paroxysm,  
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that would in all probability prove fatal.  
If the Duke of York retains the command  
of the Army, together with the charge  
of the King's person, it will prove how  
right I have judged the thing from  
the first, for I always expected it would  
end so, and you will be aware my  
being kept above, must oblige the only  
obstacle there could be, to this arrange-  
ment. The appointment of the  
Duke of Wellington to the Admiralty  
is one, that naturally was to be expected,  
It is however a further breach of the  
spontaneous promise of the Prince to  
me in the year 1801 & 4. With  
respect to partial changes in Adminis-  
tration, I should not be surpris'd at  
their taking place, as it has long been  
understood, that Lord Liverpool,  
Harroby

Harrowby, and Sidmouth wish to  
 quit Office, the first, on account of  
 the health of his wife, the other two  
 on their own but I own I doubt the  
 heterogeneous mixture, of the Marquis  
 of Wellesley, and the Grenvilles. Tell  
 Mrs. Wetherall, she may make herself  
 perfectly easy with regard to her Trunks,  
 which are all safe in the great Larder  
 of the Old Palace here, and you may  
 be perfectly assured yourself, of the  
 care taken of your Carriages, Horses  
 and Harness, to which I was sure that  
 every justice is done. With regard  
 to your wish of my naming Mr. Mason  
 to my sister Augusta, I should be most  
willing indeed to do so, if I did not  
feel that, at this moment, she, as  
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well as my sister Johanna, must make a  
point, of filling up very little situation  
in their gift, with some one of the nu-  
merous followers, and dependents of the  
poor Durr: and I should be equally  
inclined to address Mr Long, on the  
subject of the Whitstons' situation, at  
Chelsea, only that poor Durr himself  
holds me; he only held it in trust for  
his Daughter, otherwise I am confident  
it would not be better bestowed upon  
any one, than Mr Beaver, and I am  
sure, you will feel, that, at such a  
moment, it would be a great breach  
of friendship, to poor Durr, to interfere  
in an arrangement of such importance  
to his family. I should be grieved to  
learn, if that report relative to Alderman  
Wood should turn out to be true, and  
therefore anxiously wait your further  
communication

communication on that head, as well  
as some particulars of poor Duke's death,  
of which I know nothing, but the fact.  
The Dutchess, thank God, is going on  
well, and desires her best wishes to  
Mrs. M. M. M. and yourself, on the  
commencement of the new year, in  
which, I cordially unite, remaining  
ever with the most friendly regards.

My Dear M. M. M.:-  
Yours faithfully  
Edward

11/19/1819

11/19/1819  
H. R. M. M. Duke



Copy

Amorbach 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 1819

My Dear Sir:

Having in my last letter, intimated  
 the intention of communicating to you  
 a detail of all the extra expenses, to which  
 I have unavoidably been exposed, since the  
 19<sup>th</sup> of March last, when I left Braubach  
 for England, in order to make arrangements  
 for my Marriage, so that you might be  
 enabled to state them to my Committee,  
 who, from their kindness to me, have a  
 right to expect a candid exposition of the  
 manner, in which this advance of £8000  
 has been appropriated, I now transmit to  
 you a detail of all particulars, as I have  
 had them extracted, with infinite labor,  
 from those documents, I have collected, and  
 which you may easily imagine cannot be  
 quite so correct, as if I had been stationary at  
 Joseph Hume Esq. M.P.

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 one place, instead of constantly moving about,  
 and had always had at my elbow my account  
 Clerk, of whose services I have only been able  
 to avail myself, since I resumed my Stationary  
 residence here, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October last:  
 but I believe, I can venture to assert this  
 account to be as <sup>far from the mark,</sup> accurate as possible, and if there  
 is any error, \* it is against myself, from  
 having discharged some items from the  
 funds allotted for my current expenditure  
 which should more properly have belonged  
 to those intended to be appropriated to the  
 extraordinary one. \* By a reference to the  
 first part of this account, you will perceive  
 that, instead of having to assist me, towards  
 the half yearly maintenance of my little  
 Establishment, the further sum of £500,  
 which it was the intention of my Committee  
 I should enjoy, out of the additional Parli-  
 -amentary grant, upon my Marriage, there  
 remained only, from the first £300, advanced  
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 by Mr. Coote in the month of May, and  
 which became due at the Exchequer in July,  
 and October last, after deducting the allotted  
 sums of £1500 to the Duties, of £1000  
 to the Courts &c. Montague, of £225 for  
 Stamps, and of £68. 12. 7, for interest charge  
 by Mr. Coote, for that advance, to October  
 last, the small sum of £206. 7. 5 is approp-  
 -riate to that purpose, and what this sum  
 was afterwards appropriated, not to the  
 current, but to the extra expenses, from the  
 circumstance of these latter running up  
 so much higher, than I would probably have  
 foreseen, at the period my Estimate was sub-  
 -mitted to the Committee, so that at the outset  
 I have been minus £500, up to the 5<sup>th</sup> Instant  
 of the sums allotted for the expenses of my  
 Establishment. From the second part  
 of the account you will perceive that the  
 extra expenses incurred amount to £13280. 13. 5  
 of which £1000. 17. 3 have been actually  
 paid

paid, being £2148, 9<sup>s</sup> 10<sup>d</sup> above the sum  
advanced by my Committee, and which I had  
only been able to do, by an advance from the  
Bankers here, to the extent of £1743, and by  
an encroachment upon the funds allotted  
for the maintenance of my Establishment to  
the extent of £405, 9<sup>s</sup> 10<sup>d</sup>, while there still  
remains to be paid part immediately, part  
in April, part in July, part in October, and  
part at leisure, the sum of £2676, 1, 2 for  
which, I could not avoid pledging my word:  
Of that part which is to be paid immediately,  
Mr. Coates will be obliged, in fulfilment  
of my orders, to encroach on my current income  
for the Quarter commencing the 6<sup>th</sup> Instant  
to the extent of £922, 12<sup>s</sup> 4<sup>d</sup>, thus making  
the sum I have been obliged to take from the  
funds appropriated to the support of my  
Establishment, including the £500 which  
I have received short for the July and October  
Quarters, amount to £1828, 2, 2. Exclusive  
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of this it appears, by my accounts from Mr. Court, that I am still indebted to him in the sum of £<sup>1500-</sup>750, for half the advance of the £3000, which he made in May, and which I was, in the first instance, so staggered by that I was totally at a loss to account for it. However, on looking over my Books, the enigma has at length developed itself completely, from the circumstances of my having been obliged, on quitting Brussels, owing to the dishonourable conduct of the Belgic owner of the House I rented there, to leave it without parting with the lease, or selling its fixtures, which sum I averaged at about £2000 / I had calculated upon, as so much I should have in hand to clear off those expenses, which I had been put to, in setting out with my Establishment at Brussels, about the £1000 then advanced by my friends to enable me to do so. In consequence, I was obliged to draw on Mr. Court & Co. in  
favour.

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 favor of Messrs. Haysman & Hardy the Bankers  
 at West Palace for the sum of £2070, which at  
 I left, locked up at Warrington, the fixtures of the  
 House, valued by appraisers at £1187, on  
 account of the Individual above alluded  
 to, refusing to permit me to let the House  
 for the remainder of my term, and my friends  
 advising me strongly, not to move the  
 fixtures or furnish them, as the only chance  
 I had of recovering in part, what I had  
 laid out to make myself comfortable, under  
 the expectation of a five years residence  
 there, and which can only now be done  
 by a man of some standing the Honor / since  
 letting it is refused me / and then either  
 letting or selling the fixtures to any Cour-  
 teous man of sense I might get to take it.  
 This explanation will prove, that, exclusion  
 of the £1750<sup>1566</sup> which should have been paid  
 over to Mr. Cottle when drawn in October  
 I was, from the cause above assigned, obliged  
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 in order to clear all off at Warrington, to encroach  
 further upon the little sum, allowed for the  
 support of my Establishment, to the extent  
 of £320<sup>570</sup>, so that in reality I am now short  
 of funds, which ought to be available  
 to the latter purpose, exclusively, first the  
 sum I have before stated of £1828<sup>2</sup> 2 and  
 secondly the last alluded to of £320<sup>540</sup>, which  
 making a total of £2148<sup>2398</sup> 2 2 would amply  
 carry me through for the expenses of my  
 Establishment, during the current Quarter  
if repaid. From what I have said in the  
 foregoing part of my letter, you will with  
 your usual partiality, see, how I am  
unfortunately situated, at this moment  
 but thank God, without being able to  
 reproach myself, with having in the smallest  
 degree incurred any one expense, that I could  
 with common Decency have avoided. At  
 the same time, I cannot deny to you, that  
 my present situation affords my mind  
 very

very considerably, and particularly when I  
look forward to the Duties expected con-  
tinuance in the Month of May, which  
although it probably now will have to take  
place in this retired spot, will nevertheless  
lead to a considerable expense, that cannot  
be met from the funds allotted for my  
Establishment. It therefore becomes indis-  
pensibly necessary to take some immediate  
steps for my relief. Early in the next Month,  
to enable me to go on, I shall unavoidably  
require a fresh Credit with the Bankers here,  
whom I have already as before explained, con-  
siderably overdrawn. Acquainted, as I am  
with the engagements entered into, by the  
Committee, for the reimbursement of Miss  
Coutts & Hickland, which, if I mistake not,  
with the obligatory payments to the simple  
Contract Creditors on the 15<sup>th</sup> of this Month,  
and the half yearly ones to the Nonconsenting  
Trust Creditors, that are called for in April  
and

and October, will occupy three quarters, till  
January next, I cannot expect or apply  
for any advance from them on this  
occasion, particularly, after the strong  
resolution passed at their last Meeting,  
which is still fresh in my recollection,  
and adds to the depression upon my mind  
at this time, but I have that confidence  
in the affection of my excellent friend and  
Brother, the Duke of Cambridge, who so  
nobly came forward, before, to my relief  
that I think, when he is informed of the  
unexpected difficulties into which I have  
been unavoidably thrown, he will be  
disposed to make one more effort, to complete  
the good work he has begun, under the  
guarantee of the Committee that, from  
the funds, that will be at their disposal  
in January, April and July 1820, they will  
repay the first Capital he may be induced  
at

at my solicitation, to advance with the  
interest or should he be obliged to sell  
out of the flock, for the purpose of to replace  
the same stock for him, with the interest  
it would have produced, to that period.

I have therefore this day written to the Duke  
of Cambridge on the subject, and if he  
kindly comes forward to my relief, which I  
feel positive he will do, under such guarantee,  
I have entrusted him immediately to write  
to Mr. Cuthb, his instructions, and all that I  
shall then have to solicit of my Committee  
through you, in the event of his assent, will  
be, to guarantee those terms, and kindly  
to accede to a further delay of two or three  
quarters, as may be necessary, before they  
receive the reimbursements of their own  
advances. You will be aware, that the  
matter is so pressing, that I could not wait  
to receive an answer from you, before I  
acted

acted or otherwise. I would willingly have  
taken your opinion of the measure I have  
now adopted. After saying this, I have  
only to add, that being once settled here,  
if allowed to the extent I have above stated,

I do firmly believe, that I shall be able  
with the same care and economy, I was  
at B. respect, during the two years I was  
there, to confine my expenses to the £8000  
allowed for my expenditure, provided I am  
called upon to do nothing extra out of it,  
and so that I am ready to sledge myself  
strictly to adhere. But, if the Duke  
should lay in again, upon that occasion  
I shall require a proportionable assistance  
to the one now requested, as that want  
entails so many extra expenses in my situation,  
that it cannot be met from the small  
yearly stipend allowed me. You have,  
of course, my permission to show this  
letter



letter to all the gentlemen of the Committee  
beginning with Mr. Preston and, if any  
of them should at first be surprised with  
the exps, I only request them to read the  
details of my expenses with attention, and  
then to judge if there is any thing in them  
which I could possibly have avoided; on  
the contrary, I am sure they will be of  
opinion, that considering the station  
of life, in which Providence has placed me  
the whole has been conducted with the  
greatest possible attention to economy.

I remain ever with friendship and  
regard

My Dear Sir:-

Yours faithfully,

signed / Edward

P.S. as a proof of the correctness of the observation  
contained in Page 2, between the two  
Articles, I have just discovered, in going over

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The accounts again, that I have made no charge  
for the Extra Wages of the Dutchess's Domestic  
that fell upon me from the 29th of May  
last, or for the maintenance of those that  
were left here, in charge of the House during  
her absence, which has been a further drawback  
and not an inconsiderable one, upon my  
Statute's allowance of £ 1750 per Year.  
I have also to observe, that, wherever you  
find a difference between my particu-  
lar in the accounts, now sent you, and in  
the charge of the same expensures, as stated  
in the estimate submitted to the Committee,  
I mean applying to expensures that were actually  
incurred previous to the time of giving in  
the Estimate, that has arisen from my not  
having at that time adverted to those parts of  
the disbursements, <sup>that were</sup> paid by persons, who were  
<sup>then</sup> absent at Brussels, which have only lately  
come under my knowledge, in calling in all  
my accounts at the close of the Year.

H. R. H. The Duke of Kent  
9 Jan. 1819 to Mr. Thorne  
enclosing an account of  
his expenses incurred by  
his Majesty's -

Private letter

Amersbach 11<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1819

My Dear Mr. Marshall,

Having at length, after a great deal of mature consideration, determined on writing by the present Mail to Mr. Hume, and sending, through him, for the information of the Committee, a statement of all the extra expenses, incurred by me, since I left Bunsfeld, in March last, up to the close of the Year, in order that they might see at one view, the extent of my expenditure, and the unavoidable cause of it, I have thought it best to send to you, a complete copy of the letter, and its enclosures in order that in the first instance, you might

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 make yourself thoroughly master of its  
 contents, and then communicate them  
in confidence, successively to our worthy  
 friends. Mr. Grey, and Sir Thomas Bell,  
 as also to Mr. Herbrand for the information  
 of Sir Alex<sup>r</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Ker, Mr. Alderman Wood,  
 and Mr. Trevelyan, and likewise to Mr. C. C. C.  
Cresley, for the information of his friends,  
 so that, by the time the answer comes  
 from the Duke of Cambridge, at Hanover,  
 which I trust cannot be doubtful,  
 they may be prepared to accede to  
 the only two points required of them,  
 which are, the guarantee to the Duke  
 of Cambridge, the repayment of his  
 new advance, immediately after the  
 claims of Messrs. Court, and Herbrand  
 are satisfied, and for that purpose to  
 suspend

*Upper Charlotte Street Fitzroy Square No 46*

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 suspend for two or at most three quarters  
longer, receiving back their own advances.  
 There can be no objection to your taking  
 a few days to do this, say four or five,  
 and to enable you to do so, I will enclose  
 to Captain Conway, the letter destined  
 for Mr. Home, with the instructions to  
 suspend sending it, for five days, after  
 it reaches him, in order to give you  
 time, to make the confidential com-  
munication to the Gentlemen above  
 named, upon a full and undisturbed  
 hearing, that they are not to appear,  
 when they meet at the Committee, to  
 have had any previous intimation  
 upon the subject, for I shall leave it  
 to Mr. Home, to communicate with  
Messrs. Custon, Forbes, Court, Pitt,  
 and

and Allen. You will easily imagine,  
that I shall feel considerable uneasiness  
till I know the Decision of the Duke  
of Cambridge, and of the Committee,  
as I am already £1743 in arrears to  
the Bankers of this place, and to pay  
for the Bills to the 31<sup>st</sup> December and  
the servants Wages, due on the 1<sup>st</sup> Janry.  
I have literally been obliged to draw  
for, I apprehend, the very last Shilling  
I had in Court's hands, for the quarter  
that will be received at the Exchequer  
about this time. I calculate, that  
I may hear from the Duke of Cambridge  
in about ten or twelve days, say about  
the 24<sup>th</sup>, and that his instructions to Mr. Court<sup>my</sup>,  
reach England about the 28<sup>th</sup>, and as  
you will probably receive this, about  
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the 24<sup>th</sup> also, and five days are to be  
given, before Mr. Hume's letter is sent  
to him, I should hope, that the Duke  
of Cambridge's account will follow close  
at the heels of the communication to  
Mr. Hume, and, if so, I trust that by  
the 10<sup>th</sup> the day, when I shall have the  
order for £500 to pay the Bills of  
this month, I shall have the satisfaction  
of learning, that the credit is lodged  
which is applied for, and which will  
I trust, relieve my mind from the  
weight, which at present, so heavily  
oppresses it. You will perceive, that  
I have now decided upon the Duties  
conferment being placed here, since  
we are refused the assistance necessary

to carry us home, and that certainly  
will be the most economical plan, but  
I shall always bear in my recollection,  
the hardship of the conduct, which  
has rendered this measure necessary.

When these important financial  
matters are arranged, I will then write  
to you fully, respecting your move-  
ments, but I would have you by no  
means think of setting out, with your  
family, until the usual Equinox  
is well over, and the weather is fairly  
settled; but I think it necessary you  
should arrive, prior to the Dutchess  
confinement, as there are many little  
things, my sisters wish to send her,  
precious to the went, which I believe  
may

may be looked for any day, after the  
middle of May. I am trusting to  
add, that she continues doing well,  
and I trust we have the best prospects  
for the result.

Remember me to Mrs. Pittsall,  
your children, and to all our friends  
in the vicinity of Caling, and believe  
me to be ever with the most friendly  
regards

My Dear Pittsall!  
Yours faithfully  
Edward

As I am writing the above, I have judged  
it best to suspend sending Mr. Linn's letter  
'till next Mail, indeed it was impossible to  
get all the enclosures completed in time to  
go by the present one, but I will then  
enclose it to Captain Conroy, with instructions  
not



not to send it, until you approve same,  
that it is the proper moment to do so.

Mr. Wm. Pitt Rivers  
11 Jan 1819 - commencing  
his residence at Exeter  
request for an address of  
Benny, the 1st of the  
Lynn the Government

Amersham 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 1819

My Dear Mr. Marshall

I just write these few lines  
to correct three clerical errors,  
that have been committed in  
the copy of the letter to Mr. Hume,  
I sent you by yesterday's mail  
to communicate to Sunday friends  
of the Committee, and which I  
have just discovered, in time to  
correct them in the original. There  
are as follows. First, the sum stated to be  
still due by me to Mr. Boutle on  
the £3000 he advanced in May  
was set down at £1750, instead  
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of £1500, which it should have been,  
<sup>of</sup> the encroachment on my  
 private funds, when I drew the  
 Bill to wind up every thing at  
 Braford, was stated at £320,  
 instead of £570, which it should  
 have been, and consequently the  
 aggregate of the several sums,  
 introduced upon the same, allotted  
 for my current expenditure,  
 and, which I apply to have repla-  
 ced to my credit to enable me to  
 go on, instead of being £248.2.2  
 as stated, should be £2398.2.2.  
 Have the good will therefore to  
 make these corrections forthwith,  
 in

in order that no misconception  
 may arise, when Mr. Hume's letter  
 is produced to the Committee.  
 It is right however I should  
 add, that these alterations will  
 make no difference, in the whole  
 sum, which the Duke of Cambridge  
 has been requested to advance,  
 though, if my proposal be  
 adopted, of speaking good to me  
 the advances, rather from what  
 was allotted for my quarterly  
 expenditure, it will give me  
 £250 more credit, with my Bank  
which is a highly desirable  
object. I shall add nothing  
 else

about this letter, but concludes  
by subscribing myself with  
the most friendly regards,

My dear Mr. Russell!

Yours faithfully,

Edward

Asnoebach 15<sup>th</sup> Juny 1799  
My Dear Mr. Murrall

I send you open, for the purpose  
of your first reading, and afterwards  
reading and forwarding by post to  
Claremont, the accompanying note  
for Mr. Lewis, who was the first  
female and confidential friend of my  
poor lamented niece, Miss Charlotte,  
and have to request that, as soon as  
she has found a person perfectly qua-  
lified to answer the description therein  
given, you will on receiving information  
of it from her, at the earliest oppor-  
tunity of seeing the person, and of  
Lieut General Murrall making  
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making your report of her to me. Of course, she will have to come over with you, and if she arrives by the last of April, I conceive it will be quite sufficient. As I mentioned in my last communication that, I would in due time suggest my ideas as to your movements, I shall only add here that, as you will find at Brussels, the Dutchess's Luard and my Parache for your accommodation, and besides, the little Carriage in which Matieu travelled, which I have sent to Brussels, in order to have a servant Dickon adjusted to it, that I might always have a very light Carriage to move in, if I required one upon any sudden emergency. I trust you will be able without inconveniencing

your own Establishment, to bring this additional servant with you, for whom I consider it much more respectable to travel under your protection, than <sup>that</sup> she should be sent alone by the Diligence. I had the pleasure of seeing your Maids out yesterday Morning in Harms, all very wonderfully improved, and I have no doubt, that by the time you want them, they will prove as good a pair as the Country produces, and particularly fast. The Dutchess desires her kind remembrance to Mrs. Marshall and yourself, and her love to the Children, and I remain ever with the most friendly regards,

My Depts to Marshall:  
Yours faithfully  
Edward

H. B. H. The Duke of Kent  
of 15 Jan. 1819 with an  
enclosure for Mr. Lewis  
to provide a proper person  
for the care of the nursery

I was  
 Amosbury 26<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1819  
 My Dear Pitt-Rivers  
 No mail having arrived from England  
 to day, I avail myself of the leisure,  
 thereby afforded, to send you a Bill, which  
 has been transmitted to me here,  
 for payment, of the Case, which you  
 were so good, as to order, during my absence  
 from England, in June last, for the  
 purpose of packing up the full length  
 Picture at Castle Hill, that was sent  
 to the Countess de Montgenit, and  
 which appears to be so extravagant,  
 that I think, had it been first submitted  
 to you, it would never have found its  
 way to me in that shape, the fact  
 being, that the Gift forms itself,  
 Lieut. General Pitt-Rivers only  
 H H H



only cost me twenty Guineas, and therefore  
from that, may easily be judged the  
inexpensiveness of the charge for the Case above.  
I am, of course, all anxious to hear from  
you on the two subjects, viz. the guarantee  
of the Committee to the advance which  
I trust the Duke of Cambridge will  
be disposed to make to set me clear and  
what advance, which you are desirous  
my friends should make, to enable me  
to take the Duchess to Lujin at home;  
a point, which she herself is so solicitous  
about, that she told me only yesterday,  
if she could but get out by the end  
of March, she was still perfectly ready  
and willing to undertake the journey,  
which, in her excellent state of health,

by travelling short stages, in a low easy  
Chariot, to be driven by myself with our own  
Horses, we should be able to perform, without  
risk or danger in these waters. By the  
last Mail, I sent to the Marquis of  
Lansdown, who is one of my particular  
friends, and a most gentlemanly moderate  
Man, a statement of my situation, and to  
say, I intended doing the same to the Duke  
of Bedford. I have also written fully,  
to the Duke of Devon, by the present por-  
tuguese, and a few days ago I gave my  
Brother's Secretary, Mr. Stephenson, a little  
insight into the business, for Mr. Brougham's  
information, so that gradually the thing will  
be, I hope, understood, and that, if my friends  
cannot of themselves come forward from not  
viewing the thing as

H.A. H. of 29 Jan. 1849

as a point of indispensable necessity, to  
enable me to carry the Duties to England, or if no  
feeling is excited in the House of Commons to  
make the thing originate in that quarter,  
at least it should be thoroughly understood, that  
it is not for want of good will, either on the  
Duties' part, or mine, that we are forced

to come to the determination of his  
conferment taking place on the Continent.  
At present, I shall add nothing more, <sup>that</sup> than  
God, the Duties maintain his good health,  
that we are all going on quietly, waiting the result  
of my latter communications to you, before  
we take a decided step, and that I continue myself  
to enjoy my usual state of health. Remember  
me to Mr. W. Russell and all your young folks, and  
believe me ever to remain with the most friendly regards.

My Dear Mr. Russell :-  
Yours faithfully  
Edward

Duke of Kent to Lt. Gen. F. A. Wetherall

~~to make it most interesting~~  
 . . . . . March 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 1819  
 My Dear Wetherall  
 A night having passed over my  
 head, since I completed my long letter  
 to you of yesterday, some few points have  
 occurred to me, which I think it as well  
 to introduce into a fresh letter: The first  
 of these is to observe to you, that of course,  
 as the expected loan of the Duke of Cambridge  
 is at an end, the application for a gua-  
 rantee to the Committee, will be at an  
 end also; but, if any disposition should  
 have been devised by Mr. Hume, to refer  
 to the guarantee, then the offer might be  
 made to Lords Fitzwilliam and Dundas  
 to repay them, within two years, under such  
 guarantee; otherwise the matter must  
 Lieut. General Wetherall remain  
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remain, just as I have laid it down to  
Lord Dundas, viz. as a proposal, distinct  
from the Committee, and the payments  
to take place only, when their trust is  
fulfilled. The next remark I have  
to make, is to call your attention most  
seriously, to the annexed account from  
which you will perceive, that I am, at  
this moment, in the greatest possible dif-  
iculty, such as I have never been in before,  
for I had at the commencement of the  
quarter, only a balance of £ 543<sup>11</sup> 1<sup>11</sup> 3 in  
my favor & between this period and the 31<sup>st</sup>  
of March, payments will have to be made  
good to the extent of £ 3082<sup>11</sup> 12<sup>11</sup> 9<sup>11</sup>, so  
that I shall require immediately, a credit  
lodged with Coutts, on my foreign account,  
of £ 2000 to avoid, encroaching upon the  
next quarter's allowance, exclusive of  
the £ 2200 due to Mr. Pedraglia, which  
you

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you are aware, is altogether. Mr. de Schindler's  
fault, and which he expects to be repaired  
by Carter, so that the first object you  
have to press on Lord Dundas' attention,  
is the impossibility of £ 6000 being imme-  
diately advanced, and lodged with Coutts  
to the credit of my foreign account, to  
overcome the pressing difficulties here,  
and then if I am to go to England, the  
remaining £ 4000 I have applied for  
should be forthcoming early in April.  
Of course, if the thing can be done, alto-  
gether, without reference to the Committee,  
through the kindness of these Noblemen,  
it will be best, but, if it cannot be  
effected, you must positively find some  
other way, as I am sure, you would not  
wish me to remain a month longer  
in the very painful situation in which  
I am now placed. I trust this will  
reach

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of Feb<sup>y</sup>,  
reach you by the 11<sup>th</sup>, and under that impres-  
sion, I shall venture about the 15<sup>th</sup>, to  
pay my January Bills, by giving Pedraglia  
a Draft upon Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Cuth<sup>ts</sup> payable  
at six weeks after sight, which, at all events  
will be met by the April quarter. But  
it would be much more desirable, that  
the money could be lodged at Cuth<sup>ts</sup> at once,  
<sup>for</sup> their last letter now before me of the  
19<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>ant</sup>, strongly hints, that they  
fear the little balance in their hands  
will be immediately absorbed, and I should  
not like the same thing to happen here,  
which was the case with the Duke of  
York, viz. the House refusing the pay-  
ment of a draft of his; and which I  
am almost apprehensive of since, up to  
the present period, if they have made  
all

all the payments they were authorized to do, my Foreign Account must already have been overdrawn £600, if not £1400, and you know what cautious people they are in making any advance, when they have not the immediate prospect of repayment.

I remain ever with the most friendly regards

My Dear Mr. Marshall:-

Yours faithfully  
Edward

P.S. In consequence of a conversation I have just had with the Dutchess, I open my letter again to mention to you, that there is the most urgent necessity, for our being apprized, with the least possible delay whether the means will be forthcoming for our moving to England, for Madam de Sittou's the Medical Lady, whom her family and herself wish to attend her, in conjunction with Dr. Wilson

as well upon the journey, for fear of any accident  
 arising, as when the moment of her accouchment  
 arrives, being in constant request at Darmstadt  
 and its vicinity, where she not only is an  
 accouchouse, but also practices <sup>as</sup> a Physician  
 in all Ladies complaints, having over through  
 the regular course of Anatomy, Chyrurgie, at  
 Göttingen, will require three Weeks notice at  
least, to hold herself in readiness, and has herself  
 advised, <sup>that</sup> the Dutchess should endeavour to set  
 out so early in March, that she may be able to  
 cross the Water, immediately after the vernal Equinox  
 had subsided, there being no certainty of her  
being safe after the first week of May,  
 You will therefore see the importance of acting  
 with energy, the moment after you receive this, as  
 unless we can set off in time to reach Cologne in  
 the first week of April, which it will require  
 three Weeks to do, travelling as we must do, by  
 easy stages, we shall be too late after all, to  
 accomplish the desired object. E.

*Present*  
H<sup>o</sup> R. H<sup>o</sup> The Duke of  
Kendal. Letter of the  
29 Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1819 on the  
subject of a Loan of  
£50,000 with an  
Account of Disburse-  
ment. made by H<sup>o</sup>.  
R. H<sup>o</sup> -



Memorandum for Lt. Genl. M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup>

By statement of my Receiver Account as received from Mr. South  
by the last Mail it appears that on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January after giving  
me credit for the Quarter Annuity then only remaining a balance  
in my favor of £540<sup>1</sup><sup>1</sup><sup>3</sup>  
against which there would immediately come  
the following sums.

- 1<sup>st</sup> A Bill given Mr. C Pedraglia to cover his  
disbursements for the payment of my  
Gov<sup>t</sup>: Household Accounts 356<sup>9</sup><sup>0</sup>
  - 2 A payment to Dr. Dunell & Symon of B<sup>r</sup> Bills 101<sup>3</sup><sup>6</sup>
  - 3 do to Trajan 50<sup>00</sup>
  - 4 do to Dr. Buchanan & Co. of B<sup>r</sup> Bills 138<sup>18</sup><sup>00</sup>
  - 5 do to Dr. D<sup>r</sup> 93<sup>3</sup><sup>9</sup>
  - 6 do to King 48<sup>13</sup><sup>00</sup>
  - 7 do to W<sup>r</sup> King 54<sup>5</sup><sup>00</sup>
  - 8 do to J<sup>r</sup> King 78<sup>17</sup><sup>14</sup>
  - 9 do to J<sup>r</sup> King 14<sup>16</sup><sup>8</sup><sup>14</sup>
  - 10 do to H<sup>r</sup> King 29<sup>15</sup><sup>00</sup>
  - 11 do to C<sup>r</sup> King 15<sup>00</sup>
  - 12 A Bill given to Pedraglia to cover his  
disbursements for the payment of my  
Gov<sup>t</sup>: Wages on the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> and of the  
Gov<sup>t</sup>: Bills that will become due March 1<sup>st</sup> 828<sup>11</sup><sup>6</sup>
  - 13 A Draft for the Bills of Jan<sup>y</sup> that will  
become due in March 1<sup>st</sup> probably 500<sup>00</sup>
  - 14 A Draft for the Bills of Feb<sup>r</sup> that will  
become due in March 1<sup>st</sup> probably 500<sup>00</sup>
  - 15 To be paid at Banco for Exports in March 125<sup>00</sup>
  - 16 do to Gov<sup>t</sup>: W<sup>r</sup> King in do 50<sup>00</sup>
  - 17 do to Gov<sup>t</sup>: W<sup>r</sup> King in April 145<sup>00</sup>
- £ 3082<sup>12</sup><sup>9</sup><sup>14</sup>

Which will make a total of £ 2539<sup>11</sup><sup>0</sup> requiring immediate provision,  
besides the sum of £ 2200 now due to Mr. Pedraglia, as from the last  
Statement made out, he has further paid to Mr. de S<sup>r</sup> a sum of  
about £ 455

Should I pass through B<sup>r</sup> Bills in April, there will further be to  
provide for about £ 1000 further remaining to be paid there.

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GEO. ADDL MSS 7



(square)

Sir

38 York Place  
July 1<sup>st</sup> 1819

Altho' Your Royal Highness's letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> of Nov<sup>r</sup> has not been answered by me directly yet I hope General Wetheral has communicated my sentiments fully on the different points which required distinct Answers -

It has been to me source of great concern that any circumstances should have occurred to increase your expenses beyond the estimate which had been given in, because the past applications to the Committee for payment of Mr. Sturklands £4000 the £6000 to Madame & the last £1000 to meet the unavoidable expenses of your marriage, were accompanied with assurances and a distinct understanding on all sides that nothing, however urgent, should interpose to stop the regular liquidation of the remainder of the debts -

There was so strong a feeling, in behalf of Your Royal Highness, amongst the Royal Highness & the Duke of Kent &

Yours

Your friends that their former, almost positive, resolution, not to delay the final liquidation of Your debts, was overcome by the peculiar circumstances in which you were placed, but they satisfied themselves that it was in furtherance of Your Happiness & the Country's good.

I should be acting towards Your Royal Highness without that Candor which I have on all occasions endeavoured to observe if I were to offer you the smallest chance of the Committee being influenced by any circumstances that can be stated to them to delay any longer the liquidation of those debts which yet remain, and I <sup>therefore</sup> have not ventured to call a meeting or to take any measures for that purpose.

Whenever the account promised by you shall be received, I shall, nevertheless, if you think proper, submit it, with your letters to me on the Subject to their

consideration.

It has been extremely unpleasant to Your Royal Highness to have received the refusal from the Prince Regent: but it was a measure ~~from~~ which, if I had had the honor of advising you, I should most certainly have dissuaded you from trying.

After the many proofs you have had of his Royal Highness's jealousy of the Measures you were adopting for the discharge of Your debts, and of the difficulties which he has himself to contend with in his finances, I conclude that it is neither his policy, nor is it in his power, to afford you the assistance you required.

It has proved, for the Prince Regent a fortunate circumstance that you & your Royal Brothers were abroad during the illness of the Queen; His Britannic Majesty has not failed to extol his great and <sup>expedient</sup>

assiduous attention to his person, at the  
expense of yourself & your Royal Brothers  
& Sisters - These Opinions were but too  
successfully circulated, & entertained by the  
people of this Country - It was the theme  
of all ranks and you cannot have read  
the Newspapers at that time without  
observing its effects - He has gained a  
little of popularity, and you will believe  
me when I assure you that all the  
rest of the family abroad have lost in  
the estimation of the public in a much  
greater degree -

It was generally said that  
you all only wanted money from the  
public and deserted the bedside of your  
afflicted Mother - whilst the Princess  
conduct & that of the Duke of York was  
extolled as exemplary -

It is of little avail to explain  
that

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that the pecuniary sacrifices you were making obliged you to be absent - the feelings of the people & the writings of the press dependants will not allow of it.

The Duke of York has benefited so much by that circumstance that he will be chosen to the charge of the Kings Person without an Objection, which otherwise I believe would not have been the case -

The Son who for so long a period attended the bedside of his dying Mother, is the fittest person to have charge of his afflicted father; & who can gainsay that?

The Advisers of the Prince, who also must be fully aware of all the advantages which he has gained during the last six Months, and for him to have advanced funds in any way to facilitate your return, tho' only for a time, would have been a kind of *felix de se* -

As you may not have these Sentiments

from others, the anxious & sincere regard, <sup>which I have</sup> for  
your Royal Highness, induces me to make  
them known, to enable you to account for the  
refusal which you have experienced, & to make  
up your mind, as to the extent of help, and  
encouragement you have to look for from  
that quarter.

The Opinion which I ventured  
to offer to your Royal Highness in 1815,  
that you had nothing whatever to expect from  
the Prince Regent & his advisers, which they  
could withhold from you, remains unaltered;  
and every time you apply to him, to my  
Lord Castlereagh &c. on the Subject will  
only afford them an opportunity of refusal,  
and, I must add, of humiliation.

They, all of them, will rejoice to hear that  
you are in pecuniary distress, and thereby removed  
from the Scene where you possess a more potent  
than to inconvenience and trouble.

As your reception & estimation by the  
public is greatly <sup>flattering</sup> and daily observable when in  
the spot, every expression of that popularity  
must

most naturally, sting them to the quick, and make  
them who are very unpopular, feel the presence  
of your Royal Highness as an evil.

Before I received your letter of the 2<sup>d</sup> Inst, which  
sent the Copies of the Letters in General Wetheralls  
possession, the above Opinions had been formed, &  
therefore, these Letters, extraordinary as they may  
have appeared to your Royal Highness, did not  
in the smallest degree surprise me.

Your Royal Highness must depend  
on yourself & your own resources, and I should  
be indeed happy if I could persuade you  
that they were ample for every purpose you  
have to serve: and, as you do me the honor  
to submit your case to me & to allow me to  
give you a candid & unbiassed Opinion, I  
beg to assure you that you will acquire  
the esteem of all your friends, and your  
own approbation & satisfaction, by resolving  
to act on the principle of self-dependence  
& never allow yourself to look to, or to solicit  
aid from, any quarter where your application  
can be rejected. The continuance, & perhaps  
extension of that determination to free

yourself by your own means, at whatever  
sacrifice may be requisite, should be continued, &  
you will then view the further reduction of  
Losses & Carriages &c. &c. still requisite to bring  
your expenditure within the limited means your  
Law, as but a paltry sacrifice in comparison  
with the present peace of mind & serenity  
which is to be obtained by these means -

Expense is requisite to bring to public  
notice the Revenue is; but the Royalty &  
my already highly esteemed character,  Economy  
<sup>which is necessary</sup> becomes the most brilliant star that can  
adorn it. You will pardon me for observing  
that such in my humble opinion is your situation  
and that rather than be distressed for supplies,  
incurring debts your <sup>present means</sup> cannot discharge, and  
placing yourself under Obligations you might  
avoid, I think you should <sup>consider</sup> your est.  
so as to free yourself from all these, to me  
I feel satisfied also to your Royal Highness's  
most unpleasant circumstances -

I venture to assure you that your name  
will rise in public esteem if it were known that  
you

you



your Lady only 4, instead of 20, Lasses, that your  
 Lady had 3, instead of 10, Courtyes & every  
 thing in proportion - all reduced, that you  
 might the same pay every man his just debt.

These considerations come more immedi-  
 -ately home to your Royal Highness, as  
 they would, if attended to & adapted, about  
 enable you to perform the greatest and  
 most important duty your Country looks  
 for from you - I mean the bringing over to  
 England, the Dutchess for her accompaniment  
 perhaps of a Son or daughter who may  
 grace the Throne of these Kingdoms -

To you it would be a severe afflic-  
 -tion to have any child, who may perhaps  
 be sovereign, looked upon & called a  
 foreigner, for such assuredly it will be,  
 if born out of England -

The pride and glory of John Bull  
 to have an English Sovereign is too great  
 to be lost sight of at any period, and the  
 time may come when legitimacy may be  
 challenged, and challenged with effect,  
 from

from the circumstance of birth taking place  
on a foreign Soil. Were I as your Royal  
Highness's situation, the duty I owe to my  
family, & to my Country would make me  
bring my Dutchess to England if I should  
have an establishment not exceeding £4000  
instead of £8000 -

I have endeavored to ascertain  
the feeling on this important point, and  
there is but one Opinion on the Subject  
that you should be in England - The  
report has been abroad that you are not  
coming over to England & the few <sup>of friends as the</sup> ~~few~~ <sup>of friends as the</sup> ~~few~~  
I have explained this, likely cause to prevent  
you from coming over, have expressed their  
Surprize & astonishment -

Your Royal Highness must not  
forget that you receive from the Public's  
Money £3000 a year, and, under such  
circumstances to have a Sum I hear been  
abroad, a foreigner, will be thought by  
the Nation to arise from the wish of the

Dutchess to remain in her own Country -

It has been observed again & again that  
if you had not £8000 a year you should  
be in England - Others add, and the observa-  
-tion will gain ground, cannot the Dutchess  
of Kent live in her Brother's house for 1  
or 2 months in England during her absence  
- months in Court his £5000 for a butchler  
assist his Sister to remain a few months  
in England? ~

The Duke of Kent is already  
a great & deserved favorite with the most valuable  
part of the Community in England, it should be his  
 anxious solicitude to cultivate that good opinion  
and to obtain the same favorable Sentiments for  
his Dutchess, but, will her remaining abroad  
at the approaching important time be the means  
of ingratiating her self or her offspring with  
the British public? ~

Is not she proposed, as the Duke  
wishes to make some becoming sacrifices in show  
expense to obtain these important results? ~

Cannot an addition of £2000 a year  
to the income of His Royal Highness, enable

how to be in his place, in England, when a  
future Saviour may be born.

else into the Duke & Dutchess well  
know that, to a British public, suffering as  
they are at present under excessive taxation and  
compelled, to exercise every kind of retrenchment  
& economy to keep out of debt & from ruin,  
it would be highly gratifying, to witness the  
Sacrifices making by the Duke & Dutchess of  
Kent to discharge the incumbrances already  
incurred? Such indeed would be the promise  
if you were in Kensington Palace with an  
Est<sup>t</sup>. which L<sup>d</sup> is 5000 a year could pay  
and great would be the peace of mind & the  
satisfaction which you would enjoy in compa-  
-rison with the uneasiness and distress which  
a feeling & amiable mind must daily suffer  
from incurring debts you cannot pay, and  
anticipating the resources which prior deli-  
-quation had allotted for the discharge of  
past and perhaps unavoidable debts.

It will be a difficult undertaking

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to persuade any Man that, under the Circumstances in which you have been placed, for some time past, you could not have avoided the incurring of a New debt -

Every Shilling you have expended may be extremely moderate for the high Station in which Providence has placed you; every article may be consistent with those feelings which as a Prince you ought to entertain, if you had the Means of discharging those engagements consequent on that high Station of liberal feelings. But you will allow me to say that the Opinions of the Public are formed, not from what under other Circumstances might be highly proper, but from what existing & unavoidable Circumstances render necessary - I shall rejoice when the period arrives that your magnificent & princely plans can be carried into effect by the possession of the whole of Your Income of £300000 a

Yours

Year, but, until then, no line of conduct can be so satisfactory to the public, or productive of more real benefit & peace of mind to yourself, than that of making your establishments suitable to your means. By trusting to, & acting upon your own resources and consistent with your own engagements, you will neither have to solicit from one, nor be obliged to another for assistance or help further than you have already obtained.

I cannot possibly grasp the extent or extent of those incumbrances which have, (as General Wetherall informs me & as your letter promises to explain) in the course of Six Months involved you in so much trouble & uneasiness; but I am confident, in my view of your situation, that every attempt to lighten these incumbrances by borrowing money to pay them off will only eventually increase them until the whole of the arrangements which have been made fall to the ground, as well as the credit which hitherto you have acquired

from your friends and the public become an empty name and perhaps be converted into the most powerful means of injuring your character with all classes of the Community.

Your situation is not a common one, and your conduct requires to be cautious, & to stand upon that ground which you have chosen to stand upon. You stand pledged, in the view of the Prince Regent & the branches of your family, before the public & to your friends to a system of Economy within the £70,000 a year resolved upon & generally known to all persons; and, if it should be known that, with an addition of £1000 to that sum (exclusive of £1000 to pay extra claims) you are still going on with your expenditure much exceeding these limits, and have put yourself in a situation to solicit further loans from the Prince and other persons, is it possible to fulfil your engagements? What will be the universal conclusions with respect to the whole business from first to last.

Mr Hume. Feb 4 1741

I regret to mention them, but the anxiety I have to put you in possession of the probable, may I may add, certain Opinions of the thinking part of the Community in such an occurrence, obliges me to inform you that no Person will then be disposed to give belief to the Sincerity of your intentions from the first, or of the probability of your having sufficient resolution to carry them into effect in future. A conclusion which I am satisfied would be more unpleasant to your feelings, than any possible reflection in the No: of your Losses, & wants &c. to bring your expences within your income, could possibly be.

I hope you will excuse the great freedom of this address, but from the friendship with which you have honored me, & the attention which you have always paid my letters I should not consider myself as deserving of a continuance of that friendship if I had ventured to address you in a manner more pleasing to your feelings, than less convenient to truth.

I have the honor to remain  
Your Royal Highness's  
most obedient humble Servant  
Joseph Hume

To His Royal Highness  
The Duke of Kent  
or or or

Feb. 3. 1819

Extract of a letter from Mr. Stephenson  
to His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent  
dated Garden Court Temple 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. 1819. -

"Considerable disappointment will  
"be felt and expected here at His Royal  
"Highness being confined abroad. The  
"feeling is so strong, that those Princes,  
"who may become Sovereigns, should be  
"born in the Country, that it is more  
"than wise policy to visit the course of  
"popular opinion upon this subject.  
"The Duke of Clarence's probable issue,  
"at the present moment, being that  
"only, which may stand between the  
"Issue of Your Royal Highness and the  
"Throne, makes the necessity of the  
"Duke's of Kent being brought to Bed  
"in

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"in this Country, if possible more absolute.  
 "The inconvenience which retains the  
 "Royal Highness in a foreign Country,  
 "at such a time, should be almost  
 "insupportable. - This may appear strong  
 "but there is scarcely a person with  
 "whom I have conversed upon this  
 "important subject, who has not ex-  
 "pressed himself in corresponding terms.  
 "I would add, that the Royal Highness  
 "not coming to this Country before May  
 "will be an immense sacrifice of public  
 "feeling, therefore if it be within the  
 "possibility of your Royal Highness  
 "arrangement to this should be accomplished.  
 "Allow me to express my sincere regret

"at the disappointment which  
 "your Royal Highness feels upon the  
 "subject of the Commander in Chief,  
 "and the Master General of the Ordnance,  
 "but as they are both of inferior moment  
 "to the one which I have so strongly  
 "expressed upon your Royal Highness's  
 "consideration, I earnestly hope that  
 "they will not prevent your coming  
 "to England. -





Private

Amorbach 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 1819

My Dear Mr. Murray

I received yesterday your welcome letter of the 29<sup>th</sup> Ultimo, which gives me the assurance that, as far as rests with yourself, Sir Thomas Pitt, Mr. Buxing, Mr. Gay, and Mr. Highland / who I authorized to give Mr. Buxing's consent I may depend upon cordial support, to relieve me from those temporary difficulties, into which the unavoidable expenses of my <sup>for the last nine months</sup> ~~situation~~ <sup>have</sup> ~~reasoned~~ me, but I am still strong doubts, as to the consent of Messrs. Preston and Hume to the guarantee, as tending to withhold to a later period, the reimbursement of the advances of my friends, for I find from Mr. Buxing that

Yours truly  
Lieut. General M. Murray

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that Pustow was the Man, with whom  
originated the strong resolution, they came  
to, when they granted the £ 8000, that  
a recurrence of a similar proceeding  
was on no account to be suffered. However  
it is perhaps of less consequence now,  
that the Duke of Cambridge cannot  
come forward with a loan, as I would  
willingly hope that my friends Lords  
Fitzroy, Murray, and Dundas will assist  
me, with what I have applied for,  
without such guarantee. A few lines  
received from Mr. Souths opinion and,  
that Mr. Home had been with him,  
but that their conversation on my business  
was necessarily deferred to a future day,  
as Mr. Home had not time, then, to  
enter upon it, but as his letter was dated  
also on the 29<sup>th</sup>. I apprehend Mr. Home  
had

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had not then received the one transmitted  
to Captain Conway, to be forwarded at  
your discretion. Of course, you will be  
able to judge of my determination, with  
regard to my staying here or proceeding  
to England, as the former is my only  
resource, if I do not receive the means  
to clear off here, as well as to pay my  
journey, which will necessarily be a much  
more expensive one, than any of the former,  
from the number of days, we must be  
on the road, and from the Medical and  
other attendants, we shall require to afford  
the Deceasing comfort and assistance possible,  
as also to look forward to the certainty  
of enough to do all that will be necessary,  
in England, up to the period of our return,  
which will be at the end of August: accor-  
ding therefore as matters turn out, you  
will

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will decide on bringing with you the  
Woman. Mrs Lewis is to look out for us,  
or to keep her back, until we arrive at  
Huntington, which will be as near as  
possible, at Easter. I have the satis-  
faction of adding, that the Dutchess is  
at present going on very well, though  
most anxious to be relieved from the  
state of suspense, in which she is at present  
kept. Thank God! her mind is completely  
bent towards England, and if she can  
only set out by the 20<sup>th</sup> of March, she will  
do it with courage and cheerfulness, but to  
attempt it many days after that, would  
be imprudent. She desires to be kindly  
remembered to yourself and Mr Pitt-Rivers,  
and I am in love with the most friendly regards.  
My Dear Mr Pitt-Rivers!  
Yours faithfully  
Edward

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The Countess de Montgomerie in her  
last letter, requested me to direct her  
father, to address all his letters to  
you, in future, through me; you  
will therefore have the goodness to  
obey his instruction, and to imme-  
diately enclose them to me in your  
letters at the same time, that  
I shall expect to receive a letter from  
you for his father, once a month. &c.

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H.R. H. The Duke of Kent  
Letter of the 8 Feb. 1829  
stating his pecuniary  
embarrassment.

Wm Pitt Rivers  
from  
by Mrs Jones; A. L. L.  
change of the  
for the Duke of  
Wm Pitt Rivers

Amosketch 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 1819

My Dear Mr. Murrall

I cannot describe to you the  
satisfaction I experienced, when  
the two Mails of the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> arrived  
together yesterday, and brought me  
no letter from you, and particularly  
at receiving by that conveyance, the  
accompanying letters from Messrs. Hume,  
Curtis & Cox, which I send for your  
information, and to be carefully  
perused by you, with my anxious  
wishes, in order that you may read  
them, and then seal them with my  
seal, which is in Mr. Fletcher's possession,  
Lieut. General Murrall

Yours  
C. Fox

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 before you forward them to their res-  
 pective destinations. As my answers,  
 though written, I hope, in cool and  
 temperate language, express fully my  
 sentiments, upon the contents of  
 the letters, to which they are in reply,  
 it will be needless for me to say more  
 upon my feelings, than that I never  
 in any life time, read such a composition  
 as Mr. Hume's, which breathes all the  
 spirit of a man, devoid of every delicate  
 sentiment, as well as of complete  
 ignorance with respect to situations,  
 as the advice he gives, is wholly unap-  
 plicable to the case; the difficulties  
 I have got into, having been unavoidably  
 incurred, from the life I was obliged  
 to

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 to lead from March to October, and  
not in the least arising from any  
overgrown Establishment. With  
 respect to Old Court's letter, it is evi-  
 -dently the result of the impression made  
 upon a very infected mind and body,  
 by Mr. Hume's dictatorial tone,  
 and I most heartily forgive it, but  
 as to the conduct of the House, with  
 regard to Perceval's bill, I consider it a  
scandalous offence, and if it were not  
 for my respect for Old Court, I would  
 not leave my account, another hour  
 in the House, beyond the period when  
 Mr. Court's advances shall be repaid;  
nor will I, whenever the Old Man  
 dies, continue with the partners:-  
 Having

Having said this, I have no other desire  
that you will take immediate steps  
with Messrs. Kirkland, Gray, & Burling  
to ascertain, who are the members of the  
Committee that will support Mr. Hume's  
plan of proceeding, I mean to desert  
me in my present unpleasant situa-  
-tion, and which I should conceive  
according to my own judgment, would  
be confined to Mr. Hume, Mr. Preston,  
Mr. Coates, and probably Mr. Forbes,  
as the echo of Mr. Hume, but I would  
give hope, that all the others would  
think differently, especially when Mr.  
Hume's gross letter for I can give it  
no other name is shown to them, as  
will



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well as the two letters from Coatts and  
his House, and my answer to Whose.  
If I am right in this opinion, I  
consider it a most important point,  
that not a moment should be lost,  
in obtaining the presence of Sir  
Archibald McHenry, a staunch firm  
friend of mine, who will be the fittest  
person to call together Whose friends  
of the Committee, who will not walk  
in Mr. Hume's shoes, and to propose  
and concert measures for breaking up  
the old Committee, and paying off  
the advances of Whose, who are in Mr.  
Hume's way of thinking, and nomi-  
nating other friends to take their  
places, for I should hardly think it  
possible

possible, as I have expressed myself  
 to Mr. Hume, whatever may have been  
 the pledge, when the last advance  
 was made by the Committee, that under  
 the singular position, into which  
 I am thrown, without any fault  
of my own, the majority of the Gentlemen  
 could consent to leaving me in the  
 lurch, when the application of two  
 quarters funds for my relief, and those  
as they drop in, would be all that  
 would be required. You will there-  
 fore clearly understand, what I send  
 you. Mr. Hume's two letters, in order  
 that those of the Committee, who are  
liberally disposed, may see how he  
wishes to act, and my answer thereto,

to prove my sentiments upon what  
 he has stated: Next, what I send Mr.  
 Coote's letter to prove to the Gentlemen,  
 first, that Mr. Hume has taken upon  
 himself to assist, they regretted the  
 assistance they had given me, secondly,  
 that he has brought Mr. Coote to  
 declare, that he wishes to make no  
 further advances, and my answer  
 thereto, that the Gentlemen may under-  
 stand how I have replied to both  
 points, as also that they may see  
 clearly, that if they wish to help me,  
 it must be done from the funds  
 of the Committee, after they have  
 once got possession of them, and lastly,  
 I send the letter of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Coote & Co. in  
 order

order, that they may see <sup>into</sup> what an un-  
pleasant predicament I have been  
thrown, by the House refusing to accept  
my Bill for a few hundred pounds, be-  
cause just at the moment they had  
not effects sufficient in hand, although  
they would in two months after, and  
that too, after having been twenty eight  
years, one of their customers.

I am of course all impatience to know  
the result of the last commission  
I gave you for Lord Dundas, as in case  
that should succeed, what I have suggested  
in the present letter, will not be so  
prejudicial, but if otherwise, it ought to  
be acted upon with promptitude, that  
I may be able to take the Dutchup over  
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for her confinement, which will be too  
late, unless we can set out at latest  
by the 20<sup>th</sup> of next month. Having  
the utmost confidence in Captain  
Lemroy's attachment, zeal, activity  
and intelligence, I have made him fully  
acquainted with my present situation,  
therefore you may speak to him most  
freely upon the subject, whenever you  
may wish to have the benefit of his  
advice, opinion and assistance. The  
Dutchess is going on well on the whole,  
but I think rather suffers from falling,  
till the point is settled finally one way  
or the other, and particularly was a good  
deal hurt, when I read to her, that part  
of Mr. Hume's letter, respecting her Brother,  
and

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and herself, which I consider most unfeeling  
on the part of that Gentleman, and now  
my Dear Mr. Marshall, I shall conclude, rely-  
ing on your exertions to relieve me from  
my present, painful anxiety, which I  
think however can be easily accomplished,  
if those of my friends, who are not  
so narrow minded as Mr. Rume, will  
only act with energy and terminate the  
business by taking the Bill by the  
throat at once. The Dutchess desires  
to be kindly remembered to Mr. Marshall,  
and I remain at all times with the most  
friendly regards

My Dear Mr. Marshall:-

Yours faithfully  
Edward

H<sup>o</sup>R<sup>o</sup>H<sup>o</sup> The Duke of  
Nesbit's Letter of 12 Feb<sup>r</sup>  
1819 with enclosures  
from Countess of Southdown  
& Mr. Anson

enc.

Sir

38 York Place  
Feb 2<sup>d</sup> 1819

After the despatch of my letter of yesterday I have been favored with your Royal Highness's letter of the 3<sup>d</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, inclosing a detailed account of the expenses which you have incurred, and which press heavily on you at the present moment. Feeling, as appears from your Royal Highness's letter and interest as I do for my own, and having, after conferences with Mr Cault's & others of your Royal Highness's friends, given the whole of the circumstances the most deliberate and careful consideration, I am unable to add, nor could I withhold, any part of my letter of yesterday's date from your Royal Highness's perusal and consideration.

Much as I respect your Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, I have little hesitation, altho' it is unfavorable

To His Royal Highness  
The Duke of Devon }  
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to your wishes & expectations, to <sup>my opinion</sup> express to  
 your Royal Highness that he will not be  
 disposed to come forward, in the way your  
 Honour speaks of, even on the supposition that  
 the Committee would agree to the guarantee &  
 preference which you propose, but which, I  
 should decline you, if I could offer you the  
 smallest hopes that they would give.

Your Royal Highness has been  
 so candid, in the statement to me, that I  
 can only show my sense of it by the Candour  
 & sincerity of my last letter in all its  
 details - I should consider it quite unnecessary  
 to enter into any of the items or  
 details, <sup>in the clear & explicit statements sent</sup> under the circumstances in which  
 I consider your Royal Highness placed,  
 at present.

The Balance is elevated, the  
 beam is on the poise, your determination  
 must render them of kind, self satisfaction  
 with all the concomitants of freedom, or

continual disgust & a succession of opponents  
 to ward off <sup>for a time only</sup> & disgrace, to prede-  
 minate in the Scale.

I hope shall I be to learn  
 that resolution of Expense & Economy, with  
 perfect dependance on your own resources,  
 shall be the results of that consideration which  
 your situation requires. But, whatever  
 your Royal Highness may determine  
 to do, I again request that you  
 will believe my candour & earnestness  
 have been dictated by the best of  
 Motives.

I have the Honour to remain

Your Royal Highness's  
 most Obedt. & Humble Servt.

Joseph Sturges



