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Sir

I have the truest and deepest sense of
Your Majesty's gracious condescension,
my heart is full of gratitude for your
Royal goodness; returning health of
which I have now some tho' very
distant prospect will enable me I
hope to make the only return in my
power by a more assiduous attention
to their Royal Highnesses education.

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The long neglect of my real complaints
protracts the cure, my wounds cannot
yet be closed of some time, and strict
abstinence is still necessary; I am
emaciated, and weak, and cannot hope
to recover strength & flesh till I am
able to eat meat & quit confinement.

In this state my Surgeon is of
opinion I cannot hope to return to
England till the winter is far advanced,
that even then, I should still arrive
there an invalid; and that it would
be the height of imprudence for me

not

not to pass the winter in a
warmer climate than that of England.
I therefore justly apprehend I must
beseech and implore Your Majesty's
further indulgence. This fresh
proof of Your Royal favour cannot
add to the gratitude I already feel,
or to the profound respect with which
I have the honour to be

Sir

Your Majesty's
most dutiful, devoted
and obedient servant
and subject

W. Holderness

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narrow channel than that of the
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further improvement. This
proof of your paper for
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or to the professor's report
I have the honor to be

Your Majesty's
most faithful servant
and obedient servant
and subject
Wm. Pitt