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Sir

Hanover October 9<sup>th</sup> 1781

I have received by the last Courier a letter from  
Col. Holman, which acquainted me, that Your Majesty  
had been pleased to express yourself as thoroughly  
satisfied with my conduct in regard to the management  
of the Princes Affairs, I could not suffer this Courier  
to pass without testifying to Your Majesty how  
extremely flattered, & happy I feel at receiving  
this assurance of Your Majesty's approbation: I  
must likewise beg leave to return Your Majesty  
my most humble, & dutiful thanks for the yearly  
allowance, which Your Majesty has been pleased  
to order Col. Holman to pay me, at the same  
time, I hope Your Majesty will permit me  
to assure you, that I sh<sup>d</sup> have felt myself  
sufficiently rewarded for any services of mine, by having  
the honour of being placed about His Royal  
Highness's person, whose behaviour to every one

but particularly to myself, cannot but make my situation the most honourable, & at the same time the most agreeable I & possibly wish or desire.

His Serene Highness the Duke of Brunswick left Hanover this morning after having stayed here two nights upon a visit to His Royal Highness; the affection & attachment which H. S. H. shews upon every occasion for the Prince, cannot but flatter His Royal Highness, who seems to be perfectly sensible of it - The Duke was but just returned from Potsdam: He was pleased to inform me, that although he was not directly charged with any commission from the King of Prussia to His Royal Highness, yet His Prussian Majesty wished that it might be conveyed to the Prince, that in case His Royal Highness sh'd have a desire next spring to see the Prussian troops, His Majesty wd be extremely happy in having an opportunity to pay every attention which layed in his power to His Royal Highness, & in marking the esteem & friendship which he entertained for His Family

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His Royal Highness thought proper to return for answer to the Duke, that he was thoroughly sensible of the King of Prussia's politeness towards him, that it was His greatest wish & desire to see the Prussian troops, of whom he had heard so much; but that not knowing the intentions which Your Majesty had formed for his expedition of next year, he could at present only say that he sh<sup>d</sup> be happy in having an opportunity to assure His Prussian Majesty in person of the great respect he entertained for him. The Duke desired, ~~that~~ in case such a plan sh<sup>d</sup> be adopted next spring, that I sh<sup>d</sup> give him notice of it, some little time before, that he might arrange matters accordingly, as he sh<sup>d</sup> wish to have the honour of accompanying the Prince upon that expedition.

I have the honour  
to be, Your Majesty's,  
most dutiful Subject,

Lo Servant,

Hanover Octob. 12<sup>th</sup>  
1781

Rich Grenville

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text on aged paper, possibly a letter or document.]*

Colonel Grenville  
Answered Decr. 1781.