

Colonel Notham,

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It is with the utmost Respect & Submission, that Colonel Notham most humbly presumes, in order to occasion His Majesty the least Trouble, to take this Method of addressing Him, principally to know whether it is His Majesty's Pleasure, that He should take out H. R. H. Prince Frederick's Commission for the Command of the Second Troop of Horse Grenadier Guards, as He did that for the Rank of Colonel. — Colonel Notham submits with the greatest Deference to His Majesty, whether, as soon as His Royal Highness has appointed an Agent, Colonel Notham should not take some Measures with Him, that the Finances of the Troop may be early represented to His Royal Highness in a clear & comprehensive View; & that Colonel Notham may be enabled so to arrange His own Account with Prince Frederick, that the Receipts from His Military Appointment may be stated with Exactness & Precision. — Colonel Notham hopes His Majesty will be graciously pleased to pardon His occasioning so much Trouble. He is fully sensible of the great Liberty He now takes. But, of the two, He would rather be thought guilty of some Presumption, than of the smallest Negligence or Inattention where His Majesty's Service is concerned. —

