

Extract of a Letter from Major General Grenville to Colonel
 Notham, dated Hanover, 17th October 1783.

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" Though I did not think I should have had to trouble You
 " any more upon Money Matters, yet as I understand that
 " His Royal Highness is called upon to refund a sum of
 " Money, which I had drawn for upon the Treasury here, in
 " advance, upon His Royal Highness's Yearly Allowance, I
 " think it right to explain myself to You upon that Head.
 " You will recollect, that I informed You, in one of my Letters
 " soon after my Return from Berlin, that this Expedition, &
 " that to Brunswick, had swallowed up so much of our Yearly
 " Allowance (viz^t the 8000 Crowns, not including Prince
 " Frederick's 4000) that I should be obliged to draw for Money
 " in advance, & that I should likewise stand in need of a
 " Reinforcement from our Bank in England. I accordingly
 " found it absolutely necessary, after our Return from Helldorf
 " & Schwerin, to beg Your Assistance, having expended in
 " these Journeys no less than six or seven Thousand Crowns,
 " which, with the other Expences here, had consumed our
 " whole Yearly Allowance.

" Soon after Prince William's Arrival, I was informed
 " that the Treasury here was extremely embarrassed at
 " having received an Order, that Prince William's Yearly
 " Allowance should begin from the first of August, & that
 " Prince Frederick's should cease at that Period; & the
 " remaining Quarter of Prince Frederick's (viz^t 4000
 " Crowns) should be applied towards the Payment of Prince
 " William's first Quarter; & that the Treasury were greatly
 " puzzled how to act upon the Occasion. - I accordingly
 " desired Monsieur Hake to write to His Uncle Monsieur
 " le Baron Alvensleben, the Hanoverian Minister in England,
 " to acquaint Him with the true State of the Case; & to
 " inform Him, that I had wrote to You some Time ago

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" to let you know that I had been obliged to draw for the whole
" in advance on account of the Journeys We had taken & were
" about to take; that in case The King should ask Him more
" particularly about it, He might refer His Majesty to My
" Letter to You upon that head; taking it for granted that as
" The King had never specified to Me in particular, that We
" should at no time draw for any Money in advance, & only
" take so much each quarter, I thought Myself at Liberty to
" draw for the whole in advance, in case of an Emergency.

" His Majesty has however orderd, that this Sum, vizt
" the 4000 Crowns, should be refunded, & His Royal Highness
" has given a security that this Sum should be forth-coming,
" meaning to pay it out of His Strong-Box here, in preference
" to the manner in which The King has orderd it to be paid;
" namely, out of the Interest coming to His Royal Highness
" upon some Money lent to the Treasury of Hanover, as it
" will make less Confusion in the Ashbruck Accounts.

" I shall be extremely sorry, if I have innocently incurred
" The King's Displeasure in this Business; but not knowing
" any thing of Prince William's coming over here, or the
" Arrangements made concerning the time of stopping Prince
" Frederick's Allowance, I have unwarily got both The Prince
" & Myself into this Difficulty.

" I must now beg Your Pardon, My dear Aotham, for
" having troubled You with this long Detail; but have been
" thus particular, that, in case His Majesty should express
" to You His Surprise at My having been guilty of such an
" Irregularity, You might explain to His Majesty how it
" came about.

" The Prince is of Opinion that there is no more than
" one Thousand Crowns due, which is the last Quarter of
" His 4000; looking upon the other eight Thousand Crowns
" as having been spent upon the above Expeditions, which

were ordered by the King. He has, however, given security
for the Payment of the whole Four Thousand, which He is
very ready to refund, if the King thinks it should be so."

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Extract

of a letter from Major-General
Grenville to Colonel Northam.

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