

Sir George Baker
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Sir George Baker presents his humble duty
to the King.

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The Queen has already received from Lady Charlotte Finch an account of what was done at Ken this morning.

The consideration of the frequent fits of fainting & sickness which Princess Mary has lately suffered, together with the state of the tumour, which of late has rather subsided than advanced, induced us to come to the resolution that was executed very skilfully by Mr. Charles Hawkins. We conceived, that no advantage could be gained by further delay, but that possibly an injury might be done by it to the constitution.

I have great pleasure in informing your Majesty, that the parts, about the wound, appear to be in a perfectly good condition, and that there is a fair prospect that the cure will be completed in the ordinary course of nature.

No pen can justly describe the calm fortitude, with which Her Royal Highness submitted to a very formidable operation, or the patience with which she endured very severe pain during two minutes.

G. Baker.

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