

Robert Cunningham to the Earl of Suffolk.

1775

S^t. Petersburg ²² March 1774

Private

Accept My Dear Lord the Effusions of a most sincere and grateful Heart for the new Instance you have given me of your Friendship by submitting my humble Request in Behalf of my Daughter to their Majesties.

The Success of your Lordships Application has removed that Sollicitude & Anxiety I hitherto could not but feel for the future Wellfare and Safety of my Child; judge then My Dear Lord how infinitely I think myself indebted to you, & allow your own Sensibility to do that Justice to my Gratitude which Words can not.

To the Obligation you have now conferred on me, may I beseech your Lordship to add that of laying me in the humblest Manner at their Majesties

The Earl of Suffolk.

Robert Cumming to the Duke of Suffolk.

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Majesties Feet, with every due Acknowledgment
of their abundant Goodness and Favour; which
it shall be the constant Study of my Life,
as it will of my Daughters, to deserve.

Agreeable to your Lordships desire I have
the honour of informing you that my Daughter
is in her sixteenth year, which, in case of a
Vacancy; happening (as they do not often) in the
Course I am ambitious of placing her in, will not
I hope be thought too young for admittance.

I have already taken the liberty of troubling your
Lordship with some account of the Plan upon
which her Education has hitherto been formed;
to which, I flatter myself it is unnecessary for me
to add, that she has been brought up in the
strictest Principles of Religion and Virtue; she
had till within these few years a striking Example
of both, as well as of ^{every} amiable quality belonging to
her

sex in an inestimable Mother, which I have
every Reason to flatter myself, she will never
deviate from, nor give your Lordship any cause
to regret the share you have been so good to
take in her Advancement.

May I hope you will pardon the length
to which I have drawn this subject, and believe
me with the most perfect Attachment and
the greatest Respect

My Dear Lord
Your most obliged
most faithful and
Obedient Servant

R. Cumming

To Robert Curzon
March 22. 1914

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