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My Dear Lord Donoughmore

I have been for a long series of
years conversant in ~~Politics~~ & during
that time I have never experienced any
event so unpleasant & mortifying as
that which is the subject of your letter
the manner in which you have stated all
the circumstances are most forcible but
I had not the least knowledge conjecture or
suspicion of His Royal Highness bearing
a wish on the subject & I can with confidence
appeal to Lord Charlemont in a similar case
for the duty & respect with which I met His
R^{ty} Highness that I should do the same
now under existing circumstances it is impossible
to doubt

I have sacrificed Office & honors & private friend-
ships & would my life for His R^{ty} Highness but my
Dear Lord I possess that sentiment which no
earthly or heavenly consideration could reconcile
my hand to transgress or offend His R^{ty} Highness

bound in habits of confidence with the Aidⁿ of
the Duke of Devonshire (without the smallest
obligation) I have given him reason to reckon
on my support in the only slight opportunity
I had in my humble sphere of life of meeting
his wishes

Under such impressions I can appeal to the
well known principles of your excellent heart
& understanding for the fair line of conduct
the inevitable circumstances of the case impose
on me to stand well with a Man of honor
is my boast & the only satisfaction that
gilds the barrenness of my life.

Since this unpleasant matter has occurred I hope
I don't too much trespass on the intimacy and
friendship that has existed between us to
request you will do me justice in a quarter
where I am thoroughly devoted

believe me to be with true esteem and
regard my Dr. Dorough more most
faithfully yours

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Francis Fort