

R. Clifford to Genl Turner

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My Dear General

I have just received your note of the 12th Instant directed to Welbeck Street concerning my collection of Maps. Were it my intention to dispose of them, I know no person in whose hands I should be happier to see them than in yours, as I collected them with a view to perfecting my self for that profession in which you have & ever will render yourself conspicuous.

It is true that a victim to our infernal penal laws, all my hopes & views have been blasted, nevertheless I must own, & you may easily conceive that my greatest consolation is in reading & studying matters relating to the profession of my youth, and in which I once hoped to distinguish myself.

I do assure you, I never had the least idea
of parting with my maps, on the contrary
I take every means my limited circumstances
will permit to augment my collection.

With sincere regard

Ever believe me

Yrs truly

R. Clafford

Uxbridge

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