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My Lord,

I have had the honour of receiving your Lordship's Letter of the 5th Instant, and have to offer my apologies to your Lordship for the delay of my answer.

Your Lordship probably learned from His Grace of Richmond the circumstances which induced me to forbear from giving His Grace any promise as to what I should be able to do in compliance with your

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Lordships and His Grace's wishes. - Those
 circumstances remain the same; but
 in addition to them, I have to acquaint
 your Lordship that it is not His
 Royal Highness The Prince Regent's intention,
 at present, to make any new Peers, -
 and as long as that intention remains
 unchanged, it would be in vain for
 me to bring any application of this
 sort before His Royal Highness.

Your Lordship will therefore perceive
 that I can say no more upon the
 present occasion, after mentioning the
 above circumstance, than refer to what
 I stated in my letter to the Duke of Richmond,

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whose wishes upon this subject, in favour
of your Lordship would, independently
even of my wish to comply with your
Lordship's desire, make me regret
any difficulty which may exist to
prevent me from so doing.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

Downing Street

21st March 1812.

most faithful &

obedient servant

S. Percival

