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My Dear Friend

There is a point on which you should tomorrow take the pleasure of the Prince Regent & communicate it to me. On Wednesday next the election / made annually / of a Grand Master for the Free Masons is to come on at the Quarterly Communication. It seems inconsistent, if not



inducement, that the Sovereign of the Country  
should be subjected to the forms of an  
election. It is admitting the possibility  
of another sentiment than one. Might  
it not be more convenient to the  
-gent's situation that he should desire  
to be considered as simply Patron of  
the Craft, & that the Duke of Sussex



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Country for any other of his brothers when the  
Prince will desire to name / should be  
proposed as grand master? Perhaps  
I refuse too much on this head. But as  
the thought came across me, I could  
not but conceive it right to have  
the matter laid before the Prince  
for His Royal Highness's determination.



Believe me ever faithfully yours

Thine

Lord Mordaunt  
April 5. 1812.

The Right Honourable  
John Lubbock  
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