

C. Arbuthnot to Col. Sec. Mahon

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Private

My Dear Mr. Mahon

Altho' I believe that the Lops
said the better, I think you will
agree with me that the letters w^{ch}
you saw this morning justified me
sufficiently in advising His Royal
Highness that I had full reason for
considering Mr. Johnstone & Mr. Holmes
as friendly to Government. I am
thoroughly convinced that the Lops
are

Men like them will never materially
injure any Government; & tho' we
shall have the Middle Party sounding
their numbers loudly, yet we may
rest assured that with regard to
the rational feeling the triumph
of Government has beyond all
example been complete - Long
came to town this morning, & he
is every day feeling this more strongly.
This also is told me from every
quarter; & I am convinced that the
sentiment is very general -

I was very much amused with
hearing that W. Holmes was my
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Irish Cousin - a Relation of his
married a Relation of mine in
Ireland; but till I got acquainted
with him in the House of Commons
I did not know of his existence,
I having always thought him a
very vulgar low sort of Man, it
has been my unvarying undea-
-vour to stand aloof from him.

I think you will be of opinion
that were his letters to me to be
published, they w^d. not much
raise him in the world's estimation,
for you have seen the manner in
which

which he represented himself as a
friend of Government.

Yours very Dear friend

Thurs truly

Arthur

23 Oct 1812

Mr. Fox
J. Arthur