

Duchess of Devonshire to H.P.H.

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my dearest Sir, I cannot
refrain from congratulating
your R. H. on the glorious
& happy events which have
taken place, & to which
your own firmness has so
largely contributed — the
gratitude of the French
whom I have seen is expressed
in the warmest terms & by
none more than by Lady
Apsalton — permit me
now my dear Sir to solicit
you once more to express
your kind interest about

Parches of Devonshire to Pitt

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Captain Clifford, & that as
his dear Father received
your R. H. assurance through
me, that you would ever be
his friend, so that you
will now express your
wish that the application
w^{ch} he made to Lord
Melville six weeks ago
to be employed, should
be attended to; Lord
Melville received him
with great civility &
said that he hoped
soon to give him a
Ship, but the rapidity
of events have been such

that unless you my dear
Sir will express a wish
about it, this moment
even if the American War
may end before he can
again have an opportunity
of distinguishing himself -
he is very eager to go &
I entreat of your R. H.
to protect his interests &
his zealous ambition
I do trust to you my dear
Sir & am with unfeigned
attachment your respectful
servant

Eli. Devonshire

London April 14th
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