

hd. Castleburgh G.H.P.H.

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St. James's Square

Wednesday Night

20 March 1816

Lord Castleburgh has the honor to acquaint your
Royal Highness that 2^d Motion brought forward
this evening, a Motion in Terms of Personae
declaring the continuing to the two Secretaries
of the Board of Admiralty their War Salaries in
Time of Peace to be "an Unnecessary Expenditure
of the Public Money" When this Motion not
having to reach the Negative of it in the present
Session of the House, Lord C. after a general
opening of the proposed Official Retirements
now in progress, moved the order of the day
pointing out the Objections to the Motion and
arguing that when the Navy's ^{Civil} Estimates were to be

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voted would be the proper time to reduce
the Salary, if the House should deem a salary
salary than £4000 a year fit and proper.
This led to a long and very warm debate, which
would probably have led to a decision unfavourable
to the Government, if Mr. Brougham had not
made a most violent speech, which disgusted
several Members who would have voted
with the Opposition upon the principle of Economy.

Mr. B.'s speech was replied to with
great spirit and effect by Mr. Pole, who took
up with much animation some most
indecorous insinuations against your Royal
Highness, in which ^{Expenditure} ~~Expenditure~~ ^{Resolves} ~~Resolves~~ recorded by Mr
Bentley, but it is lamentable to state that

withstanding all this, Mr. Joseph and several
others voted in the minority, and although the
vote has for the present been set aside, Lord C.
sees not probability of maintaining the Government
in the Committee of Supply.

The ^{tax} ~~tax~~ ^{having rendered} ~~tax~~
a loan inevitable, and hence being little hope
of carrying the New Death Tax through, your Royal
Highness's Ministers thought it better to add
two millions to the amount of the loan, than to
make perhaps an ineffectual attempt to force
this Tax upon the Government, and upon the Poor,
when the Rich had delivered themselves from the
Property Tax -

Lord C. submits to your Royal Highness
the List of those who spoke

and further
minutes of the
Rt. Hon. Mr. Pitt
Secretary at the
Admiral's House by
Mr. Hoare to be
unnecessary to continue
them as was stated

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Lord Cullenough has to apologize
for omitting to state to your Royal
Highness the numbers on 2^d Motion
Motion The Ages were 130
Boes ——— 159
May — 29

