

Pavilion, Brighton
28th March 1832

Sir

I beg leave to represent to you that I was appointed in 1822 by His late Majesty George the 4th to establish and take charge of a private Dairy at Buckingham House, under the Controul of Sir Samuel Hulse, for the immediate purpose of furnishing His Majesty with fresh Cream and Butter. The Cows were agisted in Buckingham House Garden and St. James's Park - and the grass, beyond what was wanted for their use, was disposed of, by taking in Cattle belonging to Cow-keepers - From the difficulty of obtaining the money from these people, except in small Sums and at uncertain Intervals, the Account was not fully made up until the Dairy was wholly discontinued in 1830. At this time Sir Samuel Hulse endeavoured to get it settled by the Lord Steward of His Majesty's Household - but being altogether a private Concern of His late Majesty's, the Lord Steward could not receive it. The Account has been understood, transmitted to you by Mr. Murrable, Secretary to the Board of Green Cloth - and a Letter written to you by Sir Samuel Hulse - and I presumed that it was in a course of Settlement - Finding however from Sir Samuel Hulse that he has not had the pleasure of receiving any Communication from you, I take the liberty

Liberty

Liberty of making an Application to you on the Subject, as one of the Executors of His late Majesty;

According to the Account already delivered, the Balance was £. 597. 13. 10 — but certain Receipts and Payments were subsequently made by Order of Sir Samuel Hulse, a Statement of which is annexed —

I beg to observe that I have given Credit for all Monies which were and ought to have been paid on account of the Dairy — but that I have not been able to recover a portion of the sums so credited, in consequence of the decease of two of the Cow keepers, and the State of their Affairs. I beg also to observe that I never received any Salary or other Emolument on account of the Dairy, and that the Balance,

except the sum of £. 81. 2. 0, advanced to me by Sir Samuel Hulse, is due to me —

I trust I shall be excused for taking the liberty of adding — that His Majesty George the 3.^d was graciously pleased to take me when a Boy under His especial protection — that I was for many Years in His Majesty's Service as private Accountant &c. that at His said Majesty's decease, all those who were private Servants and paid from the Privy Purse, of whom I was unfortunately one, were considered as unknown to the Government, and consequently excluded from the benefit of the Pensions granted to all warranted Servants by Act of Parliament — and that His late Majesty,

George the 4.th was in consequence graciously pleased to appoint me Gardener at the Pavilion at Brighton — the Salary of which Situation is the only Source of Emolument I now possess.

Having a Wife, and four Children growing up, and my Circumstances so much reduced, the balance of this Account is an Object of most serious importance to me — and if you would have the goodness to put it into a train of early liquidation, you would confer a lasting Obligation on

Sir Your most obed. &c. Servant

R. Smart

To Sir William Knighton

Continuation of Receipts and Payments made on Account of His late Majesty's private Dairy by Richard Smart.

Balance to 10th April 1830 — £. 597. 13. 10

Paid Jacob Bennett, Cowman, from 10th April to 29th May 1830 — 7 Weeks at 16^s — 5. 12. 0

Paid M^{rs} Bennett, Dairy Maid, — 7 weeks at 10^s 6^d — 3. 13. 6

Received of Rob^t Cook for cows sold at Smithfield — £. s. d. 20. 16. 0

D^o M^r Mackell, for old Chain, 41 bu^t. at 7^s — 15. 7. 0

D^o John Barrow, for old Iron Furdles, 91 bu^t. at 5^s 6^d — 25. 0. 6

Balance in favor of Richard Smart — £. 530. 15. 10

deduct — 81. 2. —

£. 457. 13. 10

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Mr. Grant 28. June 1832
St. M. Knighton