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House Guards
July 17th to 1832

General Lord Hill presents his
humble duty to your Majesty, and
has the honour to acknowledge the
receipt of your Majesty's Commands
as conveyed by Lt. General Sir Herbert
Taylor's letter of the 14th Inst.

Lord Hill took upon himself
the performance of the duty of the
Commander in Chief of the Army by
Command of his late Majesty, and
he has continued to discharge
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the same duty under the sanction
of your Majesty, upon the principle
that the Officers of the Army were
to look to him exclusively as the
Channel through which they were to
obtain promotion and the rewards and
honours of the Service, and he entreats
your Majesty to peruse the accompa-
-nying papers which manifest clearly
the System which prevailed in the
time of his predecessors, and that which
it has been his duty to follow.

Two of the papers are extracts
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from Memoranda drawn by Sir Herbert Taylor in 1827 and the third is the Extract of a letter addressed by the Duke of Wellington to his late Majesty in support of his recommendation of Lieut. General Sir Geo. Anson to be Colonel of the 4th Dragoon Guards.

Lord Hill's predecessors, particularly His Royal Highness, the late Duke of York, may at different times have felt a disposition to accommodate the King's Ministers in their official engagements. Lord Hill has felt the same disposition and has as your Majesty knows

knows acted in conformity to it.
He is likewise aware that according
to the usual practice he cannot recom-
mend for certain situations without
previous communication with your
Majesty's Ministers. These situations he
considers to be the Governments of
Portsmouth and Plymouth and of Guernsey
and Jersey. It now however appears
by the letters of Sir Herbert Taylor and the
Duke of Devon that Lord Bell is no longer
to exercise the duties of his Command
as he has hitherto done and as his
Predecessors did; but that he is to
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