

From Mr Burke  
to Lord Southampton  
July 31. 1791

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My Lord,

I beg the favour, that you will present the Copy of  
the Pamphlet, which I have the honour to send, with my  
most respectful & humble Duty to his Royal Highness. I  
hesitate, for some time, whether I ought to take that Liberty.  
The Book, which, by untoward accidents, has rendered this  
appeal necessary to my reputation as a good subject  
this presentation, had been presented to his Royal Highness  
but it was received, in a manner more suitable to the  
of the author, than to the purity of his intentions towards the  
true legal succession of the Crown, & to the solid Liberties of  
the Subject. I should hope, that the intentions of the author  
had been some way mistaken in the representation made to  
his Royal Highness upon the merits of that Book. How-  
ever, upon Reflection, I thought the defence ought the rather  
to be presented, since the work had the great misfortune of not  
being acceptable where perhaps my duty led me the most to wish  
to please. I have the honour to be with the most  
perfect Respect & consideration  
My Lord

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Your Lordships

most obedient

of humble service

Margate July 31. 1791.

Edm Burke