

The Prince of Wales, from
since anxious to prevent a
rupture the consequences of which
ought to be as unpleasant in
respect to the Prince as to
himself, once more proposed the
conditions of future domestic in-
tercourse; The acceptance or
the rejection of which must be
decided & final. The Prince
has the truest disposition &
wish to live in harmony with
the Princess on the principle
already explained in the Letters
which have passed between them.
It would be his desire to render
a Society on that footing as
little disagreeable to her as
possible; but it would be her
own fault if ^{by} resorting to him
by indecous behaviour, if
she did not receive from him
every due mark of attention.
On those terms of friendship he

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would naturally see more of the
Princess. But this profusion is
not to be confined into his binding
himself to a restraint inconsistent
with his natural mode of life
or his position in the Country; &
it must be understood that he can
not mean to limit his power of
going whithersoever his engagements
call him. The Princess is already
in possession of a List of the Ladies
may compose her Parties, & for
daily society, she will be at
entire liberty as she always has
been to select her company at
all times from among the Ladies
of her Household; allowing always
to each of them the regular turn
of duty, and treating them all
with civility. This clause
is inserted upon the supposition
that not any of them can be
capable of any omission in
affinity or failure in the
profoundest respect towards the
Princess. Unless such misbehaviour
can be urged the Princess must

be possible that it should be a
 printed insult to the Princess
 attempting to stigmatize any of
 these Ladies (she had judged the
 safest to attend her. had it that
 conduct applied itself in an
 instance where its effect would be
 to confirm in the eyes of the World
 a gross & scandalous calumny,
 the Princess must see that her
 acquiescence could not be granted
 but at the expense of violating every
 principle
 essential of delicacy, of justice,
 & of honor. That a greater lati-
 tude of civility is not open to the
 Princess, she must know to belong
 solely to the Etiquette attached to
 her Rank. The Restriction has
 never been imposed by the Crown.
 Whatever charge their
 Majesties may at any time be
 disposed to make in that Etiquette
 will never be objected to by the
 Princess; But he must always
 hold himself entitled to expect
 from the discretion of the Princess
 that she shall not receive at
 Court from any Person whom

He may have treated ^{even} the others
individually &rogains to him, or
to their Majesties. The whole
of this engagement must be made
with an honest purpose of adhering
to the true spirit of it; otherwise it
is better that it should be re-
jected at once. The agreement
must preclude forever any
insinuation either by words or actions
against the conduct of the Prince
with regard to the Princess; the
injurious of which insinuation is so
gross that he must never tolerate
any future instance of it, as he
can not assure himself of ever being
said or done a single thing that
could be equitably interpreted harsh
or even unkind towards her.

The Prince requests that this
offer may not be considered open
for any further discussion. It
is his ultimate proposal;
and it must be distinctly
accepted, or distinctly refused.

The Prince of Wales
to
The Council of Wales

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