

Most Honored and Dearest Prince

Sir

Your Royal Highness must have of course long before now have been acquainted with the Dispute in Litigation between me & my Brother as there is nothing on Earth Sir that I value more than your good opinion (which as hitherto I have the vanity to believe that I have fully possessed) I most humbly solicit your Royal Highness to suspend all judgment & opinion untill the Case is decided when I shall take the earliest opportunity of saying before you Sir and some few more friends several Letters that have passed between me & my Brother before I was reduced to the necessity of appealing to the Laws of my country. By those Letters I wish to be judged - your Royal Highness I trust will believe me when I assure you every means have been employed by my Brothers Lawyers to delay this business and to protract it so that I might not be able to gain any favourable decision till next the first term in November thinking that my desires may oblige me to compromise the affair for I would not willingly lay so heavy a charge against a Brother - unfortunately for me in some degree they have effected it. though it will avail my Brother nothing in the end but will only protract it to the ~~protraction~~ <sup>middle</sup> of November by which time Lord Mungton has decreed that the Report shall be made; On the Day that the Trial was to have come

on Both Parties in Court agreed that the case in dispute  
should be referred to the Arbitration of a Master of the Court  
of King's Bench (a Mr Bailey) on condition that Mr Daily  
should meet appoint an immediate meeting and upon  
finding a sum above 300<sup>to me</sup> due to me that it should  
immediately order the prompt pay<sup>ment</sup> of a sum not exceeding  
300<sup>to me</sup> that sum by agreement was specified to be  
wanted to supply my immediate demands the remainder  
and further general sums to be litigated were then to  
stand over till the End of October when all parties were  
to meet for the final decision - Mr Bailey, <sup>the arbitrator appointed</sup> was so kind as  
to fix on this day for the Parties to meet, My Council, Solicitor,  
and my witnesses & self were all present No Soul  
appeared on the part of my Brother Not even his Attorney  
But when sent for said he was not prepared that My  
Brother was out of town, that his agent Timothy Brent Esq  
was also out of town, and that <sup>his</sup> witnesses he should  
call were not ready. The Arbitrator Mr Daily then said  
that he would give us a meeting next Saturday evening  
The Attorney said My Brother could not come to town so soon  
nor could he find others that were wanting to appear that  
time; but what is more unfortunate for me is that all the  
Judges <sup>of the King's Bench</sup> after this week will not be in town all the summer  
they being gone on the Circuit & then retired to their  
Country houses; and as it is necessary for the Principal  
evidences to be sworn before one of them, the whole must  
now be putt off till the very latter End of October  
I thus see do not only my Pretensions but fortune combine to  
keep me for near three months <sup>longer</sup> in suspense & misery  
I can not help mentioning to you Royal Highness that  
my Brother had the audacity to offer me 300<sup>in one of his letters</sup> provided  
I would give him an acknowledgment under my hand  
that I had no further demand on him whatsoever I rejected it  
with contempt, for in giving such an acknowledgment  
I must have owned my self to have been a villain &  
to have made a false demand on him Shortly afterwards  
I sent my worthy friend Col McMahon (whom

your Royal Highness well knows to my Brother  
 to inform him of my present wants and requesting  
 him to lett me have the 300£ that he said he had  
 ready for me but not on the terms he <sup>had</sup> required of  
 me, but to lett me have it on account of that it should  
 go to the general account on the final Settlement my  
 Brother refused for Mr Mahon and had the affronting  
 again to tell him that he could not ~~give~~ <sup>lett</sup> me have  
 that sum unless I acknowledged under my hand that  
 I had no further demands on him whatever although  
 he was at the same time told that of my distressed situation  
 and that by the middle of July I must pay some debts  
 to the amount of about 200 or be fixed in Judgment  
 attended with great expence all this he was informed of  
 but ~~did~~ <sup>would do</sup> nothing - So mention to your Royal Highness  
 the Particulars of my situation for these six weeks past  
 would be only grieving a heart that I know to be so  
 sensible. ~~It~~ <sup>It</sup> all and so truly feeling for all affliction.  
 It is sufficient to say that I have been shutt up in  
 the house of a friend in London for three weeks  
 not being able to retire in to the country at a distance  
 not having had the command of a Guinea - I have  
 not a second coat to my back nor any Linen but  
 what I took with me as all my Cloaths Linen &c  
 have been seized and will soon be sold. It is absolutely  
 necessary that I should retire for a time at a distance  
 in to the country but I have not the means here  
 to supply the necessities of life upon my sacred word  
 of honor it is true nor do I have any means of  
 acquiring it In my absence my creditors will take  
 a security by agreement on the Arbitration and all  
 will go well my India Recruiting business will  
 begin again also in November but till then

I solemnly declare I have no means of existing  
I must possess few things before I can leave the town  
and must have a small sum to retire on I throw  
myself on your Royal Highness' bounty and on  
that protection which I hope I have not yett done  
any thing to induce you to withdraw your kindness  
from me and if you see will be graciously pleas'd  
to afford me the Loan of One Hundred Pounds till  
the ~~the~~ Decision takes place in November I will  
most honorably & most humbly <sup>both</sup> lay my ~~self~~ <sup>self</sup> ~~with~~ and  
the money before your Royal Highness and with  
every submission attachment & respect return  
you my gratefull thanks for so signal a relief  
in so distressed a situation that sum will pay  
some few things that are absolutely necessary  
and will support me to the time of Decision

I remain Sir with the most perfect  
Respect your Royal Highness  
most Dutifull most Attached most  
Faithfull humb<sup>l</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>  
George Hanger

London August 10: 1737

If your Royal Highness graciously should  
condescend me a Reply be pleas'd Sir  
to lett my Letter be enclosed ~~under~~ under  
Cover to Cap<sup>t</sup> Suck No 3 Stangate Lambeth  
Surry