

Ld. Mavor to Col. McKelown

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My Dear General

The bearer, Mr Macartney,  
has been making his way up to London, by  
giving exhibitions of singing & recitation  
in the manner of Vitti. Some Gentlemen  
who had heard him, & believed him to be  
in Distress, recommended him, & we have  
had a Representation before the Ladies  
here. Mr Macartney's object is to get engaged

at one of the London Theatres. His voice is really  
very good; and I think he would be found an  
excellent Performer in Musical Pieces. In speak-  
ing, his articulation & enunciation are  
such as give fair promise of him for an Actor.  
Tho' I know no more of him than I have men-  
tioned, I cannot refuse to give him this let-  
ter, because I believe it to be an act of  
Charity: But the extent of my regret is only  
that you would put him in the way of making

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His application to some of the managers  
in such a line as may procure him an equi-  
table hearing. With Sheridan you could pos-  
sibly do it easily; but then I fancy the  
House would find it requisite to be at  
occasionally, & it is said the Navy Com-  
missioners are at times rather left to their  
own devices. I know you have had negotiations about  
boxes &c at the Theatre; therefore I do  
not fear to embarrass you by this recommendation.

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-ation: bid a man who does not know how to  
address himself to the managers may at the  
outset take some false step that would pre-  
-vent his talents from ever after having  
equitable consideration.

Believe me faithfully

Theresa

Lord Charnock  
Nov 21 1799

Charles M. Johnson