

Very Rev. Cyril Jackson B.A. R.H.

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Sir,

I never have the Honour of receiving a Command from your Royal Highness without receiving at the same time a fresh proof of that uniform kindness & delicacy with which you condescend to treat me - and the permission with you are in all cases so gracious as to allow me of entering into an explanation with your Royal Highness is perhaps of all marks of your favour the one on which I set the highest value -

I will not therefore content myself with saying simply to your Royal Highness, what I might very truly say, that altho' there are certainly vacancies this year among the Studentships of Christ Church, there are none however the disposal of which falls to my lot, but I will presume to trespass on your Royal Highness a little farther - To confess the truth honestly to your Royal Highness, I feel a little indignation that Mr. Percy & his Son sh<sup>d</sup>. have presumed to apply to the Prince of Wales on such an occasion, without at the same time fully & fairly stating the circumstances of the case - because I am not per-



frothy convinced, that if yr. Royal Highness had  
 known those circumstances, their application  
 wd. have been at once rejected - I am perfectly  
 convinced, from the long experience wd. I have  
 had of the mind of yr. Royal Highness, that  
 if you had been fairly informed, that I had,  
 near three weeks ago, presumptuously refus'd to  
 admit Mr. Percy's son as a Member of Christ-  
 Church in any way or on any footing whatever,  
 no solicitations wd. have prevail'd wth your Royal  
 Highness to honour him wth your recommen-  
 dation -

I cannot trouble yr. Royal Highness wth  
 a detail about Schools of School Boys - nor  
 am I at all mov'd, so far as concerns myself,  
 by the unhandsome & illiberal attempt to distress  
 me, after my positive refusal, by the recommen-  
 dation of yr. Royal Highness - but I am in-  
 tuitively very much mov'd & very much pleas'd  
 at the total want of respect wth Mr. Percy  
 has shewn to your Royal Highness in this  
 affair - but as to myself, I know that I run  
 no risque of displeasing your Royal Highness.



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if I humbly represent, that it is of serious consequence to Westm<sup>r</sup>. School, to Christ Church of myself that my original refusal sh<sup>d</sup>. be persisted in - & I venture to assure myself that your Royal Highness will suppose me to have had sufficient reason for giving that refusal -

The simple matter of fact, Sir, is this. The Boy was elected to Cambridge - He very unwisely renounced his Election, & applied to me to be admitted a Commoner of Christ Church - He was peremptorily refus'd - & his Father, concealing this circumstance, presumed to solicit the protection of your Royal Highness - The same trick of concealment was attempted by him here, during my absence, but without success -

I am, Sir, & must be always, with every sentiment of gratitude & respect,

Y<sup>r</sup>. Royal Highness's most dutiful  
and most devoted Serv<sup>t</sup>.

Christ Church.

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*[Faint, illegible cursive handwriting on a folded piece of paper]*

*Dr Jackson*  
*June 10. 1801*

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