

Marq. Lansdown to ? Capt Charles Palmer,
23. Aug. 1803.

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Bowood Park
23^d August 1803

Dear Palmer

I should be proud and happy to execute any commands of the Prince however conveyed, but I must submit, that I have very great doubts, of the propriety of committing my own name in the present moment, much more than of His Royal Highness, without which there would not be the smallest possible hope of success. Besides all this I find that neither release nor exchange remains with the Minister of the foreign department, but with the Minister of War, of whom I have not the slightest knowledge nor of any of his connections. But the matter shall not be off my mind, and if any means shall unexpectedly offer, of carrying the Prince's wishes into execution, I will not fail to avail myself of them, or at any rate to submit what may occur to me upon the subject.

I am
Very sincerely Y^r
Lansdown

General Post
25 August 1803

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Dear Madam

I have the honor to receive your letter of the 21st inst. in relation to the property of the late Sir John Lubbock, Bart. &c. &c. which I have the pleasure to inform you is now in the hands of the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Madam, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John Lubbock