

Ed. Moore to Col. McKeown.

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Dublin, Nov 14th 1803

My Dear General

By today's Post, I send
to the Prince a Letter about Col. Grey, which
will be a Voucher for His Royal Highness's
recommendation of him. The order is not
yet arrived. I go on upon excellent terms
with all hopes & descriptions here, but
I have not beyond measure, as it is im-
-posed I can remedy all our affairs & re-
-spect & I am of course supplied with af-

ld.
-plications for every quarter. That you tell
re of the expected union of the Civil & Military
Power of Ireland in the person of D. Cathcart is
very probable. It would afford a most intelligible
comment upon my appointment, the intention
of which has from the outset been my opinion
-vocal. In the Military Light alone, a de-
-ided preference was given to D. Cathcart.
For he was sent to command a such were
ample force; in a Quarter were the object of
attack, & thence were honorable; with allowances

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greatly superior to mine notwithstanding the
difference of an Army rank. Without depreci-
ating the services of D. Cathcart, past years
did not give him the opportunity of exert-
ing himself so much as they would have
to do: therefore I cannot be flattered when I
am placed in a professional station second-
ary to his. Were the Lieutenancy to be also
granted to him, it would be a distinction which
would render my present situation degrading.
In truth, there is nobody that would not put

upon the matter this construction, that I was
 not better wily to be seen by being on other
 the employment but a marked object of ministerial
 respect. I wish Henry to know that I was not
 the dupe of the courtesy which his new friends
 affected towards me before my departure. I put
 their smiles with smiles & their bows with bows,
 but it was always with a reservation of conf-
 -dence & a determination to guard myself
 against implied connection till I should have
 better proof of their real dispositions. I am
 I doubt these dispositions precisely.

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Very faithfully yours
 Charles M. ...