

Ld. Moura to Col. McCracken

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Dunburgh, Dec 19th 1803

My Dear General

After shuffling about
the £500 bill makes no fear still now they
he will not repay the sum he has advanced
by me out of which you were to make pro-
-vision for Hester. Have the kindness there-
-fore to send for James / No 1, Albany Place
Piccadilly / whom I have desired to confer
with you on the business of the Eschequer

I do sincerely suspect / but do not hint at
it / that there has been collusion be-
-tween McCarthy & Doyle for temporary con-
-venience about these bills. And that
they have been cashed for their ac-
-modation whilst we were told they could
not be discounted. I cannot comprehend
to what the enclosed alludes if it be
not to a bill which McCarthy professes
never was discounted, as Hester will ex-

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plain to you from a letter which I
enclosed to him. Do make haste en-
quire into this.

They have at last found out at the
House Guards that it would look awk-
ward to refer to the Allowance
for a Secretary when they had given
it over to Type: so they have offered
it if I will apply for it. As I can-
not accept it on the footing of Compliments

it will not do now to make a license of it
Of course, it makes no opening for D. Velin.
Indeed, an efficient secretary to copy & keep
Papers in Order would be a material aid.

Sutton did think of taking a House here for
a winter for the education of his Daughters
If it would suit him, he would suit us. There-
fore I have written to word whether he can
-tinues the scheme, & whether in that case
he would wish such an evocation.

Adieu. I lead the duller & most slavish
of lives: but I do my business & please the People,
which is always a comfortable consciousness.]