

H. R. H. Lord Chancellor
Draft of following

The Prince of Wales has received the communication made to him by the Lord Chancellor on the 23^d of June.

The Prince desires the Lord Chancellor to lay before the King's Ministers the inclosed Papers containing the former and further questions that have been put by the Prince to His Majesty's Physicians with their written answers; from whence it will appear that the Prince had not misunderstood that essential Fact on which alone His observations were grounded, that His Majesty, while exercising the Regal Functions, was still under control of servants, introduced since His Majesty's Illness into His Service by Doctor Simmons.

The Prince has nothing to add to the solemn Protest communicated by Him to the Lord Chancellor on the 19th of June for the Information of His Majesty's Ministers, of which in their answer of the 23^d of June, they have thought proper to take no notice.

But the Prince ^{make some} must observe on the last Paragraph of that answer

answer, in which the Lord Chan-
 =cellor, adverting to the Prince's having
 intimated that previous to the 30th
 of May He had received no official
 communication on the important
 Subject of His Letter, mentions, ^{that} ~~that~~
 in addition to the Communications
 personally made by M^r Addington
 it was directed that the Prince should receive a
~~the~~ daily Communications of the
 State of ^{His Majesty's} ~~the King's~~ Health, ~~which it~~
~~had been directed~~ ^{the Prince} ~~should~~ ^{receive by the} ~~be made~~
 by the ^{daily} personal attendance of some
 of His Majesty's Physicians on the
 Prince, ~~and~~ which had been discon-
 =tinued, only with the Prince's appro-
 =bation. — The Lord Chancellor well
 knows that the above Communications
 all took Place previous to the Time
 when, after a long Suspension, the Lord
 Chancellor deemed it fitting for him
 to receive His Majesty's Commands for
 putting the great Seal to a Commission
 for passing Acts of Parliament.
 From which Circumstance the
 Prince could not but conclude
 that His Majesty was then perfectly
 recovered, and consequently when
 the Physicians proposed to the Prince
 to discontinue their attendance, He

↳ acquiesced, and could no longer think it necessary
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to trouble them.
 The Lord Chancellor must there-
 =fore have been aware that the
 Prince

Prince's Complaint of want of
 official communication previous
 to the 30th of May, could only relate
 to the State of Health His Majesty
 had been in, and the Treatment He
 had been under, subsequent to the
 Time when the Lord Chancellor had
 thought the King in a proper Situation
 to perform the most important Acts
 of Regal Power; during which Time,
^{to the 30th of May}
 a Space of Ten Weeks, it does not
 appear that the Physicians were
 ever once directed to renew their
 attendance ^{on the Prince}, notwithstanding ~~that~~
~~times~~ ^{they had} constantly attended His
 Majesty, and that so late as the
 31st of May, mention is made in
 their Report, of Symptoms still
 remaining, which made them appre-
 = hensive of a Relapse, of Ideas, re-
 = quiring His Majesty's Correction, which
 occasionally shewed themselves in
 His less guarded Moments, of their
 not being able conscientiously to
 pronounce His Majesty out of
 Danger of a Relapse, till those
 Symptoms no longer existed, of
 the absolute Necessity of His Majesty's
 still conforming to medical Guidance,
 and in their Report of the 5th of June
 of Deviations from the King's natural
 Manner which altho' wearing off
 did ~~then~~ occasionally shew them-
 = selves, and of medical attendance
 being

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being then still expedient, both as a security against a Relapse and as a means to perfect His Recovery. And during all this Time it appears that the King's Person has been kept under the Control of Doctor Simmons and his attendants without any official Communication having been made to the Prince of so extraordinary a Circumstance as a King of England whilst ^{exercising} His Regal Powers being kept under any Personal Restraint.

The Prince is happy in the Hope given by the Physicians that His Majesty is fast advancing toward a complete Recovery. But it is impossible for the Prince to indulge in the belief that His Majesty is well, while so so contradictory a Circumstance as that of keeping Him under the Control of Doctor Simmons and His attendants exists, ~~which~~ the Prince understands to be still the Case. Which Treatment, if the King is not well His Majesty's Ministers can have no authority to direct especially without any consent obtained from the Prince; and for which, if the King is well, there can be no Pretence.

The Prince therefore in either Case renews His ~~most~~ solemn Protest against a Procedure so unconstitutional and so deeply affecting ^{the most essential} His dearest Interests and ~~those~~ of the Country

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