

Ld. Kooru to Col. Tec Kaho-w

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My Dear General

In prospect of rendering
my services to the Prince would make me
gladly undertake a voyage to China.
But when you tell me that he thinks
of presence in London early next month
may be essential for him, let the quest-

tion of my repairing to London just now be
well weighed. Should I appear there &
no interview with the King be proposed
it will have all the air of a disappoint-
ment for the Prince, & will not fail to
be construed into the defeat of a specula-
tion. It is therefore to be desired that the
ground should be well ascertained before
he moves on. If it be true that the

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His Majesty expresses a desire to converse with
me on the subject, His Majesty will nat-
urally desire that I shall be instruc-
ed to come to town: In which case there
would be so much of enjoyment that
he could not then avoid honoring me
with an audience, so that the latter would
at least be dispensed. If it then come
to nothing (which I do not think likely)

There would be no awkward appearance for
the Prince. Otherwise, I think there is hardly
of his construction. I have peculiar reasons
for believing that had His Royal Highness
been able to see the King before, ^{London} ^{March} ²¹ ¹⁸⁰⁷ ^{and}
had found the meeting such an awkward
than he was thought to expect.

After my most affectionate duty to the Prince
& believe me my Dear friend ever
Yours faithfully
Charles Fox