

Col. Gordon to Col MacMahon
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Dear MacMahon,

Allow me to put you
in possession of what I conceive to be
the personal character of my friend Lord
M^r. - he is a man of very considerable
ambition, but of that pride which would
prevent him from applying for em-
ployment, though it would much hurt
and mortify him if he was passed
over: - he is much attached to the Prince,
has shown it upon all occasions, and
it would undoubtedly gratify him to
find himself noticed, as much as it
would disappoint & grieve him to
find himself passed by: - his family

also have expectations that the Prince
would condescend to honor Lord M. with
public notice:—

In these hints, I can
swear you will see no other motive in
me than a wish which I have from
the very bottom of my heart, arising from
recollection of antient bondage for a
long series of years, that the Prince
should be surrounded & supported by
those men whose characters would reflect
lustre upon His Government.

Ever yours most truly
& affly

W. Wood