

Duke of York  
8<sup>th</sup> August 1789

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Sir

I have this instant received the  
Letter which Your Majesty was so gracious as to write to me  
I shall lose no time in transmitting the one You was  
so gracious as to incline to be to Your Minister Monsieur  
de Busche, I am rejoiced to hear that Your Majesty  
is so pleased with Your visit at the Marquis, and am thoroughly  
convinced that whatever part of Your Dominions Your Majesty  
shall think proper to visit You will ever be received with  
the Cheerest, and most sincere proofs of affection and Loyalty  
of Your Subjects, which it is impossible to judge of, by the  
Dusky sables of the Whigs of London and Westminster, May I

entreat You, Sir, to give my duty to the Queen, I am, Sir  
Your Majesty's

Dalhousie August 31

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Most dutiful son  
and subject

Frederick

The Duke of York

AA. (? Nov. 4)

[? Autumn 1788]

to  
The Prince of Wales

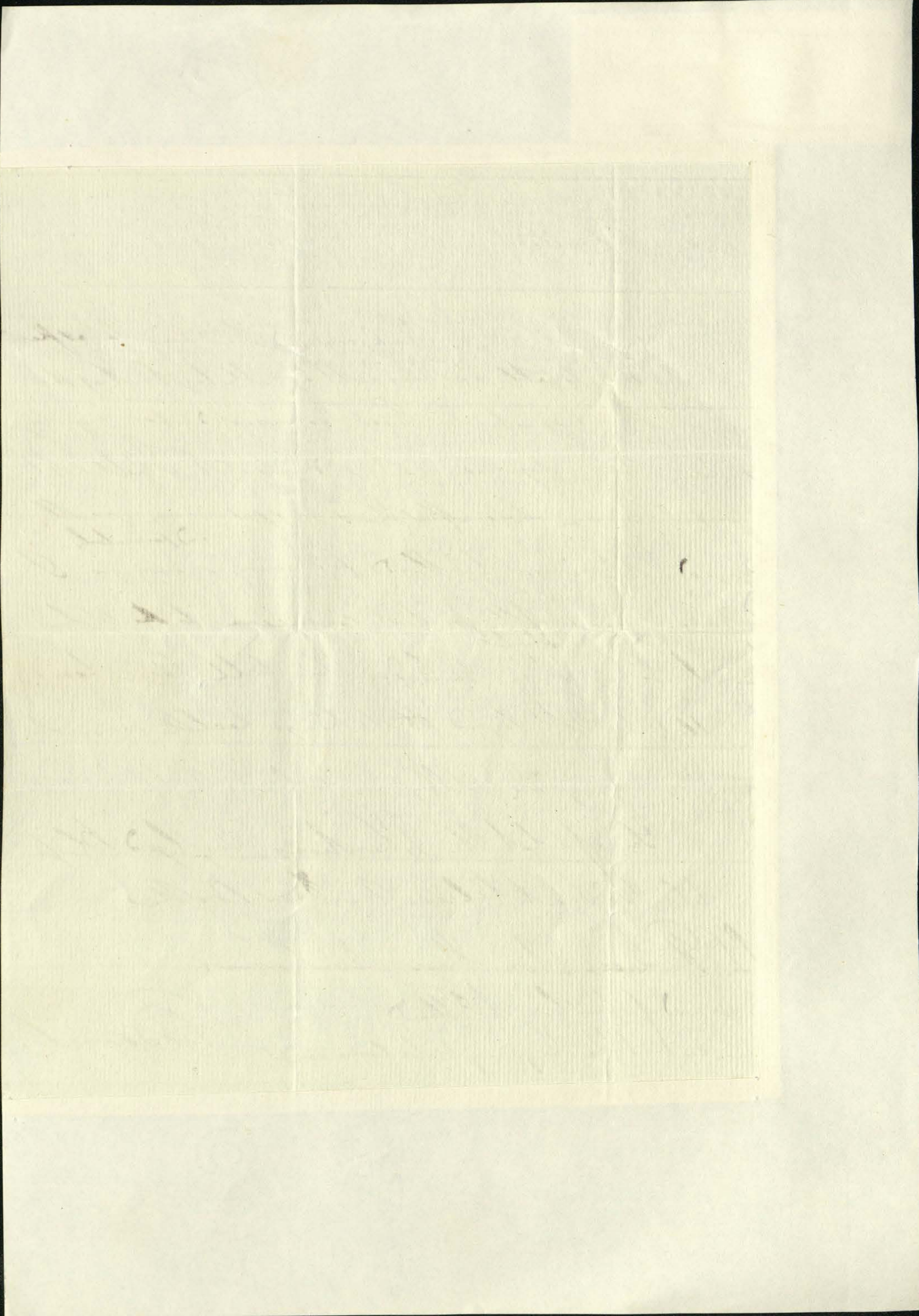
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Dearest Brother

I have received your kind letter full  
 as the letter to talk and have written all together of the  
 most like this moment, the Queen has insisted upon my staying  
 her like your Majesty's go to bed so that I will not be  
 able to do it. I am well after that matter, I am greatly  
 obliged that you are at Bath for every reason as I  
 have many things of the greatest consequence to the whole  
 family to say to your Majesty. You will have heard  
 I called on, with regard to the King's health I am not  
 sure you are good intelligence, when I see you I will  
 inform you of what the Physicians say God bless  
 you all with best Beliefs in Dear Brother

I. The Queen whom I have just now  
 informed of your being at Bath  
 thinks that she may very well come over  
 here by the tomorrow morning

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The Duke of York  
to  
The Prince of Wales

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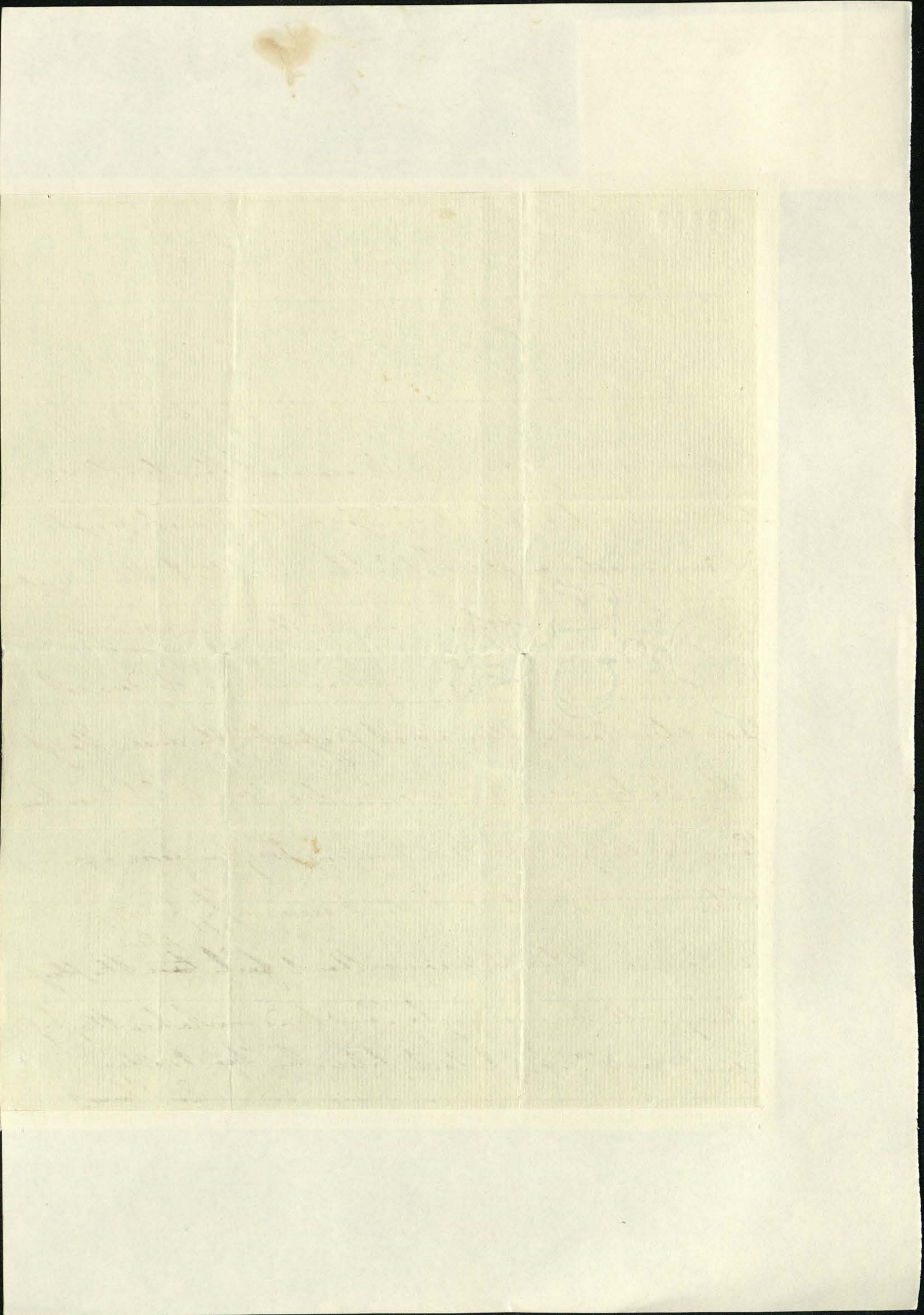
[9 Sep. 25 1788]

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Dear Brother

I write You these few lines by  
the Queens desire to beg You will acquaint Your Gentlemen  
that there is to be a ball at Windsor on the Princess Royal's  
birthday or rather on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, and that their Majesties  
will be there all there. Lord Ailesbury has orders to  
send invitations to everyone of them but as he does not  
know where each of them are at present, the Queen thought  
it the shortest way to make her beg You to let them know.  
Louis has brought me this morning my uniform according  
to Your direction which I think exceedingly pretty. Adieu  
till Saturday when I hear without fail <sup>to hear</sup> the pleasure  
of being with You according to Your kind invitation. My best  
respects to all Mrs. Fitzherbert, believe me, Dear Brother

Your Obedient  
Frederick



From Bro: of Wales  
Sept: 27 1788

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My dear Brother,

I have receiv'd yr. kind Letter & shall most certainly obey with the greatest pleasure the Queen's commands, indeed it was always my intention to have been at Windsor tomorrow Evening & I should have been there the beginning of this week owing to the reports concerning poor dear Elizabeth wh. have alarm'd me very much, had I not been prevented by a violent bilious attack wh. confin'd me to my Bed for eight & forty Hours, thank God I am better now, tho' still very weak

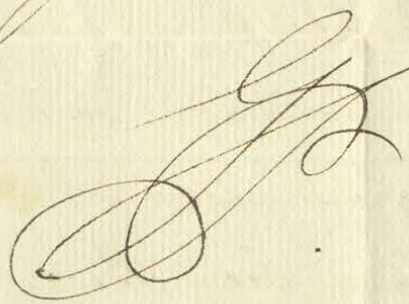
& nervous. They will be in Town by the Coach time enough  
for any orders you may have for him, & now God Bless  
you I really am so weak I can hardly write, I  
remain my dearest Frederick,

over most affectionately

Brighton.

Sept. 27. 1788.

Your Brother





Mr. Rose

Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 1788.

43900

Primes in Nova Scotia

Sir

I am directed by Mr. Pitt to acquaint You  
that the Attorney General will be glad to see You  
respecting a Description of the Grant to be made  
to His Royal Highness the Duke of York.

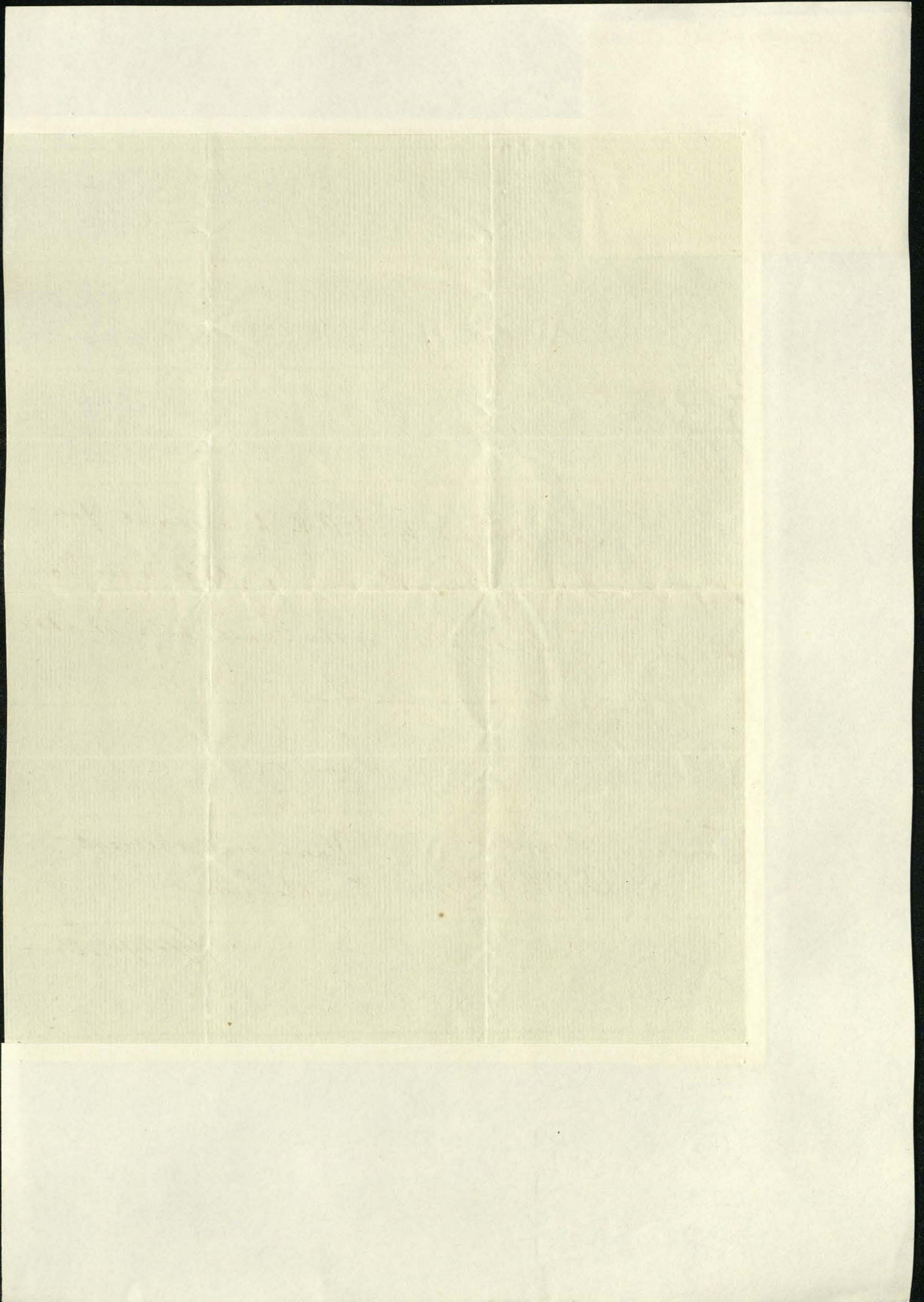
I am  
Sir

Treasury Chambers

Oct: 14. 1788.

Your most obedient  
Lumbl<sup>e</sup> Servant

George Rose



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Cathart October 24<sup>th</sup> 1788

Dearest Brother

I am exceedingly happy to  
 hear the pleasure of acquainting you that I saw the King  
 this morning and that I think you getting well very fast.  
 Dr. Baker has confessed to me that this was no return  
 of the Spasme which he had in the beginning of the  
 Summer, but a rheumatic attack in his Nerve, owing to  
 his having sustained the whole day with his feet wet,  
 and that with a common degree of precaution he will  
 not be liable to it again. As I do not mean to come  
 to town before the middle or end of the next week  
 I shall not, I am afraid, have the pleasure to see you  
 before Augustus's Birthday, Pray give my love and  
 respects to M<sup>rs</sup> Catherin, God bless you believe me  
 ever yours most affectionately  
 Frederick

The Duke of York

To

The Prince of Wales

Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> 1700.

43904

Dearest Brother

I think it right to inform You that having called at Mrs's, and been informed that the King was not well enough to come to have the Work for the Library and Drawing Room, I immediately came here, I found them with respect to the Rheumatic Complaint certainly better, though still very weak, but it appears now as if every thing has thrown itself upon the nerves which has given them a very violent degree of agitation which nothing but rest and quiet will remove, I can not help adding that the Spoke with the tears in his eyes <sup>and with the greatest affection</sup> concerning <sup>you said</sup> how happy you had made them by coming to see them. God bless You, I hope You have had good Sports and great success, Believe me Dearest Brother

Madras October 29

1788

Yours affectionately  
Frederick

*The Duke of York*

*to*

*The Prince of Wales*

*Oct 29. 1700.*

The Duke of York  
to  
The Prince of Wales

Nov. 1. 1788.

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Dear Brother

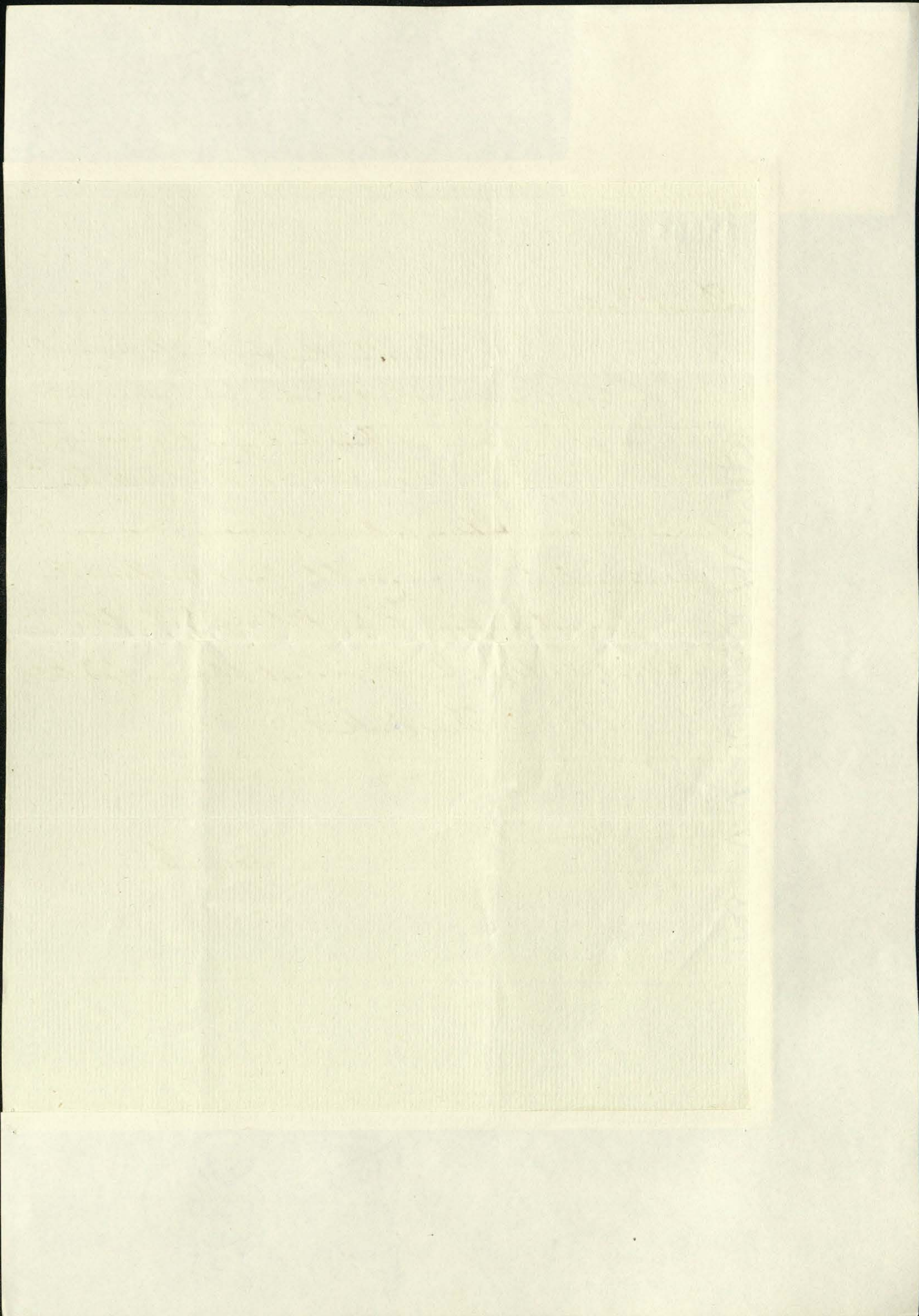
I send you these few lines to acquaint  
you that Sir George Baker is not yet returned from Windsor, and  
therefore I can give you no account how the King is this morning  
by a letter which Bude wrote to me late last night. The King  
continued the same, & when he goes tomorrow morning to  
St. James and will I am immediately know how I find His  
Majesty. It is not necessary to say that I am like to  
come to Ireland it will give me the greatest pleasure, God bless  
you believe me ever Dear Brother

Your most affectionately

Edmund Newcomb

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The Prince of Wales  
No. 2000 1789

My dear Mr. Frederick.

I am so anxious if I should be required  
for you to speak in the course of this day's debate  
that you should acquit yourself well. I am confident  
you will, with the same credit as you did the last  
time, that I can not help troubling you with a  
few lines, to venture a few trifling ideas of my  
own, which perhaps in the hurry of the day, might  
not otherwise occur to your mind.

My particular wish is that you should  
be as short, concise, & pointed in your language  
as possible, to be careful not to be in a hurry, &

& to ~~be~~ speak the Law, in a strong tone of Voice,  
 as well as with a degree of emphasis, to make People  
 remark y<sup>t</sup>. you feel what you are saying, & to  
be particularly pointed & to lay the strongest stress,  
 if you think it advisable to say (wh. I suppose  
 I sh<sup>d</sup>. were I in yr. place) "Why it was a  
 " point y<sup>t</sup>. it appear'd absolutely necessary for  
 " the Minister or Ministers who had fix'd not only  
 " the Council for the Queen, but who must alw<sup>ys</sup>  
 " y<sup>t</sup>. the sole care of the R<sup>y</sup>. Person sh<sup>d</sup>. be  
 " vested in the Q., why I say it was a point  
 " absolutely necessary for you, either for any  
 " or to propose, y<sup>t</sup>. thro' there were so many & very  
 " near Relations of St. M<sup>y</sup>: who were honor'd with  
 " a seat in y<sup>t</sup>. House, y<sup>t</sup>. y<sup>t</sup>. not only you, but

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" absolutely no one Individual of the Royal Family  
 " were to be concerned in yr. Charge, with His Majesty  
 " who certainly from affection as well as yr. due  
 " ties of Relationship, must have as great, &  
 " as strong concerns in the personal welfare &  
 " care of the R. g. as those who were to be joined  
 " with His Majesty in yr. important Trust as  
 " His Council; & yr. therefore the whole family  
 " & yr. you wd. speak for yourself in particular  
 " as an Individual, & the World in general  
 " wd. not nor wd. not consider this great  
 " & <sup>unfounded</sup> flight of the Ministry to the whole Royal  
 " Family otherwise than originating from an  
 " unfounded <sup>jealousy</sup> ~~jealousy~~ owing to <sup>love</sup> the tender ties  
 " by wh. they are all most dutifully & affectionately  
 " bound to His Majesty". Yr. own sentiments

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then sh. you mention'd this Morn'g w<sup>d</sup>. follow  
 well, respecting, ~~to~~ <sup>my</sup> impossibility in the present  
 case as propos'd by yr. Ministers, for any of the  
 Family, & yourself in particular, who on every account  
 was most ~~affectionately~~ <sup>affectionately</sup> attach'd to a ~~most affectionate~~ <sup>kind</sup>  
 Parent, to receive yr. exact intelligence of the  
 King's Health, wh. it is not only their anxious  
 wish, but their Right to expect. Forgive me  
 my dearest Brother for thus troubling You, but  
 really my anxiety originating from the tender  
 affection I ever ~~shall~~ <sup>have</sup> felt for You, w<sup>d</sup>.  
 not allow me to be silent, when I thought  
 yr. any thing yr. I c<sup>d</sup>. suggest w<sup>d</sup>. be of  
 service to You. I think if you speak to  
 this subject it will make an amazing impression.  
 Pray dont turn not lose this Letter. I send me  
 word instantly when you have spoke as I am in agony & upon  
 these I shall hear how you have acquitted yourself, pray send me from time  
 to time how things are going on. — ever affectionately yrs &c

Copy of a  
note from Pr. of  
Wales - no date  
probably - March 17<sup>th</sup> 1769

43909

The Prince of Wales ~~of~~  
~~Delaney of the~~, has deemed it absolutely  
necessary, not choosing to act upon His own authority  
to convince His Majesty's Confidential Servants  
that they being enquir'd ~~of the~~  
~~is~~ ~~into~~ ~~the~~ ~~exact~~ ~~state~~ of His Majesty's  
unfortunate and melancholy situation of his  
Physicians; as well as into the propriety  
of removing His Majesty to New, such a proposal  
~~being~~ <sup>having</sup> been laid before His Royal Highness  
by <sup>His</sup> ~~the~~ Physicians not only as proper but as  
absolutely necessary for <sup>the</sup> ~~his~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~restoration~~ <sup>reestablishment</sup> of his  
Health.

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Duke of York

23<sup>rd</sup> May 1789

43910

Whitehall May 23. 1789

Sir

I should not now have ventured to  
trouble you upon Your Majesty's business or have troubled you upon  
the subject of my own private affairs, if I did not think it what  
I owe both to myself and to my Brother William, at this instant  
that His Establishment is to be settled, to lay before Your Majesty  
the real state of our situation. The allowance, Sir, which you  
have made for us from your civil list, though more liberal  
than we could have expected on account of the number of our  
Brothers who certainly have an equal right to share Your  
Majesty's favours with us, yet is by no means adequate to the  
necessary expences which our situation in life obliges us to  
incure. As for myself having had the good fortune through  
Your Majesty's personal care of my revenues in Germany, to find  
a large sum of money saved, I have as yet been able to keep  
myself out of debt. But having already experienced the  
unavoidable expences which belong to my situation, I think  
it equally a duty I owe to Your Majesty and myself respectfully  
to apprise you, Sir, that I find it utterly impossible to

avoid the blame of involving myself in a situation the most  
repugnant to my own feelings as well as to Your Majesty's  
wishes, I shew that of contracting debts. Upon a former  
occasion Your Majesty was pleased to admit in a great  
degree the inadequacy of my income, and was graciously  
pleased to say that although no addition could be expected from  
the Civil list, yet that should Parliament think fit  
to grant a further allowance the proposition should meet  
with Your Majesty's royal approbation. Under the present  
circumstances however I can not think of applying to  
any one but Your Majesty, persuaded, that should the  
idea still continue to prevail with Your royal concurrence  
the proper steps will be taken under Your Majesty's  
authority.

Yours Son

Your Majesty's

Most dutiful Son  
and Subject

Fredrick

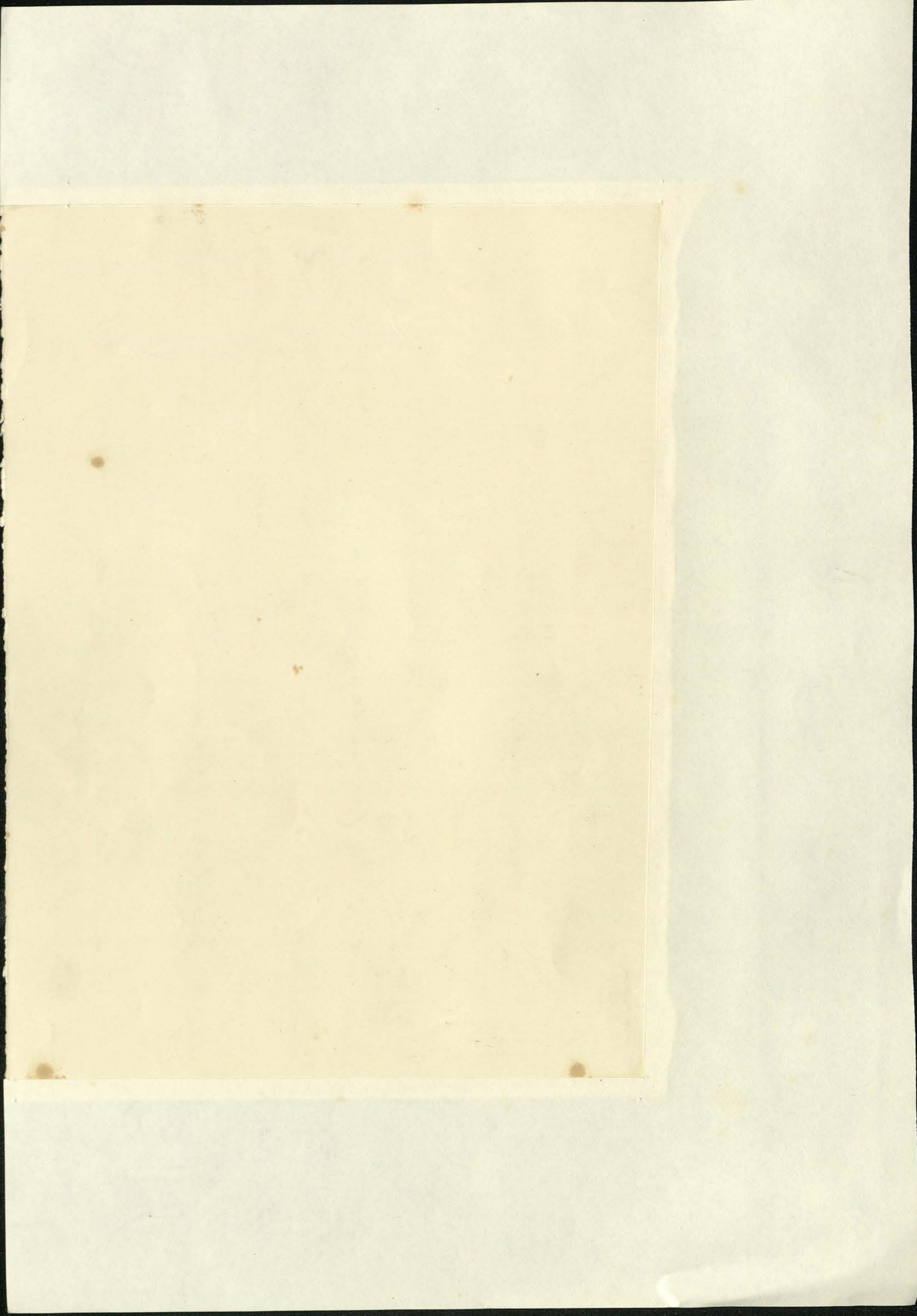


Hon. Robert Mar. Sharn-Townshend.  
Notes on preceding letter made in 1896

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"Lennox" was Colonel Charles Lennox, afterwards  
4. Duke of Richmond, with whom the Duke of York  
had fought a duel. May 26. 1789, four days before the  
date of this letter. See the Annual Register for 1789,  
page 208 of the Chronicle. Lord "Sidney" was Thomas  
Townshend, created Baron Sydney March 6. 1783, and  
advanced to a Viscountcy June 9. 1789, curiously enough  
only a few days after the Prince of Wales had written  
about him thus to the Duke of York.

I bought this letter of Messrs. Bross. November 6. 1896, and  
as it was very fragile, mended it with tulle. N. Marsham-Townshend  
Nov. 11. 1896.



Hisk. H. the Duke of York.

London 12<sup>th</sup> June 1789.

43913

Sir

Having informed Your Majesty  
when I had the honor to pay my duty to You at New  
the day before yesterday, of what the Officers of  
the Regiment intended to do upon being acquainted  
with Lieutenant Colonel Leeson's intention of leaving  
the Regiment. I think it right to take the earliest  
opportunity to report to Your Majesty, that just  
as we arrived upon the ground upon Sedan on Monday  
yesterday morning, I received an express <sup>from</sup> Lieutenant  
Colonel Leeson desiring me to sign his requisition  
to exchange with Lord Mathews, which I accordingly  
did and sent it back directly so that should Your  
Majesty be graciously pleased to approve of this  
exchange, the whole of this disagreeable affair will  
be over.

STRATHHAVEN

The Officers who were present at the review  
of the Coldstream yesterday were so good as to appear  
very much of the appearance of the Regiment. It  
would have given me the highest delight had I  
had the Honor and the Happiness of exercising them before  
Your Majesty. I am Sir,

London June 12.  
1709

Your Majesty's

Most dutiful Son  
and Subject

Frederick

Mines in Nova Scotia

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Journy Book. June 28. 1789

Mr. Pitts Letter  
to General Grenville

Dear Sir of date above July 23. 1789.

I received the favor of your  
Letter enclosing by order of His Royal  
Highness The Duke of York, a Paper respecting  
the Grant proposed to be made to His Royal  
Highness of some supposed Silver Mines in  
Nova Scotia. I am much concerned to  
find that His Royal Highness considers  
the Terms of the Grant as different from  
those which He understood to be agreed upon  
and as likely to render His Majesty's Intention

about me. I must beg you to assure His  
Royal Highness that I never conceived from  
any thing which passed on the subject, that  
the Grant was expected to be to His Royal  
Highness and His Heirs for ever, but I always  
considered it as meant to be granted  
personally to His Royal Highness. According  
to my recollection of what I had the  
honour of stating, when His Royal Highness  
suggested the Reservation of One Tenth Part,  
It was that such a Reservation appeared very  
reasonable in the first Instance, but that  
if the Profits should be considerable, it  
might be thought right that the Proportion  
reserved should be increased; and with regard

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to the Form <sup>43917</sup> and Conditions of <sup>the</sup> Grant I  
took the Liberty of observing that it would  
be necessary to examine Precedents and  
particularly to consult with the Lord Chancellor  
as the Grant would be to pass the Great  
Seal. I find from the Attorney  
General that the Term of One and Twenty  
Years was inserted, as being thought more  
Beneficial on account of the Certainty of  
the Period than a Grant for life, which  
I should have conceived to be originally  
intended. The Restraint on Alienation  
was inserted on the Idea which I have  
already mentioned of the Grant being  
intended Personally to His Royal Highness,

but it would not I apprehend prevent his  
Royal Highness from securing such Proportion  
as He might think proper of the Profit  
to the Persons who undertake to point out  
where the Mines lay. The Reservation to  
the Crown will appear upon Examination  
to be different from what His Royal  
Highness has understood it to be, as the  
enacted Proportion of a Fifth when the  
Profit exceeds 10,000 £, is not reserved out  
of the whole Profit, but only out of the  
Excess above 10,000 £, that of a third in  
like Manner out of the Excess above  
20,000 £, half out of the Excess above 30,000  
and three fourths out of the Excess above 40,000



so that in the Circumstances which are most likely to occur, at least at first, the Share reserved to the Crown will be only a Tenth, and it will not be increased in a great Proportion unless the Profits on the whole prove very considerable indeed. I have taken the Liberty of stating these Particulars which I will beg you to submit to His Royal Highness.

If His Royal Highness should continue to object to the proposed Conditions, and thinks proper to honor me with his further Commands, It will be my Duty to lay the Subject before His Majesty and receive His Majesty's further

Directions . I am Dear Sir

Sincerely & Affectionately Yours

W.A.H.

Major Genl Grenville -