

Duke of Kent to Charles R. Broughton

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W. Bampfylde 27th Oct 1817
Oct. 1817

My Dear Sir

This morning's mail from
 England, brought me your favor
 of the 24th Instant, in reply to
 mine of the 20th, so that if any
 thing can be more prompt, than
 the communication by Ostend
 when the wind is favorable, and
 I would therefore have you by
 all means adopt it hereforward,
 for all the letters from my own
 family, and single ones from
 C. R. Broughton Esq. Lieutenant

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Duke of Kent to Charles R. Broughton

Lieutenant General Withersall, and
 Mr. Hissett, to both of whom I
 will write to day, to keep perfectly
 distinct from all packets of common
 correspondence, their own letters,
 and any peculiar ones of interest
 that they may be directed to enclose,
 of course you will always adopt
 the same mode, whenever you have
 any thing of moment, interest,
 or peculiarity to communicate
 to me. You could not have obliged
 me more, than by taking the
 promptest mode to obtain the infor-
 mation of my Niece's accouchement,
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 and promising to convey the same
 to me. I rejoice to find there is
 a prospect of all differences between
 the Spanish and Portuguese Courts
 being adjusted, a L'Amiable, by
 the interfluence of the allied
 powers, as I should be much modified
 at the reappearance of War in
 Europe, at present. You will
 have learned by my last commu-
 nication, what the deficient
 Morning Chronicle and Observer
 have both reached me safe, for
 obtaining the latter of which, I am
 much indebted to Mr. Hissett's
 exertions

exhibitions. A private opportunity
offering tomorrow for England, you
will receive a large sketch together
with this, which I beg to recommend
as usual to your kind care, and
having nothing further at present
to add, I shall conclude by subscri-
bing myself, with the most friendly
regards,

My Dear Sir
Yours faithfully
Edward.



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Brisford 29th Oct 1817

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My Dear Sir

Your favor of the 19th. Inst. has
reached me yesterday by way of the Hague,
and which as it was decidedly forwarded
by the Mail of the 21st. Proves to you have
right. I am, in wishing all letters of interest
to be sent by way of Rotterdam, since at
least three, if not even four or five days
are gained by that mode of conveyance.
I am much obliged to you for the explanation
you have been so good as to give, with regard
to the error I complained of in the trans-
mission of one batch of my letters, to which
a heavy rate of postage ^{was attached} through Rotterdam,
instead of Helowolunge, but since three,
the circumstance has not recurred, and the
C. R. Broughton Esq. made

made you have adopted to prevent the same
inconvenience again, viz. of forwarding my
Packets under Lord Clancarty's cover direct
to the Post Office, with an exterior envelope
to the Agent of Packets at Helvetolung, sum-
med proper and judicious, and must prevent
a similar inconvenience. - The irregularity
at the Ambassadors Office at the Hague
continues the same, for the packets are
sent indiscriminately without the slightest
attention to their numbers, however, I am
unwilling to notice it, as I know Lord Clancarty
is without assistance at this time, owing to
Mr. Mandeville's retentions ^{by illness} here, and the
absence of Messrs Chad, Gunning & Seymour,
but as I have now begged of you, so long as
you can keep the packets under two pounds
weight, and ⁱⁿ the shape of a large, ordinary
letter, to receive them from me to you

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or even to one, when the thing is practicable,
sending all letters from my own family,
& General M. Murray's and Mr. Highland's per-
sonal ones, through Mr. Scright at Ostend,
I trust I shall get the thing as nearly
into a regular course, as is feasible.
In the mean while, I am much obliged to
you for the trouble you have taken in
speaking to Mr. Scright, and writing to
Major General Cope, who I am well aware
can do nothing in the matter, under the
circumstances of ^{the} penalties that attach
to the transmission of letters by private
hands. I have however a little project in
concealment, which if I can bring to bear, will
obviate every difficulty, as yet however
it is not ripe to communicate it.
I have once heard from Lady Robert
Fitzgerald, since I last named to you
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In a alarming state of health, and I must
to say the accounts were far from satisfactory
and what is worse, I fear she is desponding
about herself. Your sentiments about Lord
Robert perfectly coincide with mine, and
I cannot sincerely, that he is no longer
actively employed in that line, to which
he had already proved himself so bright
an ornament.

I remain ever with the most friendly
regards

My Dear Sir!

Yours faithfully
Edward

P.S. I enclose a letter for Windsor, which
I am particularly anxious should reach
as soon as possible. I wish therefore
you would have the goodness to send
it to Mr. Dighton, at Major General,

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W. Broughton M. A. No. 117

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My Dear Sir

I received by Col. Fayette at Nine
O'Clock yesterday evening your favour
of the 6th inst. I must not, and feel most
particularly obliged to you, for the
excellent arrangement you had made,
which ensured the prompt arrival of
the highly important, but most afflic-
ting intelligence, which the packet con-
tained. Fortunately through the polite
attention of General Cochrane wrote
to Captain Murray the moment he
learned it on the 8th. I was in some degree
prepared for the sad catastrophe, which
was confirmed very shortly after, by
C. R. Broughton Esq.

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The arrival of a second Edition of the Courier
 of that unfortunate day containing the
 heart breaking details. It is impossible
 not to feel deeply the force of your obser-
 vations upon the consequences of this
 most calamitous event, which has over-
 whelmed us all in such deep affliction,
 and which no one can feel more pro-
 nably than I do, who had always been
 on the most amicable and confidential
 terms with poor Miss Charlotte,
 who ever invariably evinced her affectionate
 attachment for me upon all occasions.
 Indeed, I never was so completely over-
 whelmed with any event in my life.
 Hence the MS. you arrived about
 an hour after the express from Boston,
 and

and brought I conclude every thing
 that was collected from all quarters for
 me up to that time, together with the
 His Majesty's Notes of the 4th and 8th and the
 Monthly lists. I am particularly obliged
 to you for attending in the manner
 you have done to Mr. O'Brien's applica-
 tion respecting his letter, which unques-
 tionably contained a communication
 of great interest to me, but which his
 eccentric, though very warm heart,
 could perhaps have done than any one
 else would have done. I am most happy
 however, it has reached me in safety, for
 it would have been a great mortification
 to me, had it fallen into improper hands.
 I can at present only add, that the
 packet

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Packet which accompanied your letter
this morn'g, arrived via the Hague yesterday
afternoon, and was made up perfectly
to my wish, nor does it appear that the
slightest objection arose, as to its scope
or form, and conclude by subscribing
myself with friendship and esteem.

My Dear Sir
Yours faithfully
Edward

Banpelt's 21st 1801
Lube of Kent

Duke of Kent to Charles R. Bronghton

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My dear Sir

Received yesterday your favor of the 2nd and have to thank you kindly for the particulars concerning with which you have followed up the same arrangements for forwarding my private letters and Journals by way of Geneva and all the rest by the Hague. I am particularly obliged to you also for having made Mr. Miller's name a suitable master of the business, so that even in the case of your absence, no error can arise. I return herewith an answer to one particular point Mr. Miller's letter, which you will have the goodness to forward in like manner to him, through my young partner anderson, I should be obliged to have your remembrance

C. R. Bronghton Esq.

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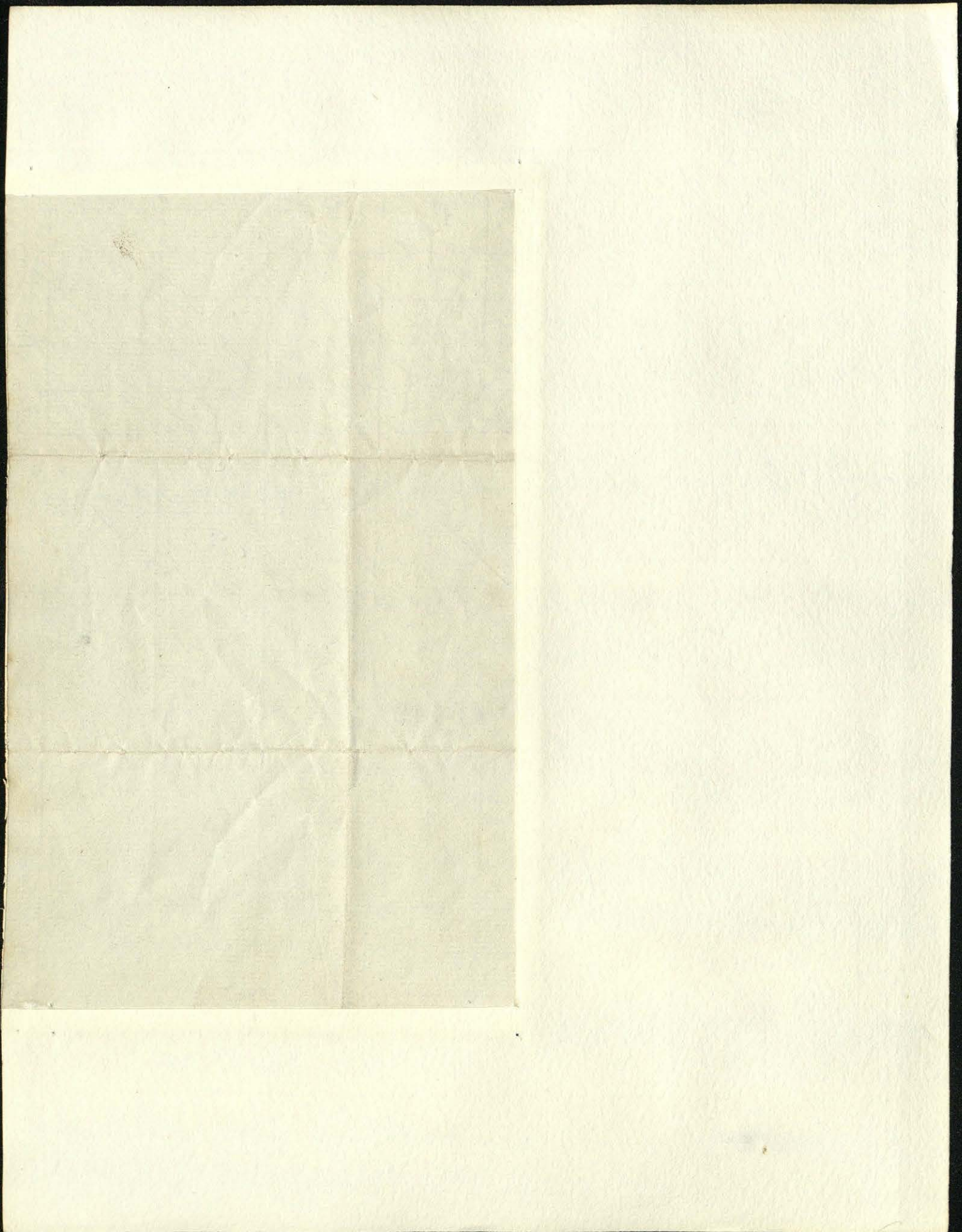
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me kindly. I will also thank you to take
 care of the receipt and safe delivery of
 the letter to the Duke, and I need not trouble
 having received more than one copy of
 and Putnam, I shall have more to convey
 to them by the present occasion, but I am
 much obliged to you for having communi-
 cated to the letter, my sentiments respecting
 his letter, which is one of the very worst that
 and had more I know any where. B.
 I find I feel as I ought, all you and good
 enough to say in this manner. I confidently
 give you, for refusing myself the usual
 daily gratification in this life, to which I
 shall just as well with the same confidence
 as before, that in as much as there there was
 then connected with the subject to which
 you allude in the letter part of your letter
 which operated upon my mind so strongly

that I shall had the former not written any
 more of ordinary and I was, perhaps my
 continuance in return to the present
 here in the time. Having I present nothing
 further to add, I shall conclude by subscri-
 ving myself with the most friendly regards,
 My dear Sir
 Yours faithfully
 E. J.
 A letter for Mr. Kullback is also enclosed.

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Capt. B. Harvey to Charles R. Broughton

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10th Dec. 1817

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My Dear Sir

It was out of my power by the last Mail, to do myself the pleasure of acknowledging your favor of the 2nd, but I shall avail myself of a few leisure moments to thank you kindly for it, and to assure you that I most cordially return every kind offer of service you are so good as to make me, and shall esteem myself but too happy, if I can prove this, otherwise than by words:—

C. R. Broughton Esq. Duke
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Capt. B. Harvey to Charles R. Broughton

Duke wrote you in his last, you will fully understand, that he enters into the meaning of what you so delicately suggest at in yours; it will therefore be needless for me to say more, than that warm as his heart is, I am confident when ever it comes to the moment of trial, he will overcome every private consideration, and do that which his duty to his Country may command. At the same time, he feels at present, his line is to be perfectly quiet, and to wait events as they develop themselves, bearing in mind, that he was brought up in early life with

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with his Naval Brother, and that he is his elder one. From this short account, you will be aware that your expectations probably will be realized in due time. I avail myself of the present opportunity, to acknowledge through you, Mr. Pitt's obliging letter of the 1st Dec^r, and those of the 5th now before you, upon which it will be only necessary for me to observe, that His Royal Highness is quite pleased with the subject now in discussion, which he appears to have of the new arrangement for forwarding the Duke's dispatches and which

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now arrived in success just as
he could wish. As yet the Packet
which Mr. Disseton mentions in
his Note of the 2^d having been
sent to the Agent at Boston, to
be transmitted by private Steam
has not arrived, I am therefore
induced to suggest, that as oppor-
tunities may often occur in
the first instance for Bury and
Ghent, and not further, there
is at the former place. Mr. Bury
formerly of the Duke's Regiment
and at the latter a Lieutenant
Colonel. Muller now on the Staff
of the Duke.

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pray of the same to whom any
Packet may be sent with safety
by the Barges at a small expense
to be forwarded to His Royal
Highness here, as they are both
attached to the Duke, and would
gladly take any trouble to be
of use to him.

It now only remains for me
to request my best compliments
to Mr. Disseton and to subscribe
myself with the truest regard

My Dear Sir!
Yours faithfully
P. Harvey.

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Duke of Kent

Duke of Kent to Charles R. Broughton

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My Dear Sir
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Bouffels 9th March 1818
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Referring to the private letter
I wrote you by the last Mail, I
have now the opportunity of you, that
judging it more prudent for
account of a violent cold, with
which I have been attacked for
some days past, the post from leaving
this from the 11th to 19th. In consequence,
I cannot expect to reach Calcutta till
the night of the 20th, or the morning
of the 21st; as such, I should wish
you to send my letters and papers
up to Saturday inclusive the 17th,
addressed to the care of the Agent
C. R. Broughton Esq. of
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of Packets at Calais, and that you
 will by the Mail of Friday the
 20th, enclose cover of the Packet Agent
 at Dover, furnished with the Papers
 of Wednesday, ^{Thursday} and the
 Courier of that Evening, ^{and Friday} affixing
 my worthy friend's Wishes, that if
 he has any thing to communicate
 that Evening, you will have an
 opportunity of forwarding it to me.
 You will infer from this, that I
 shall not want the make use of a
 Packet, prior to Saturday Morning ^{the 21st}
 and therefore will allow the first
 I therefore authorized you to give
 to the Packet Agent, to that effect.
 Should by any fortunate chance
 this

this letter reach you before the
 Mail of Friday the 13th is made
 up, I would then have you send
 all the letters as usual for Ostend,
 retaining only to forward to Calais,
 those Packets, which ^{you} would otherwise
 send by the route of Calcuttians.
 The Hurricane it has blown for
 the last four or five days, has pre-
 vented the arrival of the Mail of
 the 3rd, and it still continues to blow
 so hard, that I scarcely dare hope
 even tomorrow, to see it arrive, with
 the other of the 6th, which became
 due to day.

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I have now only to repeat the
 sentiments of friendly regard,
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My Dear Sir!

Yours faithfully
Edward

Duke of Kent to Charles R. Broughton

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March. 1878

The Duke of Kent returns his kindest acknowledgements to Mr. Broughton, for his favor of this date. - Being obliged to go to Windsor tomorrow, from which he will not return until Monday he does not see the possibility of getting to W. instead, to visit Mr. Thomas on that day more especially, as he has at present no copy of the arrived, of which he would wish himself to give you some, though he hopes the case will be otherwise,

C. R. Broughton Esq. before
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before the end of the week, but
 The Duke does not apprehend that
 any unpleasant consequence can
 arise therefrom, as he has no
 recollection of any letters having
 passed between him and their
 much lamented friend, which are
 of material moment, except the
 one written in November last,
 which no doubt must have been
 destroyed, and that of last month,
 which was answered by Mr Broughton
own pen. As such, the Duke of
 Kent will post some his visit
 to Mr. Mordaunt, until after he has
 seen Mr Broughton, which he
 hopes to be able to do on Wednesday.

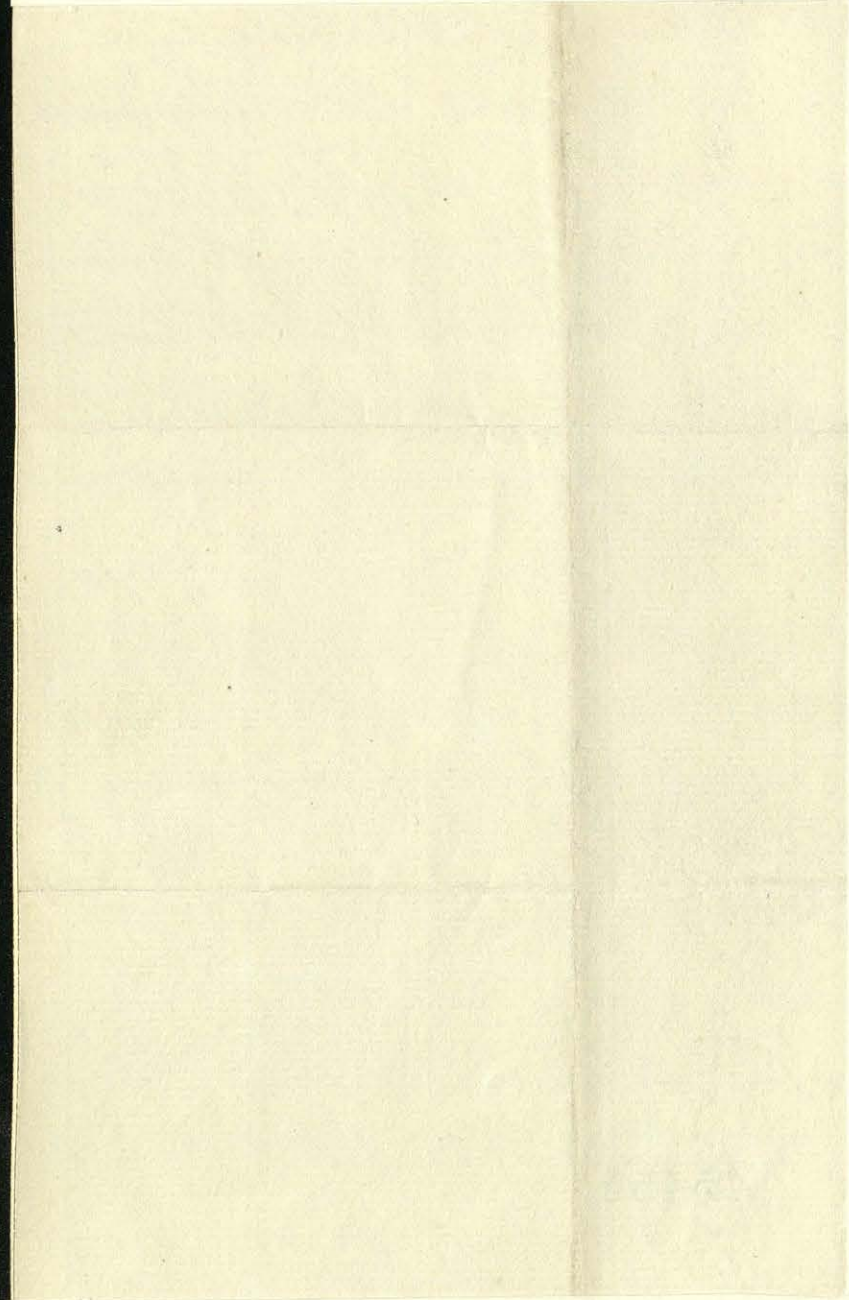
Yours
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The letter from Mr Chad, is not in
 answer to the one the Duke wrote
 him before he left Br. but, regard-
 -ing the tardy delivery of his letter
 by the mails of the 3rd & 6th Instant
 from England, and which could
 not have reached Mr Chad, until
 the 21st Instant.

The Duke in concluding, prae-
 sented him the conveyance of Captain
 Harcourt's best acknowledgments
 to Mr Broughton, for his kind
 and friendly attention, to the
 forwarding of his letter to Mr Harvey.

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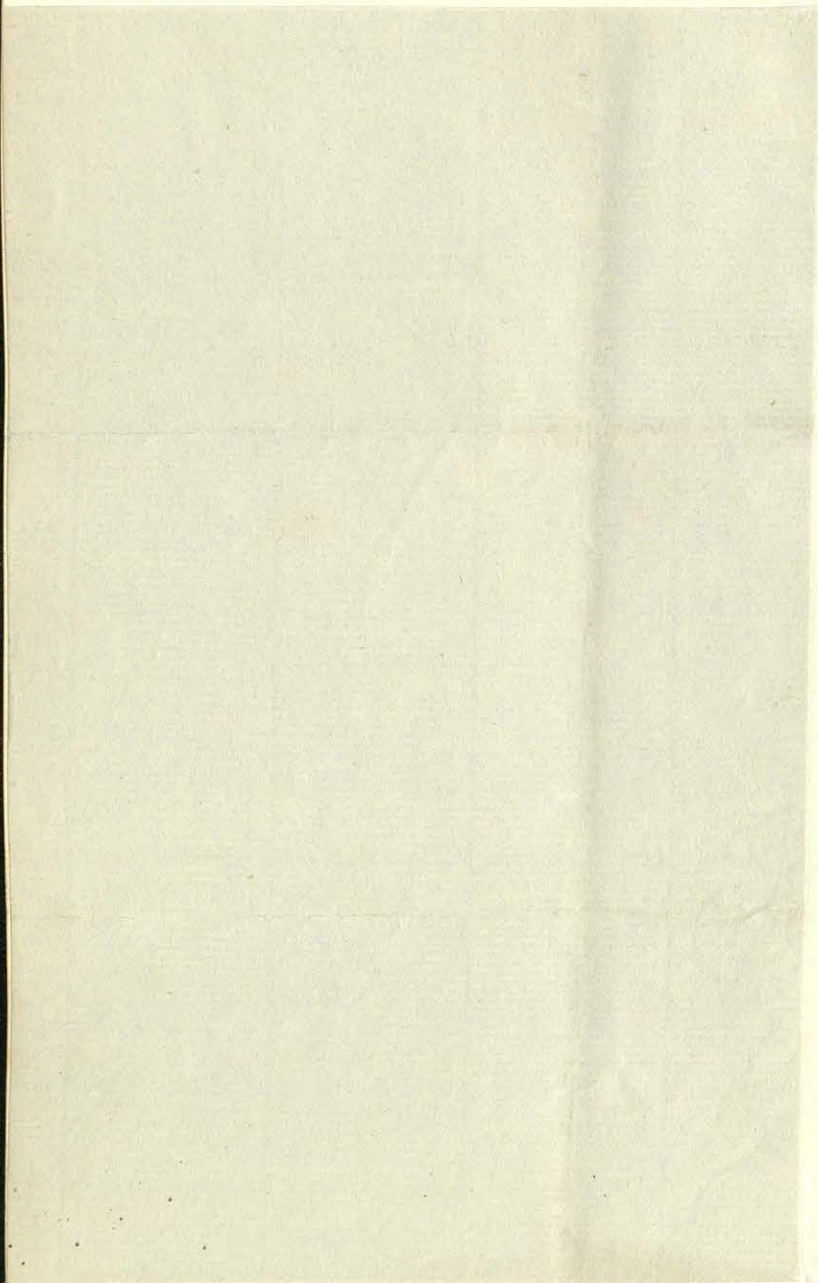
23^d April 1818

Captain Harvey is instructed by
 The Duke of Kent to enclose to
 Mr. Broughton, the accompanying
 two letters written this morning
 by His Royal Highness's command
 to Mr. Charles Birch and Mr.
 Clement Westhouse, in behalf
 of Mr. Margaret Todd, but
 Mr. Harvey being wholly unknown
 to the Duke, Captain Harvey has
 judged it best to authorize both
 the above named Gentlemen to
 use His Royal Highness's name
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to them, should they happen to
be acquainted with them, for
the purpose of giving his vote
and assistance on the occasion.
Captain Harvey is authorized to
state in confidence to Mr. Broughton
that the Duke has had further
accounts from the same quarter,
on which he conversed yesterday
up to the 13th, in every respect
most satisfactory, and that it
is presumed the final result
must be known here by the 28th.

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St. James's Palace

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26th April 1818

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My Dear Sir

In acknowledging your favor of last evening, I had the first pleasure to express my concern at your indisposition, in which I sincerely sympathize with you, having experienced for the last four days, a most violent attack of the same nature, which has been doubly annoying, as notwithstanding the severity of it, I have been obliged each day to attend to my several engagements and to Mr. Broughton Esq's avocations

Y^{rs} &c
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conventions out of doors. I hope however it is beginning to subside, as well as a heavy Grief and Cold that has accompanied it. The enclosed Note from Mr. Brotherton, will show you what the prospects of Mr. Todd are very favorable; and I sincerely hope that your wishes in his behalf will be realized. I have to thank you particularly for your observations at the close of your letter, and to add my confident expectation that in another week papers over our heads, the thing will be brought to the desired termination. As it will

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will of course be a matter of considerable importance, to the infant the moment Mr. Maffey, Daniel arrives, I shall rely on your good office to make any inquiries, that I may be apprised of it, by an express sent out to this, as promptly as possible.

Sincerely hoping that your complaint will soon be removed, I remain with the very sentiments of the most friendly regards.

My Dear Sir:-
Yours faithfully
Edward

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April 20th 1818

Duke of Clarence

Duke of Kent to Charles R. Broughton

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April 1815

Private

St. James's Palace

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29th April 1815

My Dear Broughton

I have received yours of yesterday, and am glad to find that you are so much better. I am happy to add, that I am so likewise, having a little remains of cough, am pretty stout again. I do not recollect, until you mentioned it, of the return of David M^r Messing, any more than you appear to be of Mr. Lamb's return to England, who has been here nearly a week, but I find a more

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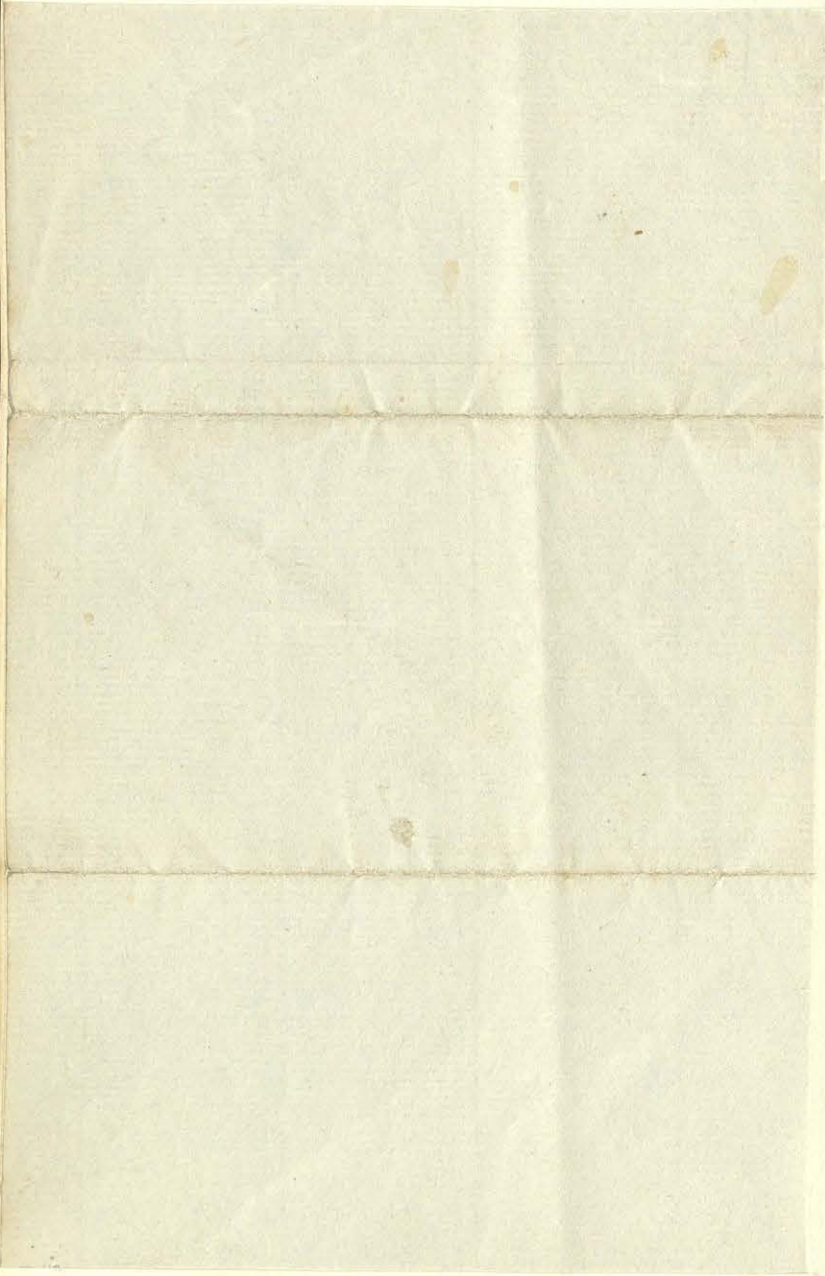
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active Man than Daniel is left
with. Mr. Taylor, who is now the
sole negotiator, and whose name
I dare say you will be able to
ascertain, as he is the same that
was with Mr. Lumsden. It is the
arrival of that Man, of which I am
so anxious to receive the earliest
information. I have now only
to add, that I shall rejoice at Mr.
Todd's success, since you are so
interested about her, and that I
remain ever with friendship and
esteem.

My Dear Broughton
Yours faithfully
E. J.



Lt Col. B. Harvey to Charles R. Broughton

201 45461-2
Claremont 29th July 1818

My Dear Sir

Having this morning received
 your kind letter of yesterday, concerning
 the Packet addressed to His Royal
 Highness the Duke of Kent, at which
 you mention having come connected
 to you, enclosed as a dispatch from
 Lord Chancery, I have thought it
 my duty to lay yours before
 His Royal Highness, who in conse-
 quence of it, has felt so much hurt
 at the suspicion expressed by Mr.
 Harter, that he would not open the
 Packet, but has desired me to take
 them back and send to the Foreign
 Office, with instructions to attend
 and insist on His Royal Highness,
 C. R. Broughton Esq. Yours faithfully

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just upon their being opened by me
in Mr. Hunt's presence, and I
expressed the Duke will not be satis-
fied with this, but will take an
opportunity of speaking to Lord
Castlereagh upon the subject, as the
practice has uniformly received
journal papers, consist only of the
news paper of the Netherlands, of
reports from his House of Burgundy,
Houshaffer, a confidential Clerk
who is left there to conduct the
accounts, and such letters as may
arrive there for either the Duchess
or himself. The Duke is therefore
doubtless at a loss to conceive how
so unjust a suspicion should
attach to his correspondence, and
has inquired me when I call
upon

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upon Mr. Hunt for the purpose of
opening the Packet, to request that
gentleman to state from what
Quarter such a suspicion has
originated. I cannot expect to
show how much His Royal Highness
felt hurt at this circumstance,
and I am confident he will not
rest satisfied, until he has traced
out the malevolent fabricator of
the suspicion, to which Mr. Hunt
has been led to know you to put
a stop to any further inconve-
nience. I shall be the bearer of
this letter myself, where you should
write at the foreign Office when
I call, must they possibly obtain
from me an immediate audience
of Mr. Hunt, in order that this
matter

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matter may be clear of...
I believe you will be...
regard

My dear Sir
I am yours faithfully
Chambers

L^{ieut} Col. B. Harvey to Charles R. Broughton

Private 201 45463

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General M^{rs} Augst 1813

M^{rs} Col. Harvey sends his best
 regards to his friend Mr Broughton,
 and thanks him for the private
 note of yesterday. - He has the
 satisfaction of assuring him, that
 the Duke is not in the smallest degree
 annoyed by all that passed respec-
 ting Mr Roberts, but is gratified that
 he has it in his power by acting
 as he did, to remove the ungrounded
 impression that had been taken
 up with respect to Mr Broughton,
 which he hopes will never recur.

The Lt Colonel has the satisfaction

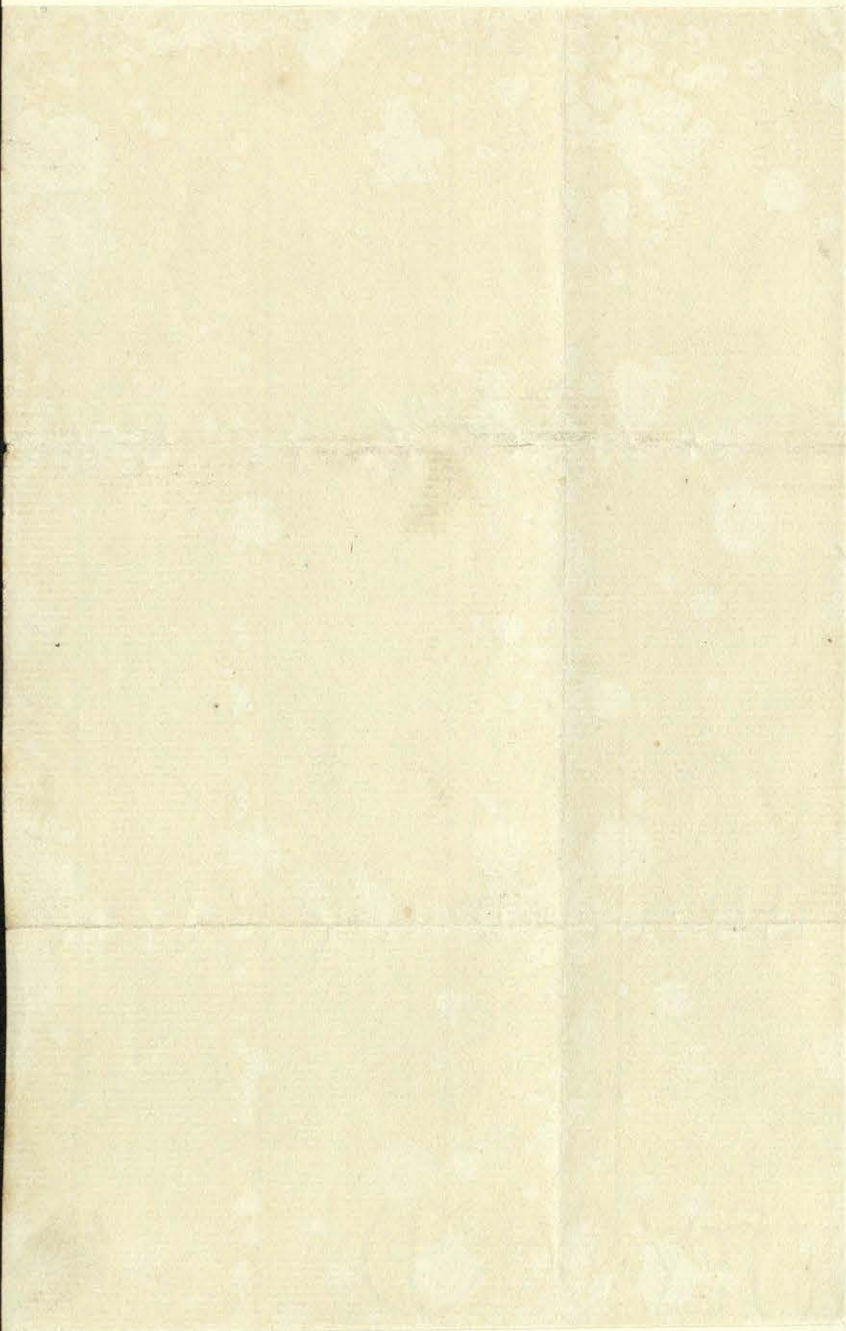
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L^{ieut}. Col. B. Harvey to Charles R. Broughton

Enclosing a letter for his friend
 Admiral Donnelly, to us by the hands
 of Mr. Moore, which he is confident
 will ensure that Gentlemen's every
 attention from that quarter of
 Broughton's side. Mr. Broughton
 may wish. It may be right to add
 that the Duke returns from Caennant
 in Sto tomorrow, and that he will
 forward the newspapers and other
 communications that he sent
 to Kensington, for the convenience
 of His Royal Highness's stay in
 England, which will probably not
 exceed the first week in next month.

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Lt. Col. B. Harvey to Charles R. Broughton

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Kennington Palace

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August 15 - 1878.

Lt. Col. Harvey has had the pleasure of receiving his Friend Mr Broughton's favor of the 14th, and is delighted to find that his notes from Claremont which was dated he thinks the 12th, had proved of satisfaction to him.

In return he can assure Mr Broughton, that the information he contains

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C.R. Broughton Esq
Downing Street 181

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with regard to what he so properly terms the odious question of Contraband, will never again be introduced at the Foreign Office connected with his correspondence.

Lt Col. Harvey was most happy in being able to immediately to comply with Mr Broughton's wishes, in sending him the letter for his friend Admiral Donnelly, and
begs

begs to repeat the readiness with which he will ever meet any wish of Mr Broughton's when in his power.

The Duke and Duchess and their Suite, have been here ever since the evening of the 12th, and they will now divide the remaining period of their stay in England, between this place and Castle Hill, probably
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probably passing the
next ten days here, &
the ensuing at the
latter place.

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St. James's Palace

19 45466 13th August 1718

Lt. Col. Harvey has this moment
 received Mr. Broughton's note
 of the 13th returned from Claremont
 and has to apprehend that
 a Messenger will be sent in on
 Monday to receive the News
 which His Royal Highness has
 been anxiously expecting for
 the last three weeks. The letter
 from Lord Churchill contained
 nothing but a report of the
 motions of the Royal Family
 of the Netherlands, and of His
 Lordship's intention to remove
 C. R. Broughton Esq. the
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The British Legation to St. Petersburg,
immediately after the second week
of this month.

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Feb. 1818

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Windsor 29th Sept. 1818

My Dear Broughton

It just now occurs to me,
 that I have been guilty of a
 great neglect, in not introducing
 to you Captain Conroy of the
 Royal Artillery, one of the
 Gentlemen of my Household,
 as the person, who has ^{had} the entire
 superintendance of my affairs
 at home since the period of
 my departure, and therefore
 that all my communications
 to him, are those, which require
 to be conveyed, with the utmost
 C. R. Broughton Esq. promptitude
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promptitude, when they reach
your hands, and as he lives at
Shooter's Hill, and you at Blackheath,
I think that by bringing you
together, you will be enabled
to arrange some plan to expedite
the delivery of my letters to him,
which as you will perceive, from
the following memorandum of
the period, when my last three
communications reached him,
has hitherto been extremely
hardly, viz my letter by the Mail
of the 15th from this, only reached
him at Shooter's Hill by post
on the Evening of the 23rd, that of
the 16th, that went by Lord Castlemaine's
messengers

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Messengers, I think on the 17th,
was received on the Evening of the
22nd late by post, and that my
Mail of the 18th, an hour and a
half earlier, on the return of
the Captain's Orderly Man from
the Foreign Office: you will of
course, by a little investigation,
be enabled to ascertain how all
this has occurred, and which indeed
has been the cause of some
unpleasant disappointment
to me, and I have no doubt,
but that by putting your heads
together, its recurrence for the
future, will be altogether pre-
vented.

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I remain ever with the most
friendly regards.

My Dear Bronghton!

Yours faithfully
Edward

Bussell 29 Sept 1815

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My Dear Broughton Nov 1818

41 I had flattered myself, perhaps, that I might have had a few lines from you, to learn how all was going on at home &c, but now having a full course to hand, I am under the necessity of troubling you with this, to inform you, that I yesterday received, through Mr. Mandville, a letter from the Bishop of York dated the 29th October, which of course came by the Mail of the 30th, and not a single other letter, or paper of any sort have I received since the Mail of the 20th, ^{except one of the 27th from the Bishop of Exeter,} but in the account for this, I am totally at a loss; no doubt you will be able to explain it. At the same time it is right I should inform you, that upon every occasion, since I have arrived here, the Frankfurt papers, containing News from England of a whole Mail later, have preceded by a day.

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or two, the one with my English letters, so that they have always four five or six days older, than the news we were in possession of. I am inclined to think that this arises from the letters being sent by Ostend, whereas the Francofort papers get their news from Paris via Calais: if therefore you would contrive to engage the good offices of some Gentleman attached to the French Embassy at Paris, who would bona fide deliver Mr. Mandeville's packet, the moment he receives it, by post to Francofort, I think it would be the best way of forwarding my future correspondence, particularly as in another week, all will be safe at Aix la Chapelle, and although the British Mission is now at Brussels for the habitation, I do not think, between ourselves, that Lord Claremont is very accommodating to me; thus when you have any packet larger than the usual size, I think through Prince Coburg, or his Charge d'Affaires, Honnour

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Honnour de Prusse, it could be always forwarded to General Vincent, the Austrian Ambassador at Paris, who by favor of one of his Cousins, would refer the opportunity of us, forward it most readily to Mr. Mandeville at Francofort. Indeed I have already experienced a mark of attention of this nature from the Genl, in a parcel sent to me through that channel from the Duke of Orleans. I should also wish you to try the experiment, of other enclosing, when you know Mr. Chad to be actually returned from Aix la Chapelle to Brussels, a packet for me to him, instructing him to forward it to me by the very first post through Mandeville, accompanied by a list from himself, marking the time upon which he received it, as then I could form a more accurate judgment, which of the two Ostend or Calais, if plans are equally well adjusted at Brussels & Paris for pushing on the packets. I understand Mr. Mandeville will answer

best for my father's convenience, I beg
to add, that I now take ^{only} the Chronicle,
the Military Register and the Gazette,
therefore if any extraordinary
news occurring, and being inserted in
the Courier, for a Mail Day, which the
Chronicle of that Morning has not,
you will oblige me by enclosing it.

I have been recently not freed, but of
the Duke of Clarence, and that all is going
on well and comfortably at Hamoath,
and his little Dutchesse with the Child.
I continue myself in good health,
as ever my Father's, for whose coming
over to England in April next, I conceive
there will be a necessity.

Believe me ever to remain with the
most friendly regards.

My Dear Branghton!

Yours faithfully

Edward

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 15th Nov 1818

My Dear Sir

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I think it right to apprise you, that I received yesterday at the same time, but of course in three distinct packets, from the Secretary of States' Office, ^{first} a letter from the Dutchess of Gloucester, dated the 23rd Ultimo, and another from Captain Conroy of the same date, with the News-papers of the 21st, 22nd & 23rd, which was preceded a week ago, by one from my father Mary of the 27th, secondly, the News-papers of the 28th, 29th & 30th, with a letter from Captain Conroy of the 30th, and lastly, two letters, the one from the Dutchess of Gloucester, the other from my father Augusta of the 3rd Post, but, to the great my misapprehension, so that I was still deficient of the papers of the 24th, 26th & 27th, which ought to have accompanied my father's letter of the latter date, and

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those of the 31st Octo and 2nd & 3rd Nov., which ought to have accompanied my two former letters of the 3rd Inst., but what is still more incomprehensible, I have not got Captain Corrojo's letter of the 2nd, to which he refers in his letter of the 30th, and which is the intermediate number, between fourteen and sixteen, which I have received, nor any letter from my sister Mary of the 30th, who I know never misses a Mail, so that where this inconceivable confusion originates, I am totally at a loss to understand, and must entreat you, to unravel for me. At all events, I would beg of you in future, always to mark on the outside cover, the date of the Packet, and the Day, by which it is forwarded, as thus it would be possible to trace, where the error originates, which is particularly distressing to me at this moment, when on account of the

the state of the Queen's health, very letter from my family, has caused a subject of double interest. I hope therefore you will be able to prevent this recurring, by instituting a very minute inquiry into the cause, which can have produced this wonderful effect.

Having mentioned in my letter to Captain Corrojo of this day, to whom I enclose this, that I wished him to obtain a sight of my last letter to you, in order the better to enable you to lay your heads together, so as to clear up these mistakes, that have occurred, and to prevent their recurrence, I have to request the favour of you to let him see it, and that you will write in your best endeavours, to spare me the recurrence of those mortifications, of which I now have to complain, and which really half disturb me! After saying this, I beg distinctly to

express, that I do not attribute the matter
to you or Mr. Russell, but to
those, on this side the water, who should
have attended to forwarding my packets
on to Mr. Maudslayi, for whose punctuality
I know I can answer as fully, as for
your own. -

I remain ever with the most friendly
regards

My Dear Sir: -
Yours faithfully
Edward

Duke of Kent to Charles R. Broughton

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Amorbach 25th Nov. 1818

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My Dear Broughton,

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At three O'Clock this morning,
by the hands of Mr. Mandeville, who
was so good as to come over himself
with the packet from Frankfurt, which
arrived here last evening, my Lord
Aust. from Aix la Chapelle, I received
your favor of the 17th Instant, the
melancholy contents of which were
confirmed by the Postscript of the
Duchess of Gloucester's letter to me
of the same date, mentioning "that
"all was over at Aix". Be assured I
appreciate, as I ought, this fresh mark
of your attention. With respect
to the war itself, although long
expected, and to be considered only
as a providential release to the
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poor sufferer, I cannot deny, but that
 it has affected me deeply, as breaking
 the only remaining grand link, of that
 Chain, which to a degree, kept our whole
 family together. God grant I may
 be mistaken, but I own, I consider,
 this loss as a misfortune, under existing
 circumstances, almost irreparable,
 to those of us, who are lovers of harmony.
 I have now to announce to you, that,
 yesterday morning, the long missing
 packet of the Mail of the 27th October
 came to hand, but I am still without
 those of the 10th & 13th Instant, which is
 almost inconceivable, if they were also
 sent by the way of Aix la Chapelle, as
 it could have given my Lord Stewart
 no more trouble to have brought the
 three packets, than one from them to
 Frankfurt; but Mr. Mandeville tells
 me, it has been the custom to send
 them

them forward from Lord Castlereagh's
 Office, at Aix, by Austrian Messengers,
 and that to this is to be ascribed, the
 great irregularity, I have so much
 complained of; but my own belief
 is, that it has been principally owing
 to a want of attention, in forwarding
 them, when the opportunities of these
 Couriers offered, from the Office at Aix.

Having at present nothing further
 to add, and being much pressed for
 time, I have only to repeat my injun-
 ctions, that all future letters should be
 sent, through Sir Charles Stewart, at
 Paris, and forwarded regularly per post
 from there, through some confidential
 steady person, belonging to that Mission,
 whom I must leave it to your
 discretion to select.

Believe me to be at all times, with
 the most friendly regards,
 My

Amerbach 26 Nov 1878

Duke of Kent

My Dear Mr. Broughton! -
answer to Notification
of Queen's Death Yours faithfully

Edward

a. in detail

Jan 14th 1879

Lt Col. B. Harvey to Charles R. Broughton

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44. Amorbach 7th Dec 1818

My Dear Sir

I beg to inform you, that the
 Mail of the 27th arrived yesterday
 here with the papers of the 25th, 26th
 & 27th Ult^o, as also those of the 23rd
 & 24th, which were deficient by the
 preceding Mail: but what seems
 inexplicable, is that the preceding
 day, a packet, the cover of which
 I send you, arrived direct from
 Ostend by Post, without passing
through Mr. Mandwill, contain-
 ing a letter from the Princess
 Sophia of the 26th, and a sheet
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packet for Doctor Ransdell, with
the heavy charge of postage you
will see marked upon it of
2 florins 20 Kreuzers, or about 5/-.
His Royal Highness has therefore
requested me to beg of you to
recollect, that henceforward it
is his wish, the packet for him
should be placed, under an external
envelope to the Minister or
Charge' d' Affaires at Frankfurt,
and then sent in Sir Charles
Stewart's Bag under cover of such
Gentleman attached to the British
Embassy at Paris, as you may
should have the charge of for-
warding the Duke's correspondence,
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once for all instructing that
Gentleman, that such packets
marked with a K in the corner,
are meant for His Royal Highness,
and therefore to be forwarded
by the next Mail. From the
celerity with which the last
Mail has arrived, viz in nine
days, it is probable that by
the route of Paris, letters may
reach this place in seven, and
as this is so great an object to
the Duke, he trusts you will
kindly direct your best attention,
to give his wishes effect:—

With very sentiments of
the most friendly regard, I
remain

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I remain ever

~~Dear~~ My Dear Sir:

10/18 Yours faithfully

Col. Harvey

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Amorbach 8th Dec. 1818

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My Dear Broughton

I received this day your two letters of the 25th & 27th with under one cover, with that from Mr. Musgrave to you of the 23rd via Paris; Thus by referring to Col. Haug's letter of yesterday, you will perceive, that the packet containing my father's letter of the 27th, and Doctor Randolph's packet via Ostend direct, reached me on the 5th, and consequently three days earlier than the present packet, though dispatched at the same time, but then although in this instance, the Paris one has been the longest on the road, and the Ostend one the shortest, it becomes a query, whether that is a rule to go by in general, or whether the chances of wind, may not on the whole

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under the Paris conveyance, the most secure and quick. Of course, the explanation of your intentions, as contained in the letter now before me, does away the enigmatical points, on which I desired the Colonel to write to you yesterday: as such, it now only becomes necessary for me to decide, whether to adopt the Brussels or the Paris conveyance, and, ^{as} I am inclined to consider Mr. Serin's, as a sound, good opinion, I think I shall determine on the Paris route, as before suggested by me. - By reference to Col. Harcourt's letter, you will perceive that the Packet you sent by the way of Ostend, came to about 5/-, while that by way of Paris received to day, amounted only to about 3/4. - and the whole, it is necessary you should understand, that my object in wishing all my letters to go in the first instance to the British Legation

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Legation at Frankfort, is to ensure their reaching that place free of postage, which would be enormous, had I to pay the whole Continental postage. - I should here beg to observe, that at present, Captain Conway's packet is of the same importance to me as General M. Marshall's and the letters of my own family, and therefore should be despatched with them. - With regard to the conveyance between Frankfort and this place, I am confident nothing can exceed the exactness and promptitude of my friend Mr. Mandwill, for I know, that, the instant the packets arrive at the British Legation, they are dispatched to the post, for this place, so that I am confident no delay whatever, arises from their passing through that Office. - Adverting to your private, interesting communication of the 2nd, which came under the same cover

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even, I own I am a little incredulous, as
to the fact of the bulk of the poor Queen
personal property, having been made over
to Trustees, and particularly as the Lord
Chancellor is mentioned to be one of them,
as I have reason to believe, that for years
past, she had withdrawn all confidence
from him, and as Count. Munster and
General Taylor are known to be two
of the Commissioners for the King's private
property, I should rather think a joint
must have been made, between the
two concerns. . . I own I never expected
to find, that there was any reserve of
money at all, for I recollect well, that
she was obliged to borrow a large sum
of the late Lord Aylemer, to effect the
purchase of the Estate at Troymore,
and I have reason to believe, that the
improvements at that place, which

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⁴⁶ have been very expensiv in every way,
 such Quarterly, all the ready Money
 that did not go to pay her Establishment,
 her Wardrobe expens, her Jeweller, and
 her Charities, which were all very expensiv
 and I should not be at all surpris'd,
 that there are ever some debts besides.

However, in the arrangement of the
 papers, which of course is left to the
 Executors, Lord Arden and General Taylor,
 this sort of trust you allude to, if it
 exists, must be scrupul, and if it should
 be as your good wishes lead you to expect,
 it will certainly be a God send to me,
who have no wish to have any other
Head Quarters than Old England, and
 my engagements with the Dutchess
 with respect to her Guardianship, are
not of a nature to render it indispensabl,
 that we should be here for more
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than a few months, ^{anxiety} during the minority
of her son, which will continue until
the year 1824. I am much obliged to you
for all the interest you express about this
Dutchess's health, which continues to
be generally good, and in all May, I trust
the result of her present state will be
such, as to gratify the expectation of
my friends. - It would be a satisfaction
if one could look forward with any
degree of certainty, to what sort of proceeding
a supplement to my note, to the one paper
in May last. -

I have now only to repeat the senti-
ments of friendship and esteem, with
which I am ever,

My Dear Broughtons.
Dec 8th 1818
Duke of Kent
As in detail
Jan 14 1819

Yours faithfully
Edward