

Ich habe dem fürstlich Erminingen Hofmeister  
 und Erbprinzen Grafen Schmitz und dem Auf:  
 = hof und die Vollmacht, die Erbprinzen Meinern  
 vorzubringen und zuweilen Genehmigung mit  
 der kaiserlichen Hofrat dem Generalen von Runk, Kö.  
 = niglichen Prinzen von Gnesen-Birnbaum 22. 1788  
 mit der Erbprinzen souverainen Hofen, als mit dem  
 fürstlichen Erbprinzen kaiserlich Gnesen-Birnbaum  
 Herrn Grafen die vorerwähnten Hofleistungen  
 zu erfüllen und die Erbprinzen Hofleistungen  
 Hofleistungen zu erfüllen und zu gewährleisten.  
 = nicht zu kritisieren und zu gewährleisten.

Hochachtungsvoll unterm eigenhändigen Unterschrift  
 und Originaltext fürstlichen Hofmeister.

Amorbach den 14ten April 1818

Victorie Amorbach  
 Hofmeister zu  
 Geborg Hofmeister zu Amorbach









Duke of Hesse to Princess Augusta of Hesse-Cassel

[Jan. 1818]

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Madame,

Ayant reçu au mo-  
-ment même la lettre que Votre Altesse  
Serénissime a bien voulu m'adresser pour  
me faire part de Son Union avec mon bien  
-aimé Frère le Duc de Cambridge, je m'em-  
-presserai sans perte de temps, de Vous en témoi-  
-gner toute ma Reconnaissance, et en même  
-temps, de Vous exprimer tous les Vœux que  
je fais pour Votre Bonheur mutuel.  
Attaché comme je le suis, de toutes les mani-  
-ères, à cet excellent Frère, je partage bien  
-vivement toute la joie qu'il m'exprime au



Duke of Hesse to Princess Augusta of Hesse-Cassel

[Jan. 1818]

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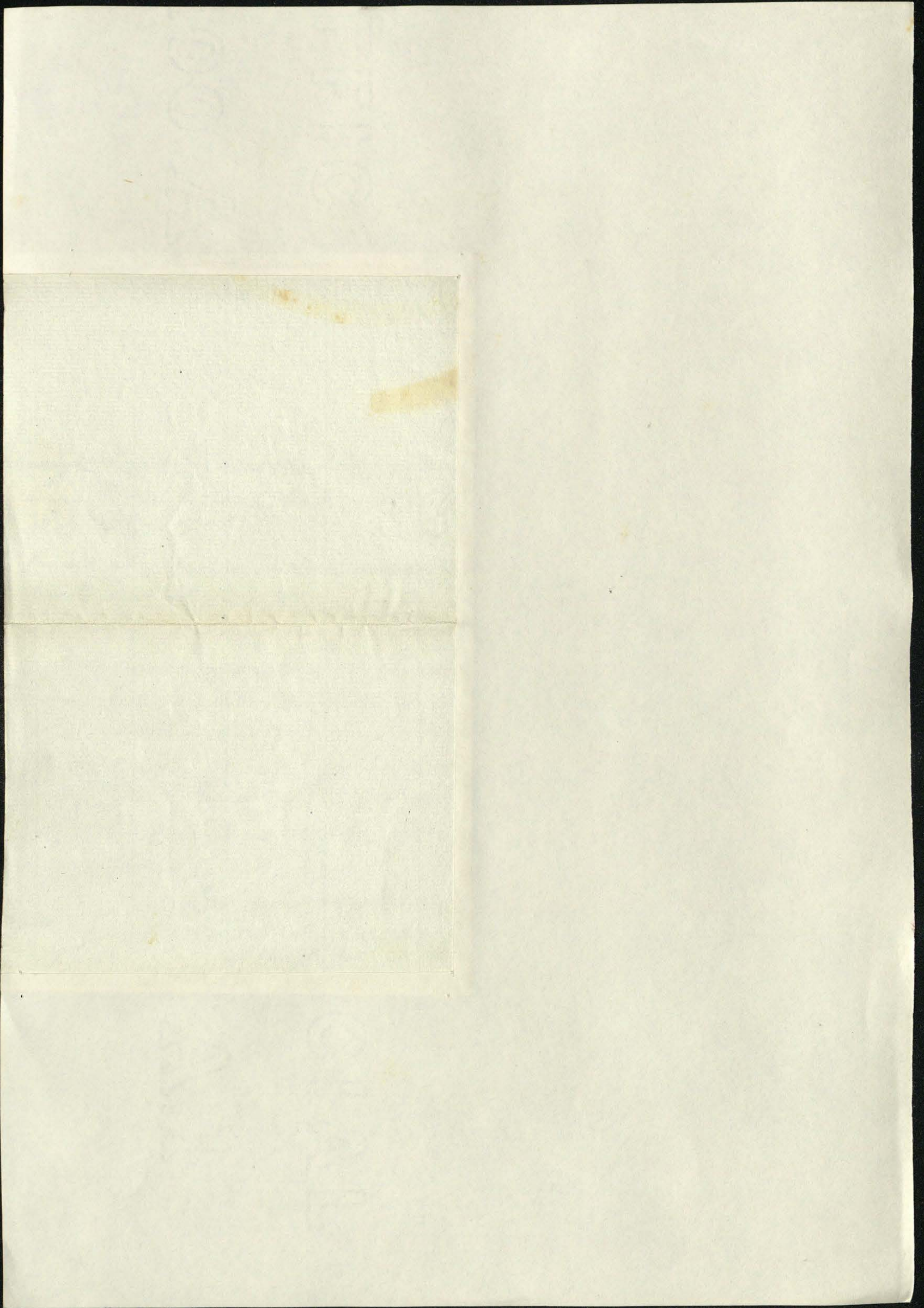
sujet de cet Evénement qu'il envisage  
comme le plus heureux de sa vie, et je prie  
Votre Altesse Sérénissime de croire qu'en  
faisant Son Bonheur, Vous Vous assurez  
tous les droits possibles à ma reconnaissance  
et à mon attachement.

J'espère que les circonstances me permettront  
pas la suite, d'apurer Votre Altesse Sérénissime  
de tout mon Devoirment de vive voix, en  
attendant je lui demande la Permission  
de lui offrir l'Homage des Sentimens  
de la plus haute Considération, avec  
les quels, je suis, Madame

De Votre Altesse Sérénissime  
Le très humble  
et très obéissant Serviteur  
Eduard Duc de Hesse.

From Cambridge papers  
Sent by Queen Mary 1919







Duke of Kent to Sir Benjamin Bloomfield

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Amesbury 15<sup>th</sup> March 1819

My Dear Bloomfield

Adverting to the letter, I did myself  
the pleasure of addressing to you on the  
7<sup>th</sup> of January, in which, to the best of my  
recollection, I intimated that, in consequence  
of the total want of convenience in this  
House, and its distance of fifty English  
Miles from any large Town, where addi-  
tional Medical Assistance might be obtained  
if required at the moment of the Duchess's  
confinement, I had it in contemplation to  
take her to Brompton, where both these  
objections would be removed, I have now  
to state to you, for the information of  
the Prince Regent, that a residence of  
five Months having fully confirmed me, in  
Major General  
The Hon. Sir Benj. Bloomfield  
my



Duke of Kent to Sir Benjamin Bloomfield

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my opinion as to the first objection, which,  
after calculating the expense I should be put  
to, after reaching Brussels to reinstate them,  
those comforts, which I brought away from  
that place to Amorbach, and comparing it  
with what it would cost me to proceed on  
from Brussels to Kensington when I should  
find my Apartments comparatively full with  
very desirable accommodation, I am satis-  
fied that the latter plan will be the less  
expensive of the two. I have on these grounds,  
been induced to decide on proceeding to  
England, particularly when I take into  
consideration that, in the event of the  
Dutchess's state requiring it, I should there  
be able to obtain for her the best Medical  
assistance, probably in the world. I have  
in consequence, made my arrangements  
to arrive at Calais on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April,  
and

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and if the Prince Regent will be pleased to  
grant us the accommodation of the Palace  
to take us over to Dover, on the succeeding  
Morning, we shall gratefully acknowledge it.

I have to request, at the same time, that you  
will express to the Prince, that it is far  
from my intention to trouble him, with any  
application for assistance of any sort, but if  
during the stay we may make at Kensington,  
he will permit us to be accommodated with  
the small apartment formerly Mrs. Meynell's,  
that late the Prince's Lady of the Bedchamber  
and her House Steward, and with the loan  
of the Kitchen and its appertaining Office,  
it will be acknowledged, as an act of kindness,  
as adding considerably to our comfort and  
convenience for the time. I calculate  
that this letter should reach you on the 29<sup>th</sup>  
Instant, and therefore if either on Tuesday  
the



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The 30<sup>th</sup>, or Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April, you will  
address your answer to this to the care of  
Lord Clancarty, or Mr. Chad, acting during  
His Lordship's absence as Minister Plenipotentiary  
to the Court of the Netherlands, at M<sup>rs</sup>. M<sup>rs</sup>. M<sup>rs</sup>.  
to be delivered to me, as I pass through that  
town, it will be a satisfaction to me, to know  
the Prince Regent's pleasure, upon the two  
points of the Match and the loan of the  
small accommodation, solicited at Kensington  
before I arrived at Calais. - Pray present  
my most affectionate duty to the Prince,  
and believe me ever to remain with sentiments  
of friendship and esteem.

My Dear Bloomsfield:-

Yours faithfully  
Edward

Pt. Captain Comroy of the Royal Artillery,  
having in charge different matters of detail  
for me, against my approaching arrival



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in England, it will be conferring a favor upon  
me, if you approve of the Prince Regent's  
pleasure, upon the two points herein named,  
whenever you have been enabled to obtain  
the same. E

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The Duke of Kent  
15<sup>th</sup> March  
1819.



Duke of Kent to Duke of Cambridge

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House of the English Professor Frankfurt  
the Mayor

Monday morning March 29<sup>th</sup> 1819.

My ever dearest Adeline,

I can now

Sufficiently thank you for having so kindly  
thought of me, in the midst of all your bustle  
in the morning of the 26<sup>th</sup>. Your letter reached  
me here at 10 yesterday morning just as I  
was getting out for Nomburg, & when the joy was  
as fresh as in dearest Victoria's mind to learn  
that your dearest Augusta is safe & our hopes  
completely crowned with success by her. God bless  
you both in our joint cry & pray let us hear  
at Ormskirk any day to the 1<sup>st</sup> unless we  
I wish we shall leave it a gain! know she is going  
on: I think I can to a certainty get answers  
from you to the 8<sup>th</sup> which would be a great con-  
-fort. Say every thing most affectionate from  
Dearest Victoria and



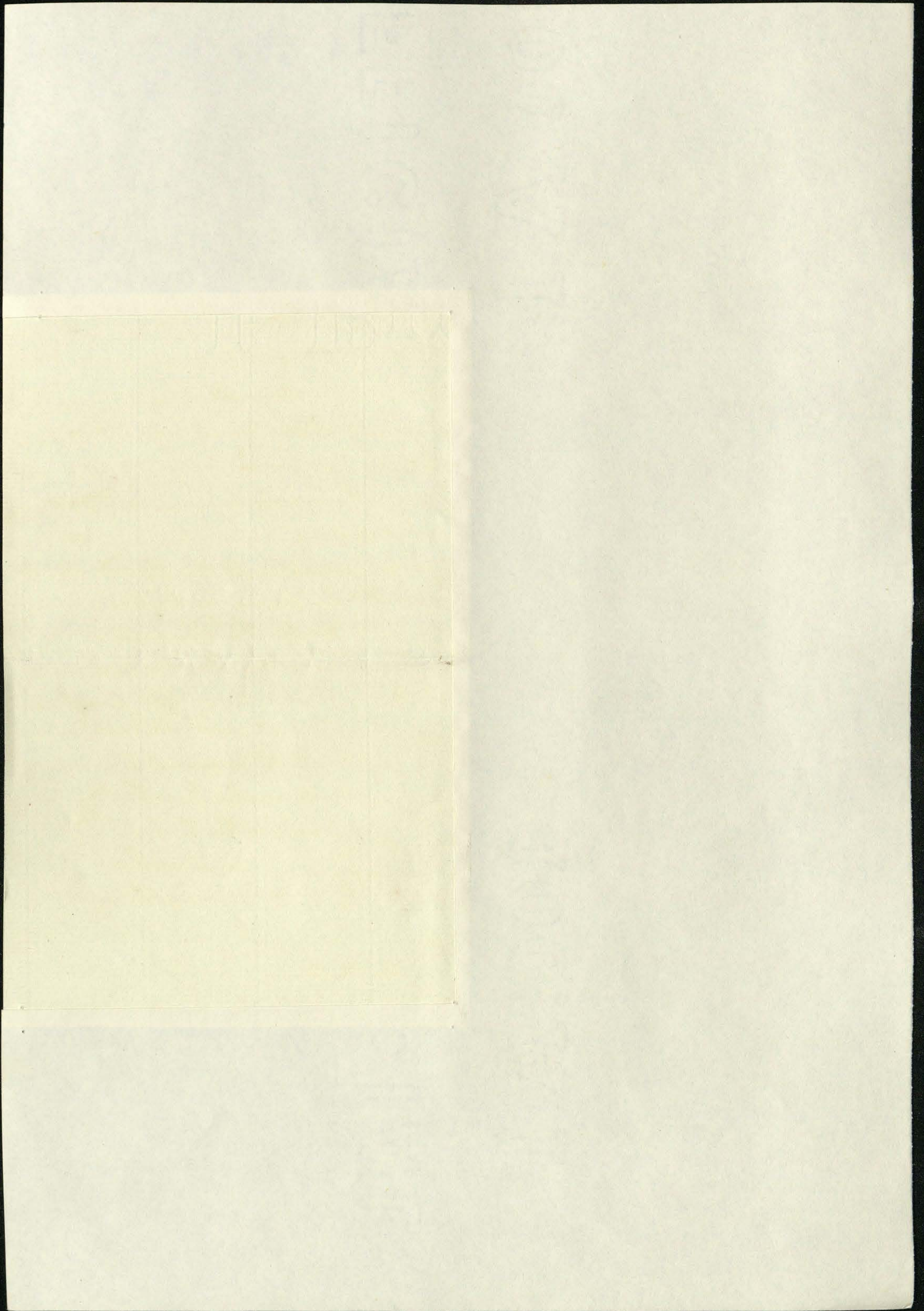
Duke of Kent to Duke of Cambridge

ms. to you dearest Augusta, and exult as  
we are justly falling off for Wiesbaden, on our route  
to Stoltenz, if only add that we are going on  
delightfully, and all promises well, and that  
I will certainly write a gain from Bonnellus.  
I found Eleana in excellent health & looks, all  
happiness & content; she & the Spencer dined with us.

How Adieu, but remembrance to any  
of your Duchess's family & from Therese; and my  
reassurance of the unalterable attachment of your  
and most faithfully devoted & affectionate

Edward







Sir B. Bloomfield to Duke of Kent.

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Sir  
I have had the honor  
to lay before the Prince Regent  
Your Royal Highness's letter  
of the 15<sup>th</sup> ult. announcing  
your intention to return to  
England for the accompaniment  
of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent  
& I have it in command  
to ~~express~~ <sup>assure</sup> you that His Royal  
Highness fully participates in the  
most anxious feelings for  
the safety of the Duchess on so  
critical an occasion, but  
regrets that G. R. H. should  
have judged it expedient  
for Her Royal Highness to  
undertake a journey at  
Her



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An advanced Period; having  
 imagined that G. R. H. had  
 fully considered every  
 circumstance connected  
 with ~~your intended~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~opinion~~  
 -ment upon the Cabinet  
 and which ~~proposed~~ <sup>proposed</sup>  
 had met with His Royal  
 Highness's approbation.

4 which you proposed to  
 G. R. H. to make

The Prince Regent has  
 been pleased to command  
 that the packet be in  
 waiting at Palais on the  
 18<sup>th</sup>. ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> G. R. H.'s  
 orders & H. R. H. has  
 also been pleased to com-  
 -mand that the <sup>further</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>acco-</sup>



Sir B. Bloomfield to Duke of Kent.

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moderation which G. R. H. desires at Kensington be afforded by you for the period of Mr. H. H.'s Confinement.

G. R. H. commands me to convey His affectionate Love to the Duke of Kent & to G. R. H., with His best wishes for your enjoying a safe & agreeable journey

6<sup>th</sup> Apr 19



Duke of Kent

Relative to Appointment of  
Messrs. for the D<sup>y</sup>  
Accommodation

Mr. W. Bloomfield

to

the Duke of Kent

6<sup>th</sup> April

1819.



Duke of Kent to Sir Alexander Mackenzie

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Windsor Palace  
18th Nov. 1819

My Dear Sir Alexander  
I have gratefully to acknow-  
ledge your favor of the 26th. With  
respect to the 30th. receiving the  
copy of your letter to our mutual  
worthy friend Mr Charles Forbes,  
for which fresh marks of your  
friendship, and attachment,  
I beg to express my warmest  
thanks. The Committee of my  
friends met on the 25th, and  
as I understand from General  
Wellhall, were very desirous  
to do all in their power to  
Sir Alexander Mackenzie



Duke of Kent to Sir Alexander Mackenzie

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make me comfortable, but as you  
wrote the 6th before they came  
to any determined resolution, ex-  
pecting that, by that day they  
might be joined by Mr. Pitt's  
and Mr. B. who, when I hope some  
thing will be concluded, satisfactory  
to all parties, and some steps  
taken to improve the two or three  
active Members of the Committee,  
to undertake the business of  
regulating for the sale of Castle  
Hill the way of Fortification, or Raffle,  
upon the propriety of which I  
am quite delighted to find, that  
you so perfectly concur with me  
I am over in the course of last  
week to Devonshire to look out  
for

for a house, that might suit  
for the Duchess to pass the next  
four months in, near the sea,  
to enjoy the benefit of the mild  
air of that part of our Coast,  
and of the tepid Salt Water, and  
I trust we shall be able to ma-  
nage our removal thither in the  
course of this month. In the  
mean while, I know it will give  
you pleasure to learn, that she  
is getting over the effects of wear-  
ing her Surfact, as well as I  
could possibly expect, and that  
our little Pitt does not appear  
to thrive the less, for the change.  
Sincerely hoping that Lady Mackenzie  
will get over her acquaintance  
with



with every possible comfort, and  
with every sentiment of the  
warmest friendship and regard  
for yourself. I remain ever

My Dear Sir Alexander

Yours most faithfully

Edward



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London *postscript* the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 1819

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OF  
DUTY

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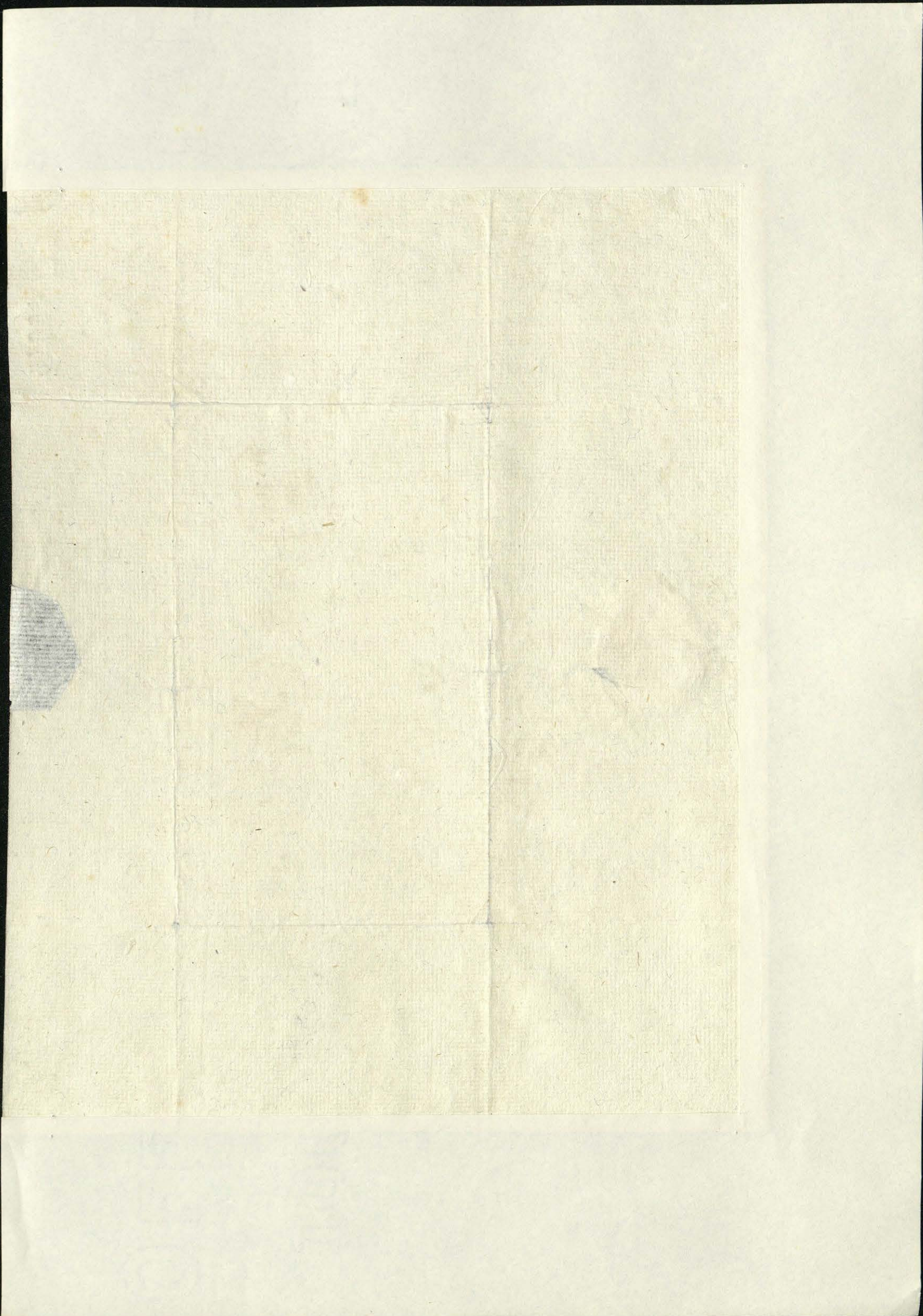
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Copy of letter written by the Duke of Kent  
to Sir Alexander McKenzie

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Kensington Palace

1st Novr 1819.

My dear Sir Alexander

I have gratefully to acknowledge your favour of the 26th ulto received on the 30th, covering the copy of your letter to our mutual worthy friend Mr Charles Forbes, for which fresh mark of your friendship and attachment, I beg to express my warmest thanks.

The Committee of my friends met on the 25th, and as I understand from General Wetherall, evinced every disposition to do all in their power to make me comfortable, but adjourned until the 6th, before they came to any determined resolution, expecting, that by that day they might be joined by Messers Wood and Hume, when I hope everything will be concluded satisfactory to all parties, and some steps taken to empower two or three active members of the Committee to undertake the business of regulating for the sale of Castle Hill by way of Tontine, or raffle, upon the propriety of which I am quite delighted to find that you so perfectly concur with me.

I ran over in the course of last week to Devonshire to look out for a house that might suit the Duchess to pass the next four months in, near the Sea, to enjoy the benefit of the mild air



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of that part of our Coast and of the tepid sea Baths, and I trust we shall be able to manage our remove thither in the course of this month. In the meanwhile, I know it will give you pleasure to learn, that she is getting over the effects of weaning her Infant, as well as I could possibly expect, and that our little child does not appear to thrive the less, for the change.

Sincerely hoping that Lady McKenzie will get over her accouchement with every possible comfort, and with every sentiment of the warmest friendship and regard for yourself I remain ever

My dear Sir Alexander

yours most faithfully

EDWARD

Sir Alexander McKenzie.

Note:- The original of the above letter came into the possession of Mrs Heald, grand-daughter of Sir Alexander McKenzie, and wife of the Rev B. Heald, Headmaster of Midhurst Grammar School.

In view of the reference contained in the letter to the Duke of Kent's "little child", who afterwards became Queen Victoria, Mrs Heald ventured to hope that His Majesty The King would do her the honour of accepting the letter for placing in His Majesty's archives.

April 1822.



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L<sup>ie</sup> Gen. F. A. Wetherall to Sir B. Bloomfield

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Somerset 18<sup>th</sup> July 1820

My Dear Bloomfield,

In obedience to the  
command of the Duchess of Kent, it  
becomes my duty to acquaint you  
for the information of Her Royal Highness  
the Prince Regent, that since Monday  
the 19<sup>th</sup> inst, the Duke has been  
unhappily confined to his room  
under the effects of a severe cold,  
which



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whether for the last day or thro  
have appeared inflammatory  
symptoms of a nature to excite  
considerable anxiety.

Upon my arrival here  
this day, I lost not a moment  
in obtaining the enclosed Professional  
Statement of Her Royal Highness's health  
in order that the Prince Regent  
may be more especially acquainted  
with



L<sup>ieut</sup> Gen. F. A. Wetherall to Sir B. Bloomfield

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with the severe Indisposition  
under which the Duke is suffering,  
and it affords me some satisfaction  
that the Evening Report therein  
given, is more favorable than  
that of the morning. -

I remain

My Dear Bloomfield

Yours most sincerely

F. A. Wetherall

Surgeon

Major General

Sir Benjamin Bloomfield

to

to

to

to



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I will continue to send  
you a daily report until His  
Royal Highness is convalescent.

F. A. W.

W. G.

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[Enclosure]

18 Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1820, 9 o'clock A.M. - 46620

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent experienced last night a considerable increase of his complaint, but we find His R<sup>ty</sup> Highness somewhat better this morning.

J. Wilson

W. G. Manton

18 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1820

9 o'clock P.M. His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent has had some comfortable sleep and is at present in a more favorable state.

J. Wilson

W. G. Manton

Bulletin

10. Jan<sup>y</sup> 1820

H. R. H. The  
Duke of Kent







Genl. Wetherell

19<sup>th</sup> Jan 1820

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Leicester 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 1820

My Dear Bloomfield,

I have with much  
joy for the information  
of His Royal Highness the Prince  
Regent, the Bulletin,  
I send this day on the  
state of the Duke of Kent's  
health, I most happily say  
I that although the  
opinion of His Royal Highness  
Physicians will by no  
means suffer the Friends  
to



to cause a hem out,  
danger, yet that  
I do allow of their  
encouraging hope of  
more sanguine water  
than yesterday -

I remain

My Dear Bloomfield

Your most sincerely

J. A. Wetmore

Dear Genl

Wm

Genl Bloomfield

Or Or Or



[Enclosure]

46622

Sidmouth 19<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1820

10 o'clock A.M.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent has had some tranquil sleep during the night, and his symptoms are rather more favorable than they were yesterday.

J. Wilson W. G. Maton

Evening, 8 o'clock -

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent has not experienced any increase of his complaints since the morning -

J. Wilson W. G. Maton



Bulletin

10<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1826

M. R. M. M.

Duke of Kent



Not to be filmed.

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Exeter 19 January 1820

10 o'clock A.M.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent  
has had some tranquil sleep during the night  
and his symptoms are rather more favourable  
than they were yesterday

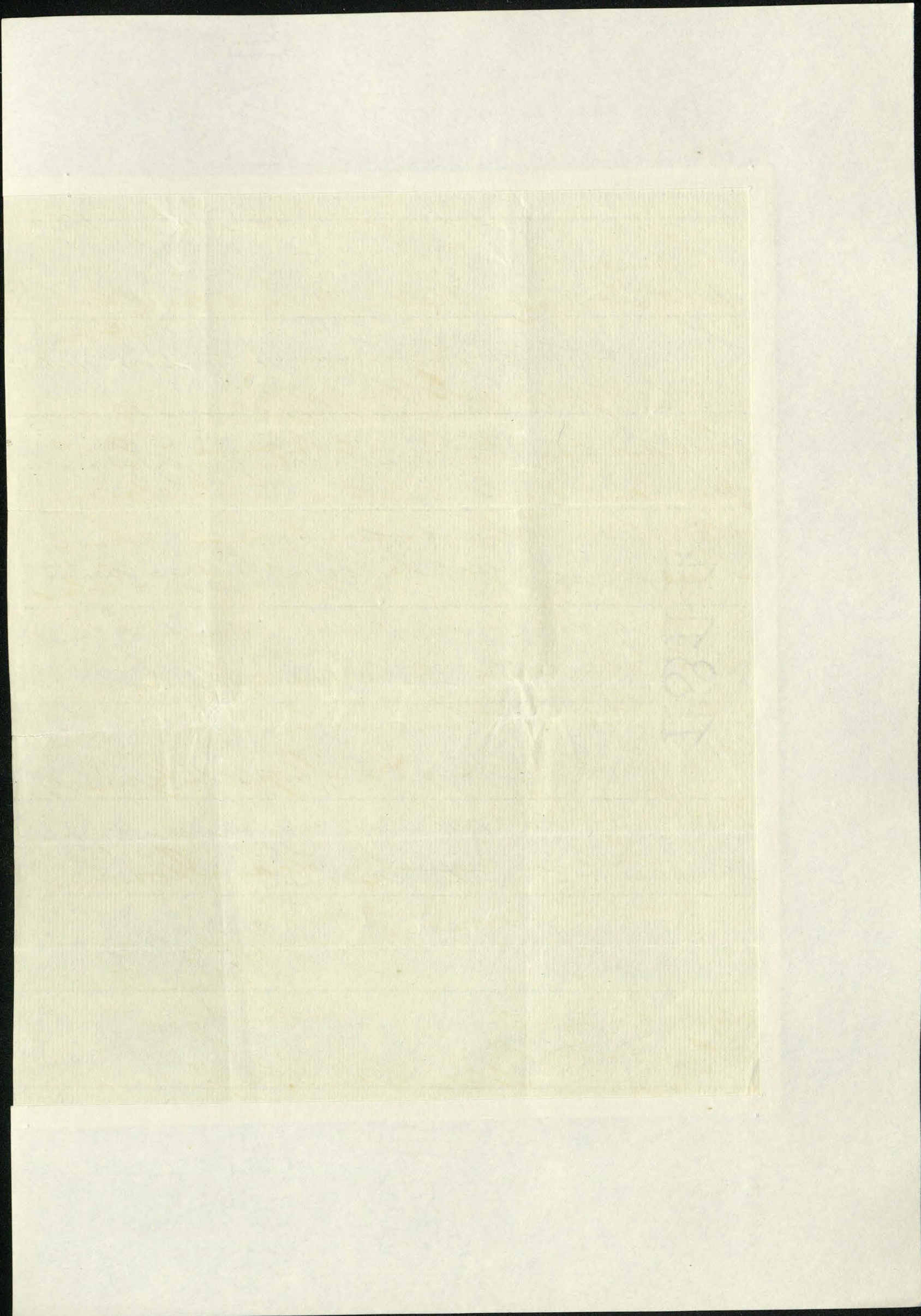
Signed J. Wilson. W. G. Estlin

Evening 8 o'clock

His Royal Highness the Duke of  
Kent has not experienced any increase of his  
Complaint since the morning

Signed J. Wilson. W. G. Estlin







45. Gen. F. A. Wetherall to Sir B. Bloomfield

46623

Sir

20th January 1820 - 72 Kent on 10th  
Am.

My dear Bloomfield,

In addition to the intelligence I gave  
you last night relative to the alarming  
state of the Duke of Kent, and which  
I now send with this express; I also  
inclose a Bulletin just issued - which  
is so calculated to cause attention,  
that I have no time in sending it you,  
to be laid before His Royal Highness  
the Prince Regent.

Believe me my dear Bloomfield,  
most sincerely yours

F. A. Wetherall  
Surgeon

Major General  
The Right Honble  
Sir Benjamin Bloomfield Bt. G. C. G.



Genl. Pitt-Rivers

20. Jan'y 1820

Enclosing Bulletin  
of the Attorney  
State of the Duke  
of Kent at  
Tadmouth



[Enclosure]

46624

Stamouth Devon

29 Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1820, one o'clock A.M.

Since the date of our last Report, His Royal  
Highness the Duke of Kent is become much worse and His  
Danger is considerably Increased.

J. Wilson

W. G. Manton



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L<sup>o</sup> Gen. F. A. Wetherall

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Somerset

21<sup>st</sup> July 1828

My Dear Bloomfield

Enclosed you  
will find the  
Bill of the  
day, issued by the  
Physicians in attendance  
upon the Duke of  
Kent



L<sup>d</sup> Gen. F. A. Wetherall

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News, which I  
request of you to  
lay before His Royal  
Highness the Prince  
Regent, with the  
assurances of my  
most humble Duty  
of the piece, and  
deep

deep regret I feel  
that no more  
decided change of  
a favorable nature  
has taken place  
in the Duke's  
complaints since  
my report of yesterday.  
I remain

My Dear Sonnets  
Your sincerely  
F. A. Wetherall  
Sent by

Wm  
Genl B. Bloomfield



Genl. Witherell

21. Jan'y 1820.



[Enclosure]

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Wimborne 21 Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1820

9 o'clock A.M.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent  
continues much the same as he was yesterday - -

J. Wilson W. G. Manton

8 o'clock P.M.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent has  
passed this day rather more favorably than yesterday.

J. Wilson W. G. Manton

Bulletin

21. Jan<sup>y</sup> 1820

H. R. H. The Duke  
of Kent



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Lt Gen. F. A. Wetherall

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London the 22<sup>nd</sup> Janry 1820  
10 o'clock P.M.

My Dear Bloomfield

I have this moment  
received yours of the 19<sup>th</sup> inst. addressed  
to me at Kensington. I request  
of you to inform Mr. Royal  
Mr. Pinner, Agent with my humble  
duty, that immediately on my  
leaving here on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst. I  
had not time to address you for  
the information upon the state  
in which I found Mr. Royal  
My



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I hope you have long  
since received - I beg  
to observe that your Letter  
has however, imparted to the  
Duke the most heartfelt  
satisfaction, as conveying to  
Him a knowledge of the  
unwearied sollicitude of the  
Prince Regent for his restoration  
to health: - Most deeply  
etc



Lt Gen. F. A. Wellbourn

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As I cannot the melancholy  
duty I have now to perform  
of enclosing to you the  
Bulletin of this evening from  
which it will be seen that  
whatever way, have been  
our papers but for the reports  
sent given by the Physicians,  
accounts of their indulgence  
no longer - The melancholy  
fact is that the Royal Inf  
is now sinking fast, and is  
with



unlikely to survive many  
hours.

I remain

My dear Bloomfield

Yours sincerely

F. A. W. Mitchell

Sancti Spiritus

G. W. Mitchell

27. Jan 1820

Dear Sir

Mr B. Bloomfield

on which Sunday Morning.

The Royal Ass. remains in much the  
the same state, as reported in the last  
Bulletin. — F. A. W.



[Enclosure]

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Somerset 22 Jan'y. 1820

10 o'clock A. M.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent  
has passed a better night, but His Royal Highness still  
continues in a state of great danger -

Wilson W. G. Mason

7 o'clock P. M.

It is most painful to us to have to announce  
that the state of His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent  
is in the highest degree alarming.

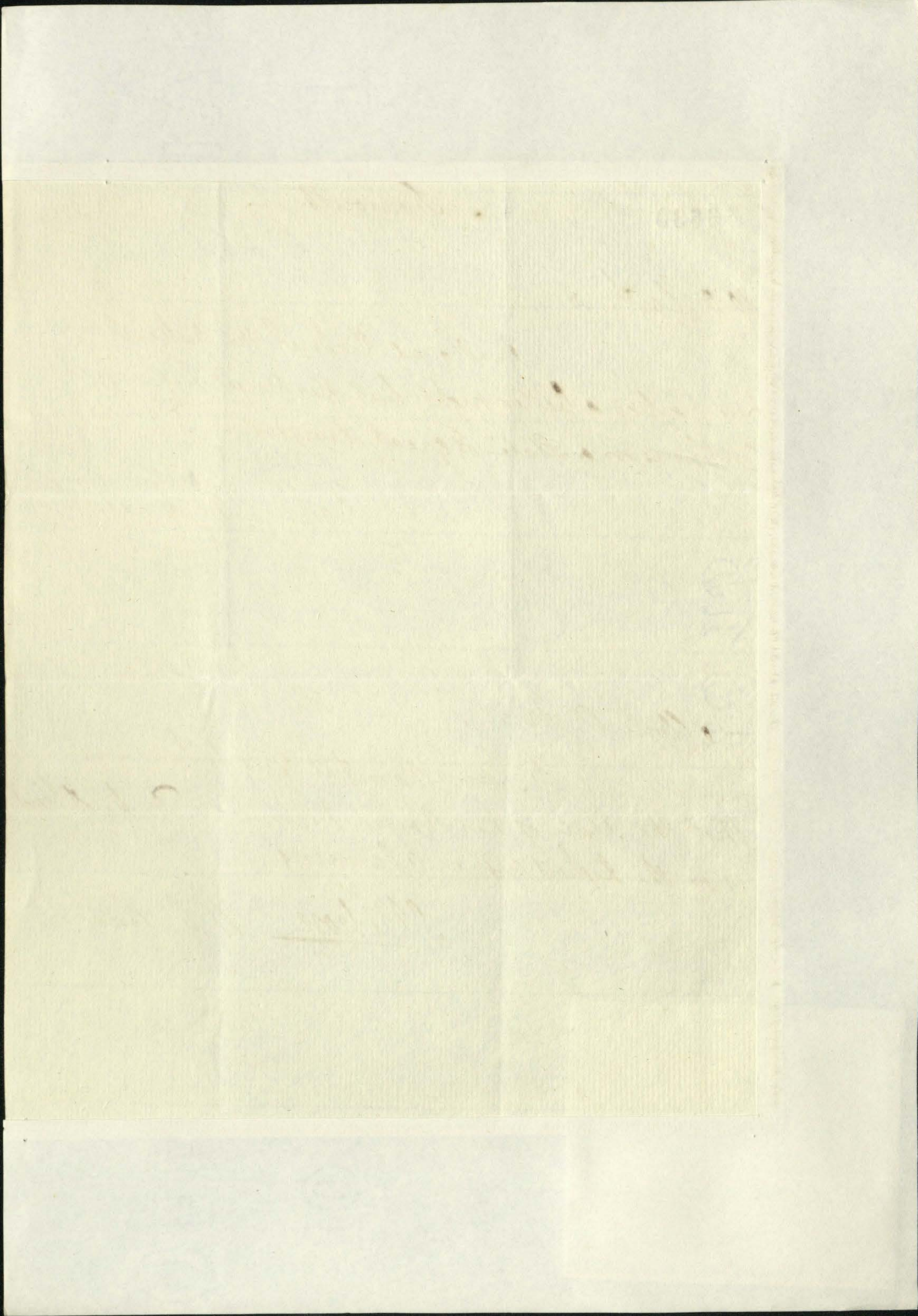
Wilson W. G. Mason

Bulletin

22. Jan'y 1820

H. R. H. The Duke  
of Kent







L<sup>t</sup> Gen. F. A. Wetherall

Copy in Gen. Adm. MSS. 15  
Lester Papers

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Somerset 23<sup>rd</sup> July 1830

My Dear Bloomfield

I have now the  
sad and melancholy duty of  
requainting you for the information  
of His Royal Highness the Prince  
Regent, that His Royal Highness  
the Duke of Kent breathed his  
last this morning at 10 o'clock  
after



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after undergoing a painful  
 struggle during the greater part  
 of the night. The Duke  
 considering the constant fatigues  
 & anxiety which Her Royal Highness  
 has been subjected to for the last  
 fortnight on the invariable  
 attendants upon the Duke, altho  
 much exhausted bears up against  
 the heavy affliction as well as  
 could be expected. The presence  
 of Her Royal Brother the Prince  
 Leopold



L<sup>ieut</sup>. Gen. F. A. Wetherall

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Scapula is a source of much  
support and comfort to Her  
Royal Highness.

I beg to beg my  
humble duty at the feet of the  
Prince Regent, and to say that  
I wait His Royal Highness's  
Command for my future guidance  
upon this melancholy occasion;—  
I have however one request most  
earnestly to make, which is, that  
the Regent will be most  
graciously



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graciously pleased to permit  
me to continue with the  
Remains of my illustrious  
deceased Friends & Patrons until  
such time as the last duties  
are performed. -

Genl. Witherall

23 Jan 1888

Amounting to  
deceased  
The Duke of Devon

My Dear Bloomfield  
Yours sincerely  
F. A. Witherall  
Genl.

Major Genl  
The Right Honble  
Genl B. Bloomfield

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