

The Prince of Wales

to

Lady Elgin

July 14th 1802.

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My dear Lady,

I write a few lines in great haste
as Mr Keith is waiting for my letter to
set off for Plymouth. Your letter would
not have remained so long unanswered, but
I have been out of town for a few days
& am very sorry should the delay have
caused you any inconvenience. There
can be no doubt that I should have been
aware of Mr. Lyndale's most obliging
offer, for which I will beg of you ^{to return}
them my best thanks, & I only lament
you were not permitted there at once on your

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arrival, as I think it would have proved
you much pleasure & trouble. I rejoice
most truly at the good accounts of the
dear Child, who I expect when I come
to Weymouth to see much improved in
strength & in looks. I beg my humble
duty to their Majesties, & am Dear Lady
& Sir,

Your most truly
Lentherd's Son.
July 14th
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George B.

P.S. Pray tell dear Mary that the
same reason has prevented me writing to her
as to you, but that I will write soon, & in the mean
time will do what she has desired me.