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Lady Berkeley

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What a Document had been preserved  
to this Family — And his Royal  
Highness might justly have stated  
that if he could not be the means  
of preserving his Evidence legally —  
that it was his Duty to satisfy the  
Curiosity by all the means in his  
Power and therefore he should not  
be happy until he had created  
his Baron Berkeley under the strongest  
Conviction that he was the Child of  
Misfortune not of Disgrace —  
Every thing good and honorable Sir J.  
Knox says leads a honest Man  
to the above — every thing disgraceful  
attends a contrary conduct — ~~and yet~~  
~~that~~ and I shall be obliged to prove  
that which will be very painful

to me, and which by way means  
in my power. I am trying to  
avoid God bless you - and grant you  
all happiness - burn my letter  
it is confidential - I forgot yesterday  
to ask you if you were aware that  
Lady A is a great ally of a certain  
Lady - and in her husband's time tried  
to get my son to be the same -  
since her death I will not let Baskley  
think of her  
ever your affectionate  
Grand

M Baskley

Cranford House  
July 18<sup>th</sup>  
1814

To care of the Right  
Hon<sup>ble</sup> John M<sup>r</sup> Mahan  
Private