H.M. to Sir Wm. Fawcett

6566 Kew June 2. 1789.

Having collected the Papers regarding Military Arrangements transmitted by the Lord Lieutenant it seems least liable to mistakes to mention the Dates of of the letters and the directions in consequence.

The letter of the 22d. of April 1789. is on a dispute between two Ensigns on the right of Precedence in the 13th Regt. of Foot Ireland Sir Wm Fawcett may be consulted as to what has been the regular practice in England on such occasions as Ireland ought to be subject to that rule. He should also be consulted on the letter of the 2d. of May concerning Captain Magrath and Captain Hall of the 26th respecting their pay, which also must be decided agreeable to the rule followed in the British Army.

The List of Successions of the 2d. of May approved as also the leave of Absence recommended in the letter of the 9th of May.

It is impossible to let Major Dillon retire from the Service and retain his Rank that he ~~may~~ afterwards return to a Lieutenant Colonelcy of Dragoons his remaining Major till the vacancy happens is an uncommon favour [illegible] may be granted (turn over)

the Successions of the 13th. of May require some
enquiry as to the Standing of Captain Compton of
the 4th. Dragoons recommended to be Major of the

Note for Sir H. Hardinge

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Lord Sydney
Lr. 4 June 1789

Grosvenor Square
June 4: 1789
In 30 past 11 A. M.

Having received from Mr Pitt Your Majesty's Gracious determinations concerning me, it remains for me, humbly to desire to know when it shall please Your Majesty, that I should attend You to deliver the Seals into Your Majesty's Hands.

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I am informed, that it would best suit the present State of the Public business, if the change were made tomorrow or on Saturday, if Your Majesty should approve of it.

I am fully sensible, Sir, that Your Favours have been frequently conferred on Persons more deserving of them, and more capable of making a suitable return for them, than the present object of Your Royal Munificence.

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nifsence. At the same time I humbly
hope, that I may be allowed to assure
Your Majesty, that no one ever received
them with more true Gratitude Duty
and Respect. My most ardent Wish is
that the rest my Life may be so employ-
ed, as not to be totally useless to Your
Majesty, and I have the presumption to
hope, that the situations, in which I have
been placed by Your Majesty's Favour
in the House of Lords, and in the Privy
Council, may sometimes furnish me

with

with opportunities of manifesting my constant Zeal for Your Majesty's Service.

I beg leave to take this occasion, which presents itself, of laying at Your Majesty's feet my congratulations on the return of this auspicious day, and join in the Prayers of the rest of Your Majesty's Subjects for many repeated ones with continued Health and Prosperity to Your Majesty. I am with the greatest Respect and Veneration

Your Majesty's
Most Dutiful and
Devoted Servant and
Subject
Sydney

Duke of Queensberry

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Piccadilly, June 6th. 1789.

Sir!

Since my return from France, I was in hopes of having some opportunity of being presented to your Majesty; but not knowing, at present, when that may happen, I hope that your Majesty will permit me to trouble you with a few words, upon an Event which has given me the greatest degree of concern, and for which I was entirely unprepared, because I thought that it never could have happened.

Not having, in any one moment of my Life, departed from that duty and attachment which I always had for your Majesty, both from principle and inclination, and from the many marks of favour and kindness which I have so often experienced, it is painful to me indeed, to think that I should now have fallen so much under Your displeasure; which nothing but the consciousness of my not having deserved it, could enable me to support.

The alteration of your Majesty's health gave to no one more real concern than it did to me; and from the information which I received, I was left almost without a hope of ever seeing your Majesty again: A Regency was to be appointed, and at a time when it was utterly impossible for me to be informed of your Majesty's Sentiments. In these circumstances I had to determine, whether I would support the Heir to the Crown in the Exercise of the Royal Authority;

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during your Majesty's indisposition, or whether I ought to concur with any Party, to render the Administration of the Government difficult, if not impracticable. There could not, upon this occasion, be any question or doubt in my Mind: The Prince was called upon, by the Parliament, and by the Country, to be Regent; and it appeared to me perfectly unjust, and entirely against my Opinion, that He should be deprived of that influence which had always belonged to the Sovereign authority, for the purpose of governing, and which Your Majesty has, upon some occasions, found not more than sufficient for it. — If in these Sentiments I have been so unfortunate as to differ from your Majesty, I can only lament that my Judgement has misled me; but I can never repent of having followed the dictates of my conscience, or not think myself excusable, at least, from the purity of my intention; — And should your Majesty ever be graciously pleased to reconsider this matter, You will not, Sir, be surprised that I think myself treated with a degree of hardship and severity, of which I know your Majesty's own Nature and disposition to be perfectly incapable; for, Sir, I never can admit that I have even for one Moment deserted your Majesty, but, on the contrary, in this instance, as in all others, I have endeavoured to shew my duty and attachment to your Majesty, and the Royal family, independant of all other considerations. I must therefore attribute what has now happened, to some very unfair Representation; but as I never looked up to any Minister for his protection, I do not complain that

that it has been wanting to me upon this occasion, it having been always well known that my attachment was not to Ministers, but to your Majesty alone; — And whether they have given their advice at this time, I do not pretend to know, or desire to consider: But, Sir, I cannot help being sensibly hurt when I have the mortification to find myself so readily given up, by the only person upon whose candour and favorable Judgement I could not doubt that I might safely rely; — and it seems still an additional hardship, not even to have had an opportunity allowed me of saying one word in my justification, previous to so severe a determination.

Sir! Your Majesty will, I hope, forgive me for presuming to think that there is some degree of Reciprocity between the Master and his faithful Servant, even when that Master is a Sovereign: On this presumption I thought myself sure of your Majesty's protection, both from my long Service and Attachment, and from your long experience of the Principle which has always governed my Conduct; And though I am now under the greatest of all Misfortunes, that of having lost your Majesty's favour and good Opinion, I am not without some Comfort, from the consciousness of having been at all times, with the truest Attachment and Sincerity,

Your Majesty's
Dutiful Subject
and faithful Servant
Queensberry

I hope that your Majesty will forgive my having ventured to make use of a Secretary, when it was my Duty to have written every word with my own hand; which I should have done, but that my writing is now extremely difficult to be read.

Copie de la Queen's bury
Sept 6. 1806

Mr Pitt
8th June 1789

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Mr Pitt humbly presumes to acquaint
Your Majesty that Mr Addington was to
day proposed as Speaker by Lord Graham who
was seconded by Mr Grosvenor. Sir Gilbert
Elliott was then proposed by Mr Ellis and
Mr Montagu; some debate then followed,
between Mr Fox and Mr Burke on one
side, and Mr Pitt and Mr Dolben

on the other, after which the Question was put and carried in favor of Mr Addington by a Majority of 215 to 142.

Monday June 8th 1789 - 6 Pm.

Wm. Wyndham

Mr Grenville
June 11. 1759

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Whitehall June 11. 1759 –
11 P.M.

Mr Grenville has the honour to transmit to Your Majesty a Letter which he has received from the Bishop of Gloucester, and on which he requests to be honoured with Your Majesty's commands.

Duke of Leeds

June 13 1789

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The Duke of Leeds humbly begs leave to send your Majesty Mr Trevor's new Credential, agreable to your Majesty's former permission, together with the Warrant for the additional allowance for your Majesty's signature.

Whitehall
June 13. 1789.

Duke of Leeds.

Whitehall — 13th June 1782

Wm. Wyndham Grenville

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Whitehall June 18th 1789.
½ past 1. P.M.

In consequence of the very gracious manner in which Your Majesty was pleased to express Yourself on the subject of Lord Buckingham's going to Bath if it should be found necessary for the recovery of his health, Mr. Grenville takes the Liberty of mentioning to Your Majesty that he has this morning received a letter from Doctor Austin, the Physician who had been sent from hence to attend Lord Buckingham. Mr. Grenville has

has the satisfaction to find that Doctor Austin sees no present danger, but he strongly expresses Lord Buckingham's absolute inability to attend to any business in his present state of health, and the necessity of his being kept from any application, or fatigue of mind. He adds that from the nature of the complaint and from his experience of Lord Buckingham's constitution the Bath waters would be the medicine on which he should most depend for his recovery. Under these circumstances Mr. Grenville presumes to request Your Majesty's leave to transmit to Your Majesty for Your Majesty's approbation a draft of a letter conveying to Lord Buckingham Your Majesty's gracious permission to proceed to Bath for the recovery of his health, and providing for the intermediate administration of

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of Your Majesty's Government in Ireland by Lords Justices. If Your Majesty is graciously pleased to approve of this step, Mr. Grenville will direct the Draft of a Warrant for this purpose to be prepared in the usual form, and will trouble Your Majesty with it tomorrow morning, by a Messenger.

Mr. Grenville begs leave to transmit to Your Majesty the Report of the Lord Justice Clerk of Scotland on the case of a Convict, with the papers relating thereto. Mr. Grenville would not have troubled Your Majesty on this subject, if he had not felt much doubt in his own mind, notwithstanding the opinion of the Judge, whether this man might not be a proper object for Your Majesty's gracious pardon on condition of transportation for life: The theft for

which

which he has been sentenced, not appearing to be accompanied by any circumstance of force, or of breach of Trust; and the returning from Banishment, tho' a considerable aggravation of the Offence, not being, as Mr. Grenville is informed, in itself a Capital Crime by the Laws of Scotland. Mr. Grenville therefore feels it his Duty humbly to request to be honoured with Your Majesty's commands on this Subject.

Mr. Grenville.
at
Whitehall.
18. June 1796.

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Lady Pembroke to the King June 18. 1789

Sir,

I feel very grateful for the favour Your Majesty has granted me, as it certainly adds very greatly to my pleasure in this place which was already one of the chief comforts of my life; and how much more do I feel myself obliged, by the very kind & friendly manner in which it is granted; I really find it too difficult to express myself properly on the subject, I can only say,

that

that I am sincerely thankfull, and that I
hope never to forfeit Your Majesty's frend-
=ship or esteem. – I had not the honour
of Your Majesty's letter, till after my
arrival here, –

I am Your Majesty's
most attach'd
and Dutifull Subject
Eliza: Pembroke

Richmond Park. June 18th
1789

Mr. Grenville.

Whitehall — 20. June 1789.

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Whitehall June 20th 1789.

1. P. M.

Mr. Grenville has the honour of transmitting to Your Majesty a letter which he has received from the Recorder of London, upon which Mr. Grenville humbly requests to be honoured with Your Majesty's commands.

Mr. Grenville begs leave to inform Your Majesty that intelligence has this morning been received of the arrival of Sir Archibald Campbell from Madras.

Mr Pitt
Downing St. 30. June 1789
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Mr Pitt humbly presumes to trouble Your Majesty with a Warrant for granting the Pension which Your Majesty was graciously pleased to approve of to Mr Eden, out of the 4½ pr Cent, in lieu of that which he had been led to expect out of the Civil List, on the Termination of his Foreign Mission. The Sum now granted will amount to 1500 £ pr Ann

ner. – From an intimation which Mr Pitt received from Captn Elphinstone, He expects every Day to leave what is the Sum which His Royal Highness The Duke of Clarence thinks necessary for the first Expences of his Establishment, and will take the Liberty of laying that Information before Your Majesty as soon as He receives it.

Downing Street.
Saturday 20th June 1789

Mr. Grenville
21st June 1789

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Whitehall June 21st 1789 - 11 P.M.

Mr. Grenville has the honour of acquainting Your Majesty that he has seen the Lord Chancellor and that according to His Majesty's commands a Council is summoned for Tuesday at one o'clock at Kew.

Mr. Grenville takes the liberty of requesting to know whether Your Majesty will approve of the Speaker's being then sworn of Your Majesty's Council as has been usual for the persons who have held that situation.

Lord Cowper
June 25. 1709

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Sire

I take the Liberty of troubling your Majesty once more to beg your Majesty would be so gracious as to raise me to a Dukedom either of Kent, Wharton, Cleveland, or Ormond, which last title my unfortunate Uncle enjoyed in Scotland; but in case your Majesty should be determined not to create any more Dukes, then may I intreat you Sire, to create me a Marquis of one of those titles: I should not have presumed to have asked for the former, had it not been to acquire a rank at home, equal to what I have abroad as Prince of the Holy Roman Empire, which title the Emperor conferred upon me with your Majesty's approbation. I have another petition to make to your Majesty, which would make me perfectly happy; it is to make me

your Majesty's Minister at this Court, in case Lord Hervey should retire or be promoted elsewhere, as it is impossible for me after 30 years residence in Italy to live out of it. . . . . permit me, Sire, to congratulate your Majesty upon your happy recovery: and that you may live long, happy and beloved, Sire, as you have been by the best and wisest of mankind, is the prayer of

Sire

Your Majesty's most dutifull Servant and Subject

Nathan Drowning Cowper

Florence 25th June, 1789.

Sir William Dawell
June 26. 1789

One Enclosure

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Adj.t Gen.ls Office, 26.th June, 1789.

Your Majesty's Adj.t Gen.l has the honor to transmit herewith to your Majesty, the Weekly States of the Troops, as usual; — together with Abstracts from Lieu.t Gen.l Mathew's Review Returns of the 48.th Reg.t, & 3.d Batt.n of the 60.th, which were not rec.d at the time, when his last Returns were sent to your Majesty; & which now complete His Review-Returns for this year, of all the Regiments station'd in the Leeward Islands.

A General Return is also enclos'd herewith, of your Majesty's Forces, station'd on the Coast of Coromandel; — together with copy of a Letter, from Maj.r Gen.l Sir Arch.d Campbell, relative thereto.

Your Majesty's Adj.t Gen.l further most humbly presumes, to lay before your Majesty, the Extract of a

a Letter, receiv'd by this Morning's Post, from Lieut. Genl. Pitt, the Commander in Chief of your Majesty's Forces in Ireland —

Enclosure

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Extract of a Letter from Lieut. Genl. Pitt, to Sir Wm. Fawcett, dated, Dublin, 22d. June, 1789.

"I have to inform you with the sudden "Death of Majr. Genl. Paterson; — He was on "his Reviewing Tour, & just getting into his "Carriage, to Review the 8th. Regt. of Light Dragoons, "when He suddenly droopt down, & expir'd immediately, "though to all appearance before, in good health. — "His Death vacates the 28th. Regt. on this Establish-"ment; & I shou'd think it a neglect of my Duty, "if I omitted on this occasion, to mention Majr. Genl. "Prescott, now on the Staff here, whose Merits, & "Service, you must be so well inform'd of, that I "need not point them out to you; & therefore shall "only observe, that his having been a long time Lieut.

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"Colonel to, & having commanded that Regt. on Service
"during the last War, it seems to give Him a strong
"claim to the Regt., exclusive of his other Pretensions.
"He has presented a Memorial, which He has requested
"the Lord Lieutenant to transmit to His Majesty,
"with the Report of the Vacancy."

(sign'd) W. Pitt.

Mr Grenville
June 27. 1789.

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Whitehall June 27th 1789 -
3. P.M.

Mr. Grenville has the honour to transmit to Your Majesty a letter from the Recorder of London on the subject of Blinkworth, & Church, two of the Convicts whose Cases were reported to Your Majesty at the last Council, and who were then ordered for Execution. Mr. Grenville submits whether under the circumstances stated by the Recorder these Persons may not be proper objects of Your Majesty's gracious

Pardon

Pardon, on condition of their being transported for Life.

Mr. Grenville has also the honour of transmitting a Petition from Jones and Denton, two other of the Convicts reported at the last Council, and humbly requests to know your Majesty's Pleasure whether any further Respite should be granted to them for the Purpose mentioned in their Petition.

Sir Geo. Yonge

June 29 1789

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Sir George Yonge has the Honor to Inform your Majesty of the Death of Major General Jones Salerno Colonel of the 28th Regt of Foot, and submits it to

Your Majesty, whether this
would not be a proper occasion
to reward the services of
Lord Balcarras, who has
earnestly requested to be
humbly represented to your

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Sir Geo. Yonge

June 29 1789

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Majesty being anxious to receive this Mark of your Majestys Favor

Wor Office
June 29. 1789
Monday 3 o'clock P.M.

To George Gregg
Esqr
Lane 29. 1808

Wm. Pitt

June 30 1789

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Mr Pitt humbly presumes to acquaint Your Majesty that no further particular Observation has occurred to be submitted to Your Majesty on any of the Articles of the Estimate of the ~~Private~~ Expences of His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence; and as Your Majesty was pleased to approve of it in General, with the Exception of the Suggestion of purchasing a House; and as the Amount of the Estimate, is 5629£

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Mr Pitt conceives Your Majesty may think it right to direct Six Thousand Pounds to be issued for this Purpose; and He therefore takes the Liberty of submitting a Warrant for that Sum. -

Mr Pitt begs leave to add that He received an Intimation thro Capt. Elphinstone, that His Royal Highness, imagined that Your Majesty had once entertained an Idea

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of allowing His Royal Highness the use of the Lodge in Greenwich Park, to which if Your Majesty approved of it, He was desirous of removing different Articles of the Stores now on Board his Ship; and as His Royal Highness signified a Wish that Mr Pitt should submit this Subject to your Majesty's Pleasure, He has thought himself under the Necessity of presuming to give your Majesty this Trouble. - He could in the mean Time

Mr Pitt
June 30. 1789

only express that He was ignorant of your Majesty's Intentions in this respect.

Downing Street.
Tuesday June 30th 1789.