

Mr Pitt  
Hollwood Oct 3. 1797.

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Hollwood

Tuesday Oct 3<sup>d</sup> 1797

Mr Pitt feels great Reluctance in  
troubling your Majesty further on the  
Subject of Peesage, but He thinks it  
his Duty before the Approaching Creation  
takes place to submit an Application  
which he has received from Sir Gilbert  
Elliott, and which He thinks your  
Majesty will approve of his mentioning  
now rather than reserve any Claim

for the future, in order that the door  
may be considered as effectually shut  
for a long Tract of Time. Sir Gilbert  
Elliot states (tho with great Propriety)  
His Services abroad in a very distinguished  
Situation, and under very difficult  
Circumstances, and Mr Pitt on the  
last Examination of the Subject really  
believes them to have been eminently  
meritorious. At the same Time he  
sees but a very precarious and remote

Mr. Pitt

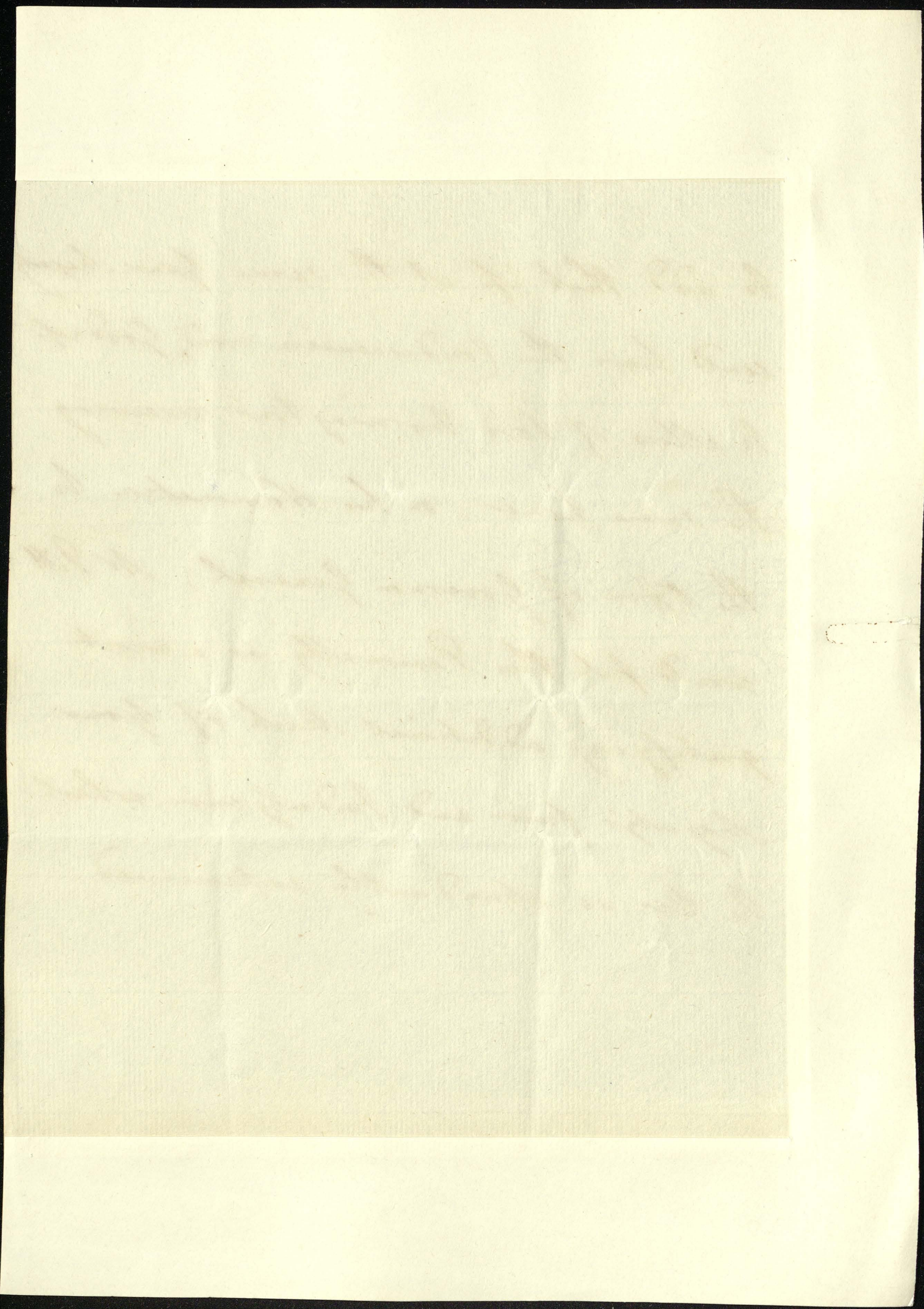
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Prospect of any official Opening, which  
could bring Sir Gilbert forward in  
a suitable Manner, or of finding any  
other Mode of shewing Him Consideration  
and Favor. - If your Majesty should  
feel these Observations a sufficient Induce-  
ment to gratify Him in this essential  
Point; It may fairly be placed to the  
Account of Public Service, and He will  
certainly not be useless in the House of  
Lords, as a Man of Business. - There  
is one other Person whom Mr. Pitt has

hitherto forbore to mention from feeling that  
the Nation to which that Person is destined  
(which would furnish the only ostensible  
Plea for an Application in his favor) would  
strengthen a similar Claim on the Part  
of Sir Gilbert Elliott. But having  
under all the Circumstances thought  
it impossible not to submit the Name  
of the latter to your Majesty, Mr  
Pitt hopes to be forgiven in yielding  
so far to the strong Claims of the closer  
Personal Friendship, as to venture humbly

To add that if at the same time Your Majesty  
could have the Condescension and Goodness  
to allow of Lord Mornington receiving  
the same honor, on his Nomination to  
the Office of Governor General; Mr Pitt  
would feel this Personally as a most  
gratifying additional Mark of Your  
Majesty's favor and Indulgence which  
he has so abundantly experienced.



Baron Geo Steuberg to Jean André De Luc  
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Monsieur,

je ne saurois mon cher Monsieur De Luc, vous laisser partir  
d'ici, sans vous dire encore une fois, que tous mes vœux  
vous accompagnent & vous suivent outre mer. Voyagez  
à arrivois heureusement, & que rien n'altère votre  
contentement & votre bonheur en Angleterre.

Vous nous quittez après avoir recueilli des notes bien  
précieuses dans les trois Congres & intéressantes conver-  
sations que le Duc de Brunswick a desiré avoir avec  
vous, sur la crise politique dans laquelle nous existons,  
elles me paroissent bien mériter d'être connues & appréciées  
en Angleterre. Il seroit peutêtre important, que l'on

*Idées*

Demanda au Duc sur les circonstances du moment, il les a  
profondément méditées, j'ai moi-même récemment pesé  
tout ce qui il vous a dit, et j'ai la conviction absolue, que  
les vues sont exactes, que rien ne peut plus sauver l'Europe,  
*Droits et*  
qu'une nouvelle coalition des puissances, et notamment  
avec la Russie et la Prusse. Ceci ne pourrait s'obtenir  
que par l'Angleterre, elle seule peut encore une fois réunir  
les puissances pour former une forte ligue, contre le plan  
très détestable du Directoire à Paris, de révolutionner et republi-  
caniser le globe entier. Ne nous y trompons pas, rien  
ne leur facilite d'avantage ce dangereux projet, que le  
système actuel des puissances, *favorisé par le Directoire,* de s'isoler. Pour sauver l'Europe,  
il faudrait que les cabinets prennent un peu prompt  
et vigoureuse parti, car il n'y a pas un instant à perdre.



Baron Geo Steuberg to Jean André De Luc  
Enc. 68646-7

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En ramenant la Prusse à prendre une part active à cette  
guerre, j'oit aussi je pense le seul moyen de contenir  
les mal Intentionnés en Allemagne, qui ne demandent  
pas mieux, qu'à imiter la rive gauche du Rhin, et à se  
constituer en République. je ne connois que le Duc  
de Brunswick, qui réunisse le double avantage d'avoir  
la confiance des armées, et de la mériter par son grand  
talent militaire, il n'est pas douteux que la Prusse  
ne le chargeât du commandement de toutes ses troupes,  
comme il l'est déjà de l'armée d'observation.  
je ne saurois assez souvent vous remercier Monsieur, toute  
ma sensibilité, sur la marque d'approbation, que le  
Roi vous a été chargé de me témoigner, sur la conti-  
nuation de mes principes politiques. Abattu comme je le

suis fait tout ce qui se passe en Europe, un seul pouvoit  
relayer & soutenir mon langage. Qui ne peut plus alterer  
mes opinions, & qui jurement m'accompagneront  
jusqu'au tombeau. je suis avec une considération  
distinguée, & un attachement vrai,

Monsieur,

Votre très humble & très  
Assidant serviteur

Gaestenberg

No. 23 - Schloss  
1797.

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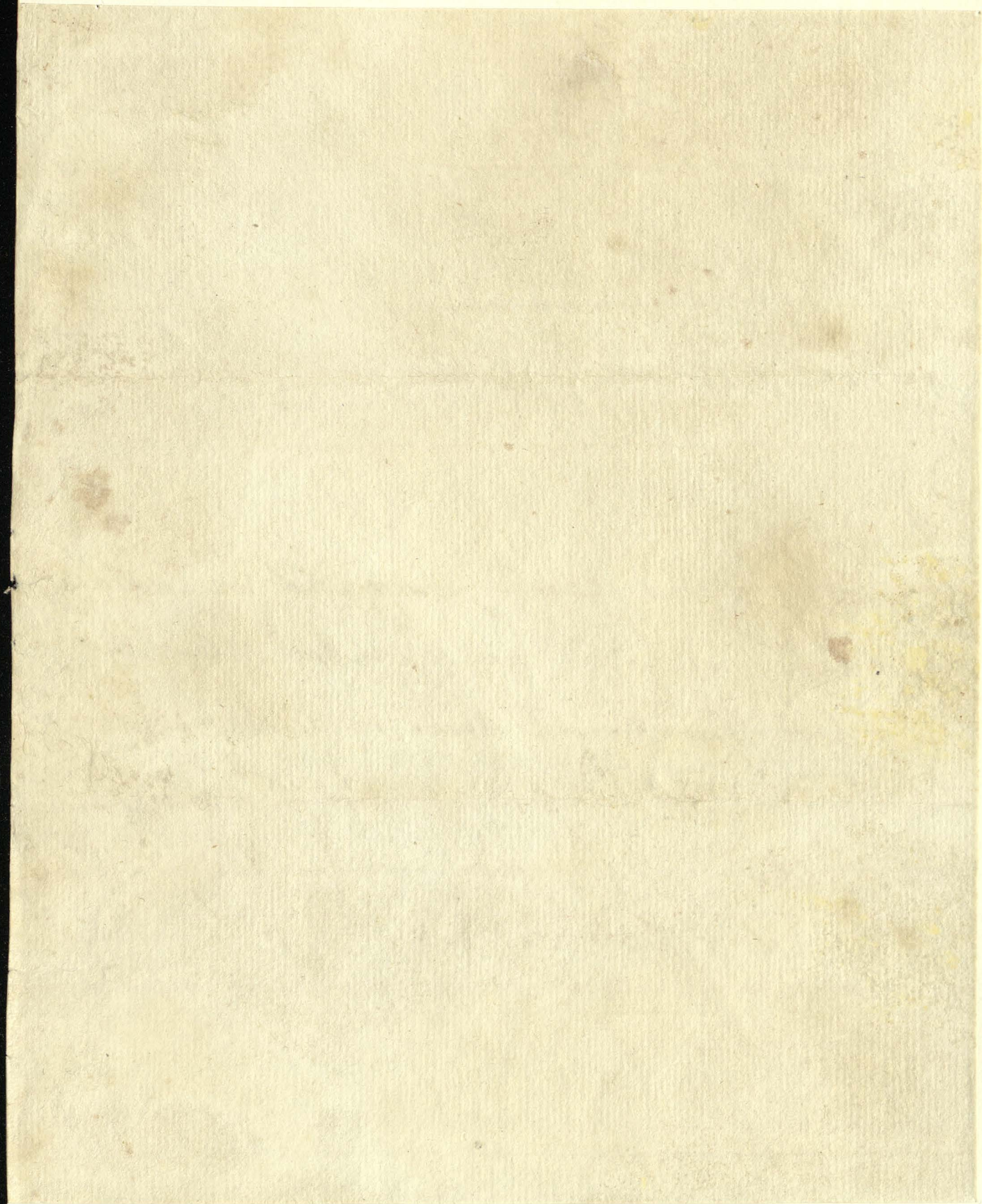
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also whether it is Your Majesty's pleasure that the Gentlemen  
who are to be created Peers may be persuaded to have the  
honour of kissing Your Majesty's Hands on Wednesday next

Paulsbooke

Saturday night 7<sup>th</sup> October 1797



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Lord Westmorland  
 October 9. 1797

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Lord Westmorland has the Honor to  
 represent to your Majesty, that in  
 obedience to your Commands, he wrote  
 to Col Cartwright who will accept  
 with great Pleasure the office of  
 Equerry and feels highly sensible  
 of the Honor of attending your  
 Majesty. L<sup>d</sup> Westmorland waits your  
 Majesty's Commands for carrying  
 your Majesty's Pleasure into execution

Apthorpe  
 October 9: 1797-

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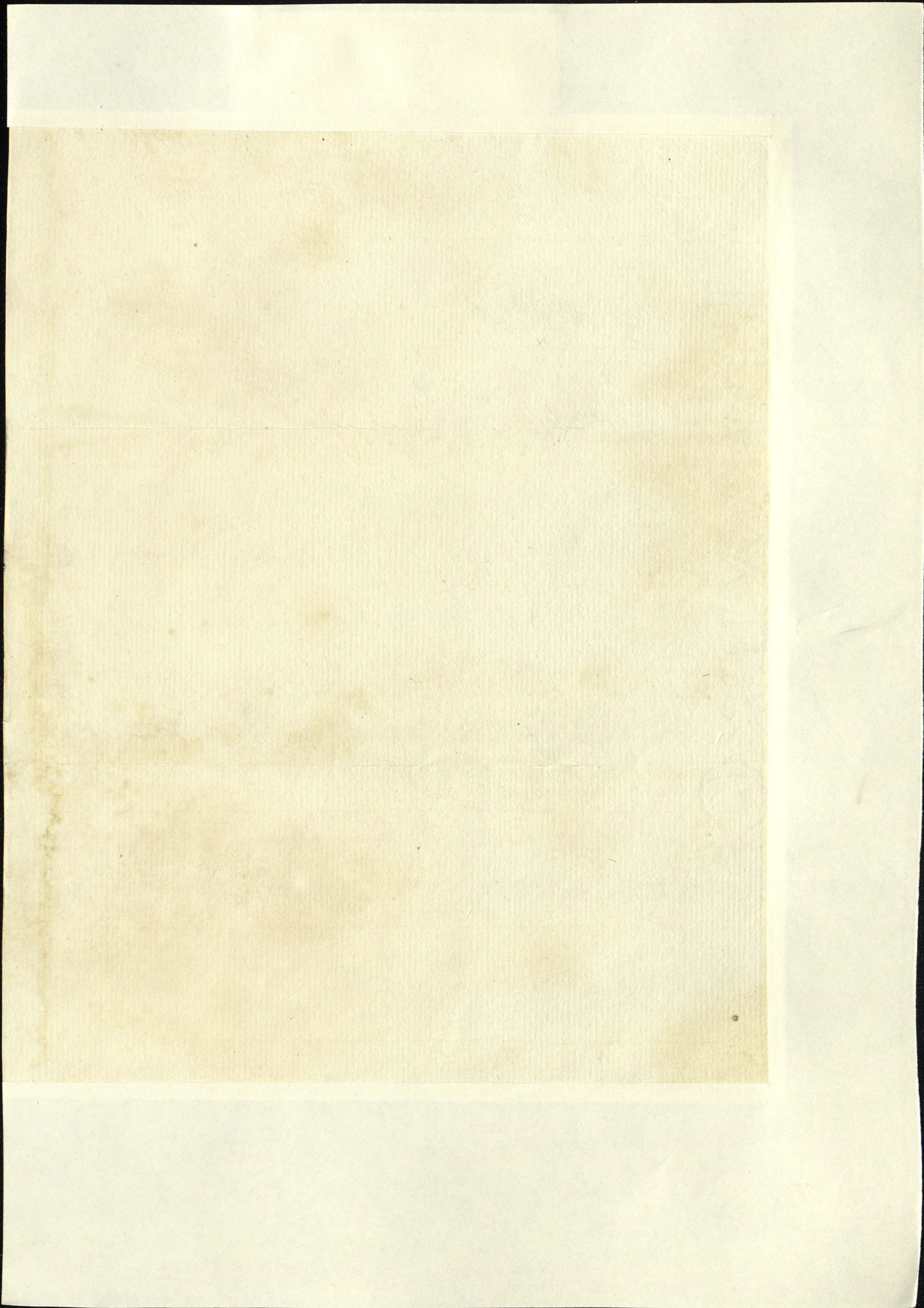
Lord Grenville,  
Downmore 9. Oct. 1797.

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Downmore Oct. 9. 1797.

Lord Grenville has the honour humbly to  
request Your Majesty's permission to remain at  
Wotton, where he is going this morning, till Thursday  
or Friday, if nothing of importance should arise  
in the interval.





The Duke of York

12<sup>th</sup> October 1797

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Horse Guards October 12. 1797

Sir

I have the Honor to acquaint Your Majesty that in consequence of the Orders You were pleased to give me this morning, The East Essex Militia will be ready to be seen by Your Majesty on Langley Down at 10 o'clock on Monday morning the 15<sup>th</sup> Instant.

May I beg to receive Your Majesty's orders, whether You desire that Your Aids & Camp should attend or whether Your Majesty means merely to see the Regiment upon its march.

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your Majesty's

Obedt<sup>t</sup> dutifull son

and Subject

Frederick



Duke of Portland

Oct. 13 1797

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The Duke of Portland ventures to hope that Your Majesty will forgive  
his presumption in availing himself of the opportunity which his Duty of  
laying before Your Majesty the accompanying Despatches gives him, to  
offer to Your Majesty his most humble & most sincere Congratulations on  
the glorious Victory obtained over the Fleet from the Texel by Your  
Majesty's Squadron under Admiral Duncan's Command. an event  
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which while it contributes to Your Majesty's satisfaction in proportion  
as it reflects lustre on His Imperial Character, the Duke of Portland  
may also lead to Your Majesty's more explicit supports by the  
possibility of its opening a prospect of the Restoration of public  
Tranquillity & Order by the convincing & incontrovertible proof & effects  
of the insuperable Superiority in the Display of Goodness of Your  
Majesty's Naval Power—

Bulbode  
Friday night 13<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 1797

Ld. Speer

Oct. 16 1797

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Earl Spencer has the Honour to lay before  
your Majesty the Dispatches brought this morning  
by Captain Fairfax from Admiral Duncan, and  
a private Letter from the Admiral containing  
further Particulars of his glorious Victory over the  
Dutch Fleet, which whether the Force of the  
Enemy & the Resistance they made, the Situation of  
the Fleets with respect to the Shore, or the great  
Proportion of Ships captured be considered, appear to  
be one of the most complete and brilliant Actions in  
the Naval History of Great Britain.

Under these circumstances Earl Spencer feels  
it his indispensable Duty to submit to your Majesty

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The Propriety of conferring a very signal Mark  
of your Majesty's approbation on Admiral Duncan,  
and having a Reference to Dignities that have  
of late been conferred on other great Naval Characters,  
who with all their Merits have certainly not to  
boast of any success like this Victory, he humbly  
expresses his most earnest hope that your Majesty  
will approve of his being created a Viscount of Great  
Britain, an Honour which Paul Mercer can venture  
to assure your Majesty, for the very great Sensation  
which this Victory has excited, will not be considered  
by the Publick as too great for the Occasion.  
The Gentleman Mr Dundas has mentioned for the  
Admiral, and will undertake to fit up a for him is

Ld. Spencer

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Camperdown, which will be a Memorial of the Event  
on which it was captured, and if your Majesty should  
be graciously pleased to approve of this Proposal,  
it may be inserted in the Gazette of tomorrow.

The Conduct of Vice Admiral Onslow is so well spoken  
of, that being second in Command, Earl Spencer humbly  
submits that he should be created a Baronet.

Earl Spencer will have the Honor of presenting, Captain  
Spaifet to your Majesty on Wednesday next, when  
if your Majesty thinks it proper, the honor of Knighthood  
might be conferred on him.

Admiralty 16 Oct: 1797. 10 A.M.

Lord Spencer  
16. October 1797



Ld. Spencer

Oct. 17 1797

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Earl Spencer has the Honour to lay before your Majesty some further Particulars of the late Action which has been received this Day from Captains Drake, Sir Thomas Byrd and Walker who are arriv'd with three of the Dutch Prizes in Greenwich Roads, & though it appears from these Letters that one of the Prizes has unfortunately foundered, he does not doubt that your Majesty will be pleas'd with the Execution which seem to have been made both by your Officers and Men on the occasion.

Earl Spencer has also the Honour to state to

Lord Spencer

17<sup>th</sup> October 1791

Your Majesty, that on finding that Admiral  
Jancar had expressed a Wish to bear his own  
Name for his Title, it was agreed humbly to  
recommend to your Majesty that it might be Viscount  
Jancar of Campden instead of Viscount Campden  
which change has been directed to be inserted in the Gazette  
of this Evening that your Majesty's gracious intentions  
of giving to the Reward the additional Value of £. 100  
coming so readily after the Event, may be fulfilled.

Admiralty 17 Oct: 1791.

Earl Spencer

19<sup>th</sup> October 1798

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Earl Spencer has the honor of laying before  
Your Majesty the Proceedings of a Court  
Martial on several Men of the Glory for  
Mutiny, and is much concerned to be so soon  
again under the Necessity of recommending to  
your Majesty another numerous Execution, but the  
Cases of the eight Men who are by the instant  
Proceedings sentenced to Death seem so atrocious  
that Earl Spencer does not see any opening for  
the Extension of your Majesty's Mercy towards them,

and is therefore reluctantly obliged humbly to  
submit to your Majesty that the Law should  
take its Course.

Admiralty 19 Oct: 1798.

Ld. Spencer

Oct. 19 1797

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Earl Spencer has the Honour to acquaint your  
Majesty that the Royal Charlotte Yacht  
will be ready to receive your Majesty on board  
by about the latter End of next Week, and with  
the Augusta Yacht already in Commission, and the  
Mary which will be ready in three or four Days  
will, as Earl Spencer presumes, be sufficient for  
the Purpose of accommodating your Majesty and  
your attendants in the proposed Visit to the Fleet  
at the Nile. As it is probable that a few  
Days may be requisite to prepare the Fleet for

the Honor which your Majesty intend, them, Earl  
Mercer humbly submits whether Monday evening  
the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant might not be a proper Day to  
set upon for the purpose, when your Majesty  
may embark either at Greenwich or Gravesend which  
ever may be most convenient.

Earl Mercer proposes to give the temporary Command  
of the Royal Charlotte Yacht to Captain Tallope  
as a Complement due to him as senior Captain of  
the Fleet under Lord Duncan in the Action, and as  
his Ship the Rufel having necessarily been ordered to  
go to Plymouth to refit, that Officer would otherwise  
be deprived of the advantage of waiting on your Majesty

Ld. Spencer

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on this occasion. Should your Majesty be pleased to approve of this arrangement, the Commission for Captain Frolope to command the Yacht shall be immediately made out, & he shall be sent for to Town to expedite the Equipment.

Earl Spencer will have the Honour of receiving your Majesty's further Commands on this Subject on Wednesday at 11 o'clock, & has the satisfaction of informing your Majesty that there are now six Dutch Prizes in Yarmouth Road, and the Montagu and Isis not being yet arrived, it is to be hoped that they will bring in some more of them.

Admiralty. 19 Oct. 1797.

Carl Thompson  
Admiralty - 19 Dec 1997



Duke of Portland

Oct. 19 1797

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The Duke of Portland humbly begs leave to inform your Majesty  
that the Corporation of the City of London have voted an Address to  
your Majesty upon Admiral Duncan's Victory; & have ordered  
the Sheriffs to inform themselves at what time they may be permitted  
to receive your Majesty's pleasure respecting the day & hour at which  
your Majesty will appoint to be attended with this Address.

The Duke of Portland has been given to understand that the  
Sheriffs will be at Windsor tomorrow unless they are stopped, & that next  
Wednesday

Wednesday is a day which is as free from publick Councils as any can  
be in such a City as London. The D<sup>y</sup> of Portland has therefore presumed to  
submit it as his opinion to the City Remembrances that Your Majesty  
would probably, be pleased to signify Your Commands to the Sheriffs  
in the course of tomorrow, & might be graciously pleas'd to receive  
this Address on Wednesday next at St. James's

Walshode

Thursday night 19<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 1797

Jean André Deluc

Oct. 19 1797

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Sire

L'importance seule des choses que j'ai vues & entendues durant mon court séjour en Allemagne, pourroit me conduire à Lui demander la grâce de m'entendre sur ces objets. Si <sup>je</sup> prends à cet égard une liberté que Votre Majesté désapprouve, je Lui demande humblement de la pardonner au zèle pur qui m'anime pour Elle, pour ses Peuples, tant du Continent que de ces Isles encore sauvées par son éminent caractère, & pour toute l'Humanité, aujourd'hui dans une crise d'où dépendra indubitablement son sort final.

Quand les ordres de la Reine m'ont conduit à Hanovre, j'y suis allé avec la résolution de me tenir entièrement à l'écart des choses auxquelles je n'avois rien à faire de droit. Mais cela ne m'a pas été possible; car les personnes dans lesquelles Votre Majesté place le plus de confiance, & qui me font la grâce de m'en témoigner, n'ont pas voulu me laisser ainsi à l'écart; elles m'ont permis à profiter de mon séjour, pour m'instruire de choses qu'on n'apprend bien que par soi-même, & pour tâcher de me mettre à portée de faire quelque bien, là où le mal menace de toute part.

C'est ainsi qu'en particulier on me sollicitoit de m'approcher du Duc de Brunswick, tandis que de l'autre il me recherchoit avec empressement, & que j'ai eu avec lui les entretiens les plus importants tant à Brunswick qu'à Hanovre. J'ai agi en cela avec toutes les précautions dont j'étois capable; je n'ai pas fait un pas sans les directions & les instances de M. de Steinberg, & c'est lui-même qui desiré que Votre Majesté daigne m'entendre sur ce que j'ai appris dans ces occasions. Votre Majesté pourra le voir dans la lettre qu'il me fit l'honneur de m'écrire la veille de mon départ, & que je prends la liberté de joindre ici. (8632)

J'en donc Supplier Votre Majesté de daigner m'accorder, en une ou plusieurs fois, le temps nécessaire pour lui développer tout le mal qui existe & qu'on ne connoît ici que bien imparfaitement; mais en même temys les remèdes qu'y voient encore les personnes que des informations trompées & provenant d'ignorance d'insouciance ou d'entêtement, ainsi que le manque du concours de leurs collègues, ont tenu jus qu'ici dans l'impossibilité d'arrêter le mal qu'ils prevoient; desorte qu'il est arrivé pres que à son comble. Mais cette circonstance même peut aujourd'hui devenir favorable;

Jean André Deluc

Oct. 19 1797

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beaucoup de gens, séduits auparavant ou endormis, ont déjà ouvert les yeux; l'indifférence, chez un très grand nombre, commence à faire place à la crainte, & il est des mesures possibles, qui, avec l'assistance divine, pourroient encore tout sauver. M. de Steinberg indique dans sa Lettre les points les plus essentiels dont il desire que Votre Majesté veuille bien entendre de moi les détails, & pour les quels ainsi je prends la liberté de lui demander quelques unes de ses heures de loisir dans les momens où Elle le jugera convenable.

Je suis avec un profond respect

Sire

de Votre Majesté

Le 19<sup>e</sup> Octobre 1797.

Le très humble & très soumis  
Serviteur & Sujet  
Deluc

le Duc de Brunswick,  
que j'ai eu avec lui  
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Mr. Justice

19. Oct. 1797

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Ld. Bp. of Worcester Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 1797

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Hartlebury Oct<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1797

Sir

I have the honour to receive this day a packet from Windsor, containing fresh marks of your Majesty's gracious remembrance of me<sup>th</sup>, the annual Göttingen prizes for 1793 & 1797; with which is inclosed a Letter of singular goodness & consideration from your Majesty, dated Windsor October the 19<sup>th</sup>. For these marks of grace I humbly beg leave to present my most grateful acknowledgments to your Majesty.

Permit me, Sir, to join my feeble voice to the acclamations of all your people on the late decisive action off Camperdown on the coast of Holland. May we all be wise enough to ascribe this glorious success to its proper cause! Your Majesty shows us the way of doing this by ordering a ~~day~~ a Thanksgiving to be observed on the occasion, and one that will take in the remembrance of your late naval victory, as well as the present. The neglect of religion, as your Majesty truly observes, is the bane of civil society, & has produced the dreadful state of it we now contemplate in most parts of Europe. Almighty God grant that this experience may make one nation at least, wise; & increase the love and reverence it now so justly bears to its own excellent King and Constitution.

I cannot conclude the trouble I am now giving  
your Majesty without desiring leave to add my humble congra-  
tulations on the late Royal marriage; to which I hope it will  
please God to give his blessing, to the furtherance of your  
Majesty's, & the Royal family's, domestic happiness.

I am, with the deepest sense of your Majesty's  
goodness to an old unprofitable servant,

Sir,

Your Majesty's most obliged and  
most humble subject & Chaplain

A. Worcester