

Col. Rich^d Cremille

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Sir

Hanover Decemb^r 30th 1781

I take the opportunity of General Sawcetts returning to England to do myself the honour of sending Your Majesty these few lines. I was extremely happy to find by a letter I received from Genl Freytag by the last post, that Your Majesty highly approved of the Prince's having attended the funeral procession of the late Field Marshall, His Royal Highness thought that this attention wd be pleasing to the family, & that it was due to the high character, & long services of the deceased.

As Your Majesty has more than once encouraged me to deliver my opinion, & observations concerning the best interests of His Royal Highness's character I cannot help remarking to Your Majesty a defect which I recollect Your Majesty was pleased to hint to me before I left England, I shd find

in the Prince, namely the want of feeling sufficiently
the dignity belonging to His Rank, Character, &
situation in life, the true line between a
becoming affability, & too great a familiarity is difficult
to hit, & I must confess His Royal Highness is
too apt at times to forget the Prince, & to adopt
too much the style of the hearty fellow with me,
(if I may be allowed the expression) which by no means
suits with His Royal Highnesses situation, it is
to be hoped however that these inattentions, which
proceed from the vivacity of youth, & great openness
of temper, will naturally decrease upon acquiring
a little more experience of the world, & from seeing
in the course of his travels the different manners
& styles of behaviour of Princes at foreign Courts.
I flatter myself Your Majesty will do me the
justice to believe that I shall use every endeavour

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to correct this failing, which may perhaps take
up some time to accomplish, but of which I
by no means despair,

I have the honour to be
Your Majesty's most
dutiful Subject, & Servant
Rich^d Grenville

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Col. Grenville
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