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Extracts of a Letter from Sir John Macpherson to H. R. Highness
the Prince of Wales. — Mayence, 27th Sept: 1790.

The excellent King of Naples, who without any obligation to the Schools or the Arts is a most agreeable and respectable Character — is to be at the Coronation. I had the happiness of seeing him drink an extraordinary Bottle of Monte-Rosso to your R. H.'s health; nor would I be surpris'd if some bright Summers Day he was before long to be seen in sight of Brighton, in one of his Marine Expeditions.

I can scarcely hope that your R. H. will take the trouble to read so long a Letter as this has become. I wish I had any other and a better opportunity of shewing my attachment to him to whom it is addressed — The more I see of the Courts and the Princes of Europe the more am I sensible of those Superiorities, which have won the Devotion of my attachment at home. He is destined for more than the honor and Happiness of the Kingdoms which are one day to be his own — He possesses that Union of Disposition and Talent which operating from the heart will have a most Extensive and powerful effect for the good of Mankind in a future Day and from the hereditary Eminence.

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The Frenchman, the Italian and the German who hear how elegantly he speaks their respective Languages think severally that he learned them for their separate Good. The Scholar extends his Views, when he hears that what Homer sung, and Virgil and Horace inspired is so perfectly understood. The Ex-Representative of Timur likewise has not his reveries upon these Subjects in vain. He would wish to see every Court in Europe if his Affairs permitted him, and on his return his Ideas might be of use if they in any degree corresponded with his attachment and devoted Esteem —

What can he say more?

To Colonel Macintosh
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