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Dec. 1826. Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> 26

My dear Greenwood

I regret that there was no Post  
to London last night that I might  
have sooner offered to you my  
warmest Thanks for your most  
kind & friendly Letter of Friday  
& for the truly gratifying Intelligence  
contained in it. Allow me to  
renew to you an Assurance of how  
sensibly I feel the great Interest  
you have the goodness to take  
in every thing that concerns me  
& the Gratitude & Kindness you

have shown me upon the occasion  
to which your letter alludes -

I have now to express to you my  
best acknowledgements for  
another very obliging letter which  
I had this morning the pleasure  
of receiving & that in the Post since  
to my last I said that the Duke  
would be acceptable to you  
you that I shall truly prefer  
the Government of Plymouth.

I must conclude my recollections  
was to be lamented I said Lord Hastings

a natural loss, but to myself who  
during such a number of years  
had the happiness of enjoying the  
steady Friendship of that great Man,  
it is a great private loss -

I am delighted to think that  
you will come down to us on the  
27<sup>th</sup> & the Duchess desires me to  
say that she looks forward with  
much pleasure to seeing you here

How much do you imagine  
that the Government of Plymouth  
is worth in Time of Peace & how  
much in Time of War?

Dear with the sincerest esteem  
and attachment

My dear Greenwood

And truly yours

William Frederick