

Nathaniel Curzon to ? Lord Bute

Nov. 9. 1760

My Lord

The Civilities I have always receiv'd from your Lordship encourage me to take the Liberty of making known to you an antient claim to a Peerage which has been in my Family, & to beg the favour of you if you think the pretensions reasonable & well founded, as I trust you will on Examination, that you will be pleas'd to lay my request with my most humble Duty ~~before~~ at his Majesty's feet. I have troubled your Lordship with a State of my family's pretensions which was

drawn in answer to a claim which Mr.  
Kynaston made to the same Passage, which  
he afterwards dropt; My father's indifference  
to these matters together with his disinclination  
to Sir Rob.<sup>th</sup> Walpole occasion'd these p<sup>re</sup>ten-  
sions to be almost dormant during his  
very long life. The Pedigree which your  
Lordship will find annex'd was drawn by  
the Somerset Herald from the most Authen-  
tick Records. Till very lately the Title  
was said to be in Abeyance during the life  
of two Ladies who were descended from the  
second daughter, & who are mention'd in  
the pedigree by the Names of Diana &

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Warrior, they are lately dead without you.

I have now only to assure your Lordship that  
whatever favours his Majesty may be pleas'd  
to shew me on this Occasion will not be misplaced,  
& I shall always be happy in exerting on every  
occasion the Influence of myself & family in  
the support of his Majesty's Government.

I beg leave, at the same time, to assure your Lordship  
that I am, with the greatest Esteem,  
My Lord,

Your Lordship's

Most Obed. & most hum. Servant

Nathl. Curzon

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