

London 26th February 1796

My Lord,

As Concerns of a public Nature so much
engross your Attention, they may not have left your
Lordship leisure to recollect what I had the honor to
state, with respect to the Nature & Length of my
Services abroad, in the Barrack Department - I
therefore beg your Lordship's permission to repeat, what
I had the honor formerly to mention to you, on that
subject. which is, that since 1777 - I have filled the
Place of Barrack Master for the Island of Newfoundland,
& did the Duty of it, during the whole of last War, &
have constantly, except during one Season, resided in
that Country in time of Peace, & till of late, that
from the extreame severity of the Climate, & the
Advanced time of life I am arrived at, - I had
permission to come home, for the Recovery of my health.

and foreseeing that I shall be no ways able to stand more the
Scarcity of the Season, on that Station, I would humbly beg
permission to relinquish my Situation there, I have in Exchange
an Appointment to any of the Barracks in Britain, having no
other Dependance for a Decent Support, in my Decline of Life.

I beg, My Lord, leave to refer to all his Majesty's Governors
who have been on that Station, as to the propriety of my Conduct
in the discharge of my Duty, humbly hoping, that my long
Services, may give me some Claim, on the Censure of his Majesty's
Ministers, to make the Provision for me, that I now take the
Liberty to sollicite, I entreat your Lordship, will be so good, as lay
them before the Secretary at War. — I have the honor to be

My Lord —

Your Lordship's,
Most Obedient &
most humbled servant.

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