

43 Chorlton Row
 Manchester, Sept 17/69

My Dear Sir Wm.

Sir Patrick Cambridge honors
 are evidence of his high attainments,
 Heidelberg as a rule only represents
 so much money. My Cousin (a
 Church of England Clergyman) was told
 of a Professor of German here that he
 would procure him the title of
 "Doctor" for £30. He would want
 him to write a Latin essay, with
 which he was quite willing to help him.

Sir Patrick's other honors are somewhat
 calculated to brain his mind against
 the Prince, & as he is quite as
 likely to make an error of judgment
 as I myself, I should not
 individually feel disposed to defer
 to any of his objections. It would
 however be greatly to the Prince's
 interests to obtain an ally like

Sir Patrick - I think you will be
sure to find that the forthcoming
Genealogy will remove all reasonable
objections. Should there then be
any deficiency I will do what
I can to get you the necessary
information. Sir Patrick must
be well aware that prior to the
independence of Greece, the P.
at Ohio must have adorned in
that Island an claim to the
throne of Constantinople however
good that claim might have been.

Mother wanted me to go to Edinburgh
to take the Royal Order next month &
try to establish a Chapter in Manchester,
in latter I do not think very advisable
as it is only making confusion worse
confused - The R.O. he explains
- N.H.M. - Red Cup of King's Sword
R.S. & C.S.S. - The R.O. Cross
the ceremonies being almost identical.

They were he explained very particular who they admitted,
& it was 'as difficult to get in as to enter heaven' -
which I mention to you because the particularity
seems to have nothing to do with a man's attainments,
but with his character as a 'jolly fellow' - Lord Haddam
(- I think I made no mistake in the name) having
been held up by a person on each side of him when
he read the O.B., when my friend took the degree,
the only part of the ceremony he received. All the
High Grades being in the hands of 3 Men or so.
All names have to be submitted to a Committee &
if approved, they call a meeting. He offered
to send in mine & said it would not matter, if
he did so, whether I came forward or not, as I
could get the order at any time, if once passed
by the Committee.

I should say the Premier has no
Oxford Commerce Connections. The
Library seemed to be running in
his head when he last wrote me
& he may be then making some
researches for his work - I had
not seen him for 10 days before
he wrote went - I think he
has nothing to do with the
business as all is done by
his brother. He seems to take
no part beyond the name.

Excuse haste as I have
3 or 4 friends waiting to accompany
to the theatre.

Yours faithfully
James

John Lubbock