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Madam



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Edin June 2<sup>d</sup> 1771

It gives me real concern that I cannot comply  
with your Request, because there is no Person I could have a  
great Inclination to Oblige. The case is shortly this:  
Dr Dick was my Old Friend & Companion at Leiden, where  
I came to Edinburgh he exerted himself much to procure  
me the Place I now enjoy in the College. I was applied for  
my Interest in his favour some time since which Gratitude  
as well as our former Friendship obliged me to promise.  
When I have told you this I am sure your own Heart will  
acquaint me for giving him my Vote. You are the first who ever asked  
it for Mr Brown a Gentleman whom I think extremely well of &  
I would have been glad to have served. I am with the most  
perfect Esteem, Madam, your obliged & faithful Servant  
J. Gregory



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Mrs. Nancy Ord

Dr. Gregory

Dear

In favour of Sir John

Dr. Gregory  
21 June 1771