

so common a supposition, as that the Judge did
"not appear to wish it to be carried into effect."

In his former conversation with you, if I understood
you right, his language was, that had it been a new
thing it would have had his support: but that after
what had passed in relation to it under the former
Administration, he ~~did not~~ questioned whether it
would be advisable for the present Administration to
go on with it: which is as much as to say, he
could have given it his support, had not the public faith
been pledged for carrying it into effect. It appears to me
that his Lordship has not suffered to pass unimproved
the interval between the two answers: the second seems
much better imagined than the first.

And the storming party? - His Lordship's answer
we were both of us (I believe) sufficiently prepared for:
I am sure I was: the grand globe of compression was
to be let off in the Westminster clock. You will have the
goodness to remember, that from the first I had never any
expectation from his Lordship of any thing better than
this came. I knew full well the force of the secret influence
it was impossible for me to doubt of his disposition to ^{quit every thing} do it.
The only chance of his determining to do his duty was
that of his feeling himself pinned down to it by the
force of fear and shame: ^{which is usually the case with the other.} Yours most obedient,
Sir C. Bury, George P. M. C.

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To his Chas Bunsby.

Dear Sir 2¹/₂ P. 17 June 1803.

In Lord Pelham's answer I saw nothing at all wonderful or unexpected. On the part of the Judges, approbation of the measure, though not an exclusive one, but no disposition to take an active part in that or any thing else that they were not obliged to think of. Such was their disposition as reported to me from more quarters than one. Supposing not one of them to have been forward enough to begin the conversation with Lord Pelham, that negative circumstance, accompanied with the usual political reasons, ^{would} be sufficient to warrant him according to his conception of political utility, in forming