

TO THE  
*INDEPENDENT ELECTORS*  
OF THE  
**Borough of Lewes.**

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GENTLEMEN,

WHEN I first solicited your Suffrages, and obtained the Honor of representing you in Parliament, I engaged to attend to the Duties of the Station in which you placed me, with Zeal, Integrity, and INDEPENDENCE.

I have redeemed my Pledge ;—I have served you FAITHFULLY and INDEPENDENTLY, and now that I find my domestic Habits and present Pursuits prevent a Continuance of the same exclusive Devotion of my Time to the Public Service, sooner than it should suffer through my NEGLECT, *I resign my Seat into your Hands*, to be filled by another Member of your OWN CHOICE.

Be assured that you will ever be remembered by me, with Feelings of *Gratitude* ; indeed, I cannot easily forget the Kindness my Family have so long experienced at your Hands.

As you will soon be called to exercise your Elective Franchise, allow me to remind you, that sound, religious Principles, both in Public and in Private, are the only securities for *Integrity* and *Independence*, and that a steady Opposition to the Roman Catholic Claims, is the leading, political Sentiment requisite in a Representative in Parliament for an independent Protestant Borough.

Wishing you all every Blessing that can flow from the constitutional Privileges you enjoy, both civil and religious, and that both may be preserved to you, and rightly valued by you,

I have the Honour to remain, with great Respect,  
Gentlemen,

Your obedient and faithful Servant,

THOMAS READ KEMP.

Wick-House, near Brighton,  
Feb. 29, 1816.