

Syra 4th June 1863

My dear Dr. Will,

I am extremely
obliged to you for having
remembered me with
your friendly letter; &
the more so as I am your
debtor in our correspondence.

I was sure, that the con-
flict you describe would
break out in some shape
or other, but I could never
imagine that the anti-
ministerial patriots
would coalesce with

brigands and would
direct their onset against
the National Bank!!!

That Bank is very highly
in Grace. Should it be
destroyed by arson or
pillage, the conservative
virtues of the nation,
would also be destroyed.

I hope it was Mr.
Scarlett that first granted
his aid to that institution
on which the looks of
all nations are constant-
ly fixed in both a mate-
rial & moral sense.

I express this feeling,
for unfortunately the
anti-ministerial party,
& especially their leader,
have assumed the un-
warranted title of Angels,
which compels their enemies
to take a rival position
under the appellation of
Gallists, and who in their
inimiculations or recrim-
inations find themselves
authorized partly from
persuasion and partly
from suggestion to in-
culpate the ideal patron
of their adversaries.

The philhellens in
general & more especially
the English must never
forget that Lord Lyons's
efforts to realize & reform
our constitution, have
destroyed every glimpse
of English influence in
Greece, and ~~caused~~ of Greek
sympathy for England -
Why? Because those efforts
caused insurrections and
civil war, which was attrib-
uted to a wish - nay to
instructions coming from
the English Cabinet, accord-
ing to which the

²² Greek nation should
be condemned to a
"capitis diminutio"
and placed under the
sovereignty of an English
Protectorate.

How must one forget
that Sir Thomas Weylis
policy, whose attacks
against the deposed
King were far more
virulent than those
of Lord Lyons, ~~and~~
contributed not a
little in bringing

about the Revolution
and in rousing all our
sympathies for England.

But the attacks of
the former were different
from those of the latter.

I took the liberty of convers-
ing with Sir Thomas Weyse,
precisely 13 years ago,
and I was glad to find
he had discerned the
right from the wrong
paths; he, therefore, told
those who endeavored to
guide him, to the path

that had misled his
predecessor to a man,
that he did not intend
to patronize or even
countenance, the means
they suggested for the
improvement of the
Constitution. The Pha-
riotes fretted, and alas,
this parasite was bold
still, and thought he
might, by abusive lan-
guage, thwart Sir Thomas.

But the nation had long
ago condemned the Pha-
riotes, and took their in-
vectives against the

British Minister as
a good man.

But it is useless that
I should endeavor to
enlighten you on this
subject. You know better
than I do, that the Greek
hates the foreign Diplo-
matist that sows dissen-
sion among us and pa-
tronizes conflicts, and
that when such a charge
is brought against an
English Diplomatist
it finds a louder echo
because we are apt to

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relapse in our absurd
complaint that the
English have an interest
in the support of Turkey.
This is the plea on
which that Neapitan
Lombardo so strenuously
opposes the annexa-
tion of the Ionian Islands.
I have, therefore, no
doubt you will not
withhold your valuable
advice to that excellent
person Mr. Scarlite,
should he ignore the
feelings of the Greeks

nation. I hope - nay -
I am almost sure
he does not, for the
anti-ministerialists
are not pleased with him,
but nothing is more
natural than to encourage
those who style themselves
as true patriots, and
who invoke the aid of
England for the good of
the country; and still
such an encouragement is
the ruin of the place, for
the leader of that party has
more enemies than friends,

and a conflict is as in-
evitable as it ^{is} destructive.
I need not say that I
do not agree in the least
with the views of the
Mountaineers; but I
cannot in any way aid
the Pedians in subvert-
ing by the force of arms
the mountaineers who
are installed in office
by the vote of the national
assembly, which the Pe-
dians allow to exist under
the pressure of their
thumb.

The Rajah of this place

is a mountainous paper,
and in the enclosed sup-
plement makes an allu-
sion, which does not ap-
ply but on the British
mission. Fancy how
boldly its style would
be if any visible sup-
port had been given
to the Anti-ministerial
party. Surely their
leaders think Mr. Elliot
would suit them better,
and have gone so far as
to ^{employ one or two of the mob-leaders} circulate a petition
on the part of the citizens
of this place to the

Mayor who is requested
to inscribe Mr. Elliot's
name in the books of
~~occupancy~~ ~~territories~~ ~~territories~~
such inscription would
render Mr. Elliot a Sta-
pro' of this place.

Being ignorant
as to the object of such
an inscription, and
taking for granted that
it aims to captivate
the sympathies of En-
glish Statesmen, I
suggested the medal
in lieu of the inscription

and I insisted on its
being given to at least
half a dozen persons
beginning with Lord
Palmerston - This sug-
gestion has hindered
the end of that plan,
which may reappear
in some shape or
other.

But I must put
an end to this scrawl,
with my apologies
which I am sure you

will kindly admit
considering that I
have hardly time to
breathe on account
of the assizes and
the last Tuesday of
June.

My best regards to
Mrs Hill

Believe me

My dear Dr. Hill
Very sincerely yours
W. Cassinatti

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