

Letter from William Edward Tallents, Newark to the [4th] Duke of Newcastle, Clumber, 1832

Newark 15 Dec[embe]r 1832

My Lord Duke

The Poll was yesterday ~~declared~~ cast up here and Mr Gladstone & Mr Handley declared duly elected.

For Gladstone - 887

Handley - 798

Wilde - 726

The Blues played their Cards ill or they would have beaten Mr Handley. Mr Serj[ean]t Wilde made a very powerful farewell Address, and the Town has been peaceable, a few panes of glass broken (principally by Boys) being all the mischief.

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I congratulate Your Grace on the result, and hope to see Lord Lincoln returned on Monday -A Requisition however is getting up for a third Candidate & a printed hand bill distributed requesting the Electors not to engage their Votes as a ~~Candid~~ "Gentleman of well known independence of Spirit liberality of opinion & superior talent is expected to offer himself a Candidate on the day of nomination" It is reported also that rather than be without a 3^r^d Candidate

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some of Serj[ean]t Wilde's friends
will put him in nomination
and I sho[ul]d not be surprised at it.
I am sorry to hear that Major
Handley (a younger brother of
our Number & a most violent
Radical) had come in for
Boston – To me it appears
that the approaching Parli[ament]
will be of more importance
for good or for evil than any.
which ever before assembled
I hope Your Grace is well after
Your Journey and have the
Honor to be My Lord Duke

Your faithful & obed[ient] Serv[an]t
W[illia]m Edw[ar]d Tallents