

**BATTENBERG, Vice - Admiral**  
**H.S.H. Prince Louis Alexander of,**  
G.C.B. (Civil); G.C.V.O., K.C.B. (Military),  
K.C.M.G.; Personal A.D.C. to the King; Com-  
manding 3rd and 4th Divisions, Home Fleet,  
since 1911; *b.* Gratz (Austria), 24 May 1854;  
*e. s.* of Prince Alexander of Hesse, and *g. s.* of  
Louis II., Grand Duke of Hesse; *m.* his cousin,  
Princess Victoria, *d.* of Louis IV. Grand Duke of  
Hesse, K.G., and of Princess Alice, Queen Vic-  
toria's daughter, 1884; two *s.* two *d.* Protestant.  
Was naturalised British subject and entered  
Royal Navy as Naval Cadet, 1868; Sub-Lieut.  
1874; Lieut. 1876; Commander, 1885; Capt.  
1891; served in Egyptian War, 1882 (medal and  
Khedive's star); Director of Naval Intelligence,  
1902-1904; Rear-Admiral, 1904; Commanding  
Second Cruiser Squadron, 1904-6; second  
in Command Mediterranean, 1906-8; Com-  
mander-in-Chief Atlantic Fleet, 1908-10. Elder  
Brother of Trinity House; Fellow Royal  
Numismatic Society and Royal Geographical  
Society. *Publications:* Men-of-War Names.  
Inventor of Course Indicator tactical instru-  
ment. *Heir:* Prince George, Midshipman, R.N.,  
*b.* 1892. *Address:* Admiralty House, Sheer-  
ness. *Clubs:* Marlborough, United Service,  
Naval and Military, Bachelors', Bath.

Walter  
27 Feb. 96.

Dear Savory,

One line in great  
haste to day has kindly  
delighted I am at  
the news of you going  
to Collingwood. — Let  
me know if I can do  
anything for you.

Unfortunately I shall  
not be here when  
you arrive, as I leave  
on 6 March for Vike-  
franche & don't return

the 3 or 4 April. —  
However, Clingwood will  
be in Dodge and Kansas  
till quite end of May  
so we shall see you  
as I remain all April  
hope your wife is coming  
It would be great fun

Ever  
yours

Louis Potbury

Prince Louis of Battenberg