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THE CORRESPONDENCE OF LORD  
ABERDEEN AND PRINCESS  
LIEVEN 1832-1854. Volume 1. 1832-  
1848. Edited by E. JONES PARRY.  
Royal Historical Society.

Princess Lieven, that "mixture of bone and insolence," as Sydney Smith once called her, still has in contemporary jargon good publicity value. Among the characters of secondary importance in the nineteenth century she stands out as one of the shrewdest and most vital. She is an amusing and stimulating commentator on the political events of her day, a deep and even unscrupulous intriguer though seldom a controller of events or even an influence on them. This is clearly shown from the very interesting collection of letters compiled by Dr. Jones Parry, which are filled with the acid, illuminating but somewhat profitless comments by the Princess on Lord Palmerston's foreign policy.

The whole correspondence, together with Lord Aberdeen's replies, throws an instructive light on one of the most important periods of British foreign policy, which may be said to have begun with Palmerston's intrigues in Spain in 1833 and to have ended with the convulsions of 1848. This volume brings the correspondence down to the beginning of that year ;

the second volume will deal with the period when Aberdeen, after all his croaking against Palmerston, was sitting in the same cabinet with him.

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H. Ellis, Observations upon a household book of King James the Fifth of Scotland, preserved in the library of the Right Honourable the Earl of Aberdeen, K.T., President of the Society of Antiquaries, containing the account of one year, from September 14<sup>th</sup> 1538 to September 13<sup>th</sup> 1539, in Archaeologia, xxii (1829), pp. 1-12 (with extracts).