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My dear Ryder

I forgot to
mention to you that it
has become necessary in
consequence of the reduction
in the number of Cadets to
be entered, to withdraw
the nominations hitherto
placed at the disposal of



Flag Officers and Captains
receiving appointments

It is a disagreeable
necessity but we are
punched all round, and I
hope you have not committed
yourself to any promise

Yours very sincerely

W. H. Lawrence