

Lord Camelford received the first rudiments of his education at Berne in Switzerland, which he afterwards completed at Charter-house School. When very young his Lordship engaged himself in the service of his country, and in rotation served the regular periods. His conduct, while in a state of probation for future honours, was such as to warrant a well-founded opinion of his gallantry and bravery, at the same period that his eccentricities exposed him to repeated disadvantages, without any evil intentions, through the natural impetuosity of his temper, joined to his very high sentiments of honour, he involved himself in a variety of disputes, and in some cases with those, whose superior years and rank in their country's service did not justify such proceedings. At the same period it is equally true, that on many occasions a knowledge of his irritability has frequently induced unthinking persons to offer affronts which they well knew his Lordship neither could or would submit to; and it is a question which deserves the most serious consideration, whether knowing his habitual failing it would not have reflected more honour to themselves to have slightly passed over, or neglected to take notice of his momentary passion, than by a contrary conduct compel him, in vindication of his own honour, to have recourse to a mode of conduct which, in his cooler moments, he condemned.

At an early age his Lordship entered into the naval service of his country; and under the command of Captain Vancouver, of his Majesty's ship *Discovery*, sailed round the world: and there cannot exist a doubt, that if his Lordship could have conquered that irritability of temper, which involved him in such a variety of disputes, and ultimately ended in his death, he would have attained the highest naval honours. Unfortunately such was the violence of his temper, that on many occasions he totally forgot what was due to his rank, and in the moments of passion had recourse to the most violent measures.