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His Majesty is pleased to order, and direct The Duke of Grafton, Lord Chamberlain of His Majesty's Household; The Duke of Richmond, Master of The Horse to His Majesty; and The Earl of Pembroke, Groom of The Stole to His Majesty, to carry to The Prince of Wales The Message, signed by His Majesty, and herewith deliver'd to Them; and to read the same to The Prince of Wales, and to leave it with Him; which Message is in the following Words.

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The Professions, You have lately made, in Your Letters, of your particular Regard to me, are so contradictory to all your Actions, that I cannot suffer my self to be imposed upon by Them.

You know very well, You did not give the

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least Intimation to me, or to The Queen, that The Princess was with Child, or breeding, untill within less than a month, of the Birth of the young Princess. You removed The Princess twice, in the Week immediately preceding the Day of Her Delivery, from the Place of my Residence, in Expectation, as you have voluntarily declared, of Her Labour; and, both Times, upon your Return, You industriously concealed from the Knowledge of me, and the Queen, every Circumstance, relating to this important Affair: And You, at last, without giving any Notice to me, or to The Queen, precipitately hurried the Princess from Hampton Court, in a Condition, not to be named. After having thus, in Execution of your own determined Measures, exposed both the Princess, and Her Child, to the greatest Perils, You now plead Surprise, and your Tenderness for the Princess, as the only Motives, that occasion'd these repeated Indignities, offer'd to me, and to The Queen, your Mother.

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in so essential a Point, as the Birth of an Heir to my
Crown, is such an Evidence of your premeditated
Desiance of me, and such a Contempt of my
Authority, and of the Natural Right, belonging
to your Parents, as cannot be excused by the
pretended Innocence of your Intentions, nor
palliated, or disguised, by specious words only.

But the whole Tenour of your Conduct, for a
considerable Time, has been so intirely void of all real
Duty to me, that I have long had Reason to be highly
offended with you.

And, untill you withdraw your Regard, and
Confidence, from Those, by whose Instigation, and
Advice, you are directed, and encouraged, in
your unwarrantable Behaviour to me, and to
The Queen; and, untill you return to your Duty,
you shall not reside in my Palace; which I will
not suffer to be made the Resort of them, who,
under the Appearance of an Attachment to you,
soment the Division, which you have made in
my Family, and thereby weaken the common
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In this Situation, I will receive no Reply; But,
When your Actions manifest a just Sense of your
Duty, and Submission, That may induce me to
pardon, what, at present, I most justly resent.

In the mean Time, It is my Pleasure, that you
leave St. James's, with all your Family, when
It can be done, without Prejudice, or Inconvenience
to the Princess.

I shall, for the present, leave to the Princess
the Care of my Grand Daughter, untill a proper
Time calls upon me, to consider of Her Education.

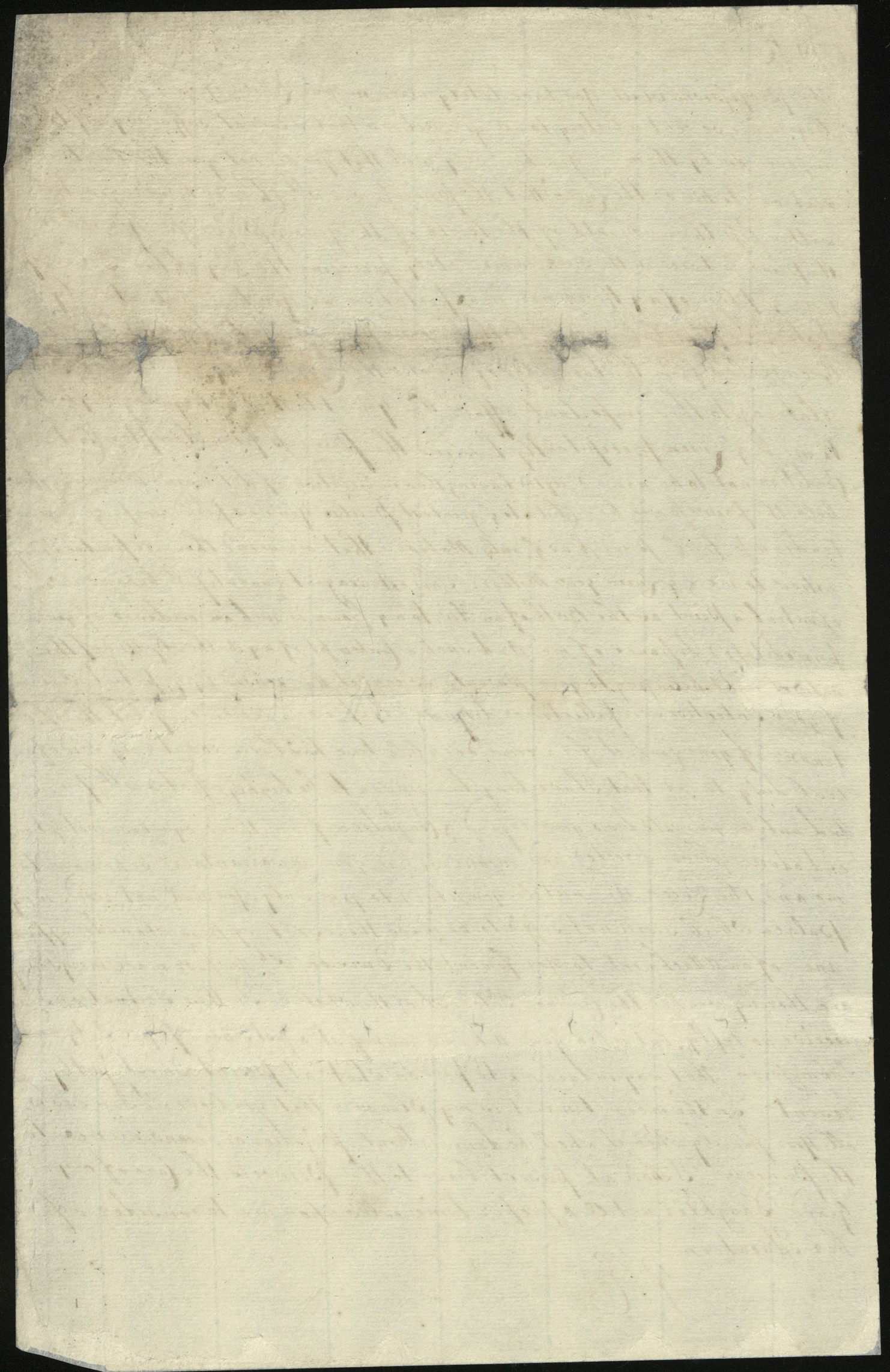
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