Wm. Pitt

Feb. 1 1805

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Mr Pitt is apprehensive that a Meeting which he has been under the necessity of fixing with the Attorney and Solicitor General, respecting the Course of Proceedings tomorrow on the Complaint against the late Sheriff of Middlesex, will prevent his having the honor of paying his Duty to Your Majesty to Day.— Not meaning to trouble Your Majesty further on the Subject of the

such his hopes, He will now only request
your Majesty's Commands with respect to
the disposal of the deanery of Windsor, for
which he is unwilling to offer any Recom-
-mendation without knowing whether your
Majesty has any Personal Wish on the
Subject. - He begs to defer for a few days
submitting to your Majesty any Arrangement

Wm. Pitt

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Morning Post.

Feb. 1. 1805. One P.M.

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Mr Pitt.

February 1. 1805

Hon. Pitt Duke of Portland

Feb. 1 1805

The distinguishing marks of Favour which Your Majesty so repeatedly confers upon the Duke of Portland would not suffer him to doubt Your Majesty's gracious consideration in accepting his resignation that it would have been a great diminution of the Satisfaction he felt at the indulgence which Your Majesty has been pleased to grant to Lord Frederick Beauclerk, had he been required to delibate it to any other mode than that which Your Majesty was pleased to authorise his Royal

Highness

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Entreat the Duke of York to upon forit, & which Your Majesty has since in Your great Goodness condescended to confirm under Your own Hand —

The Duke of Portland most humbly requests Your Majesty permission to assure Your that the continuance of Your Majesty's favorable opinion of Lord William Bentinck cannot be less a source of happiness to the Duke of Portland than a cause of the most sincere and heartfelt Gratitude, he endeavours to believe that Lord William Bentinck will not forget the title which Your Majesty is graciously pleased to allow him to the sentiments Your Majesty deigns to think him worthy of by any impatience or petulance on the approaches of

Hon. Pitt Duke of Portland

Feb. 1 1805

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of the Marquess Cornwallis, but that on the contrary he will be disposed
to consider the measure fully justified by the Marquess's long experience
of the State & Circumstances of that Country. Nor does the Duke of
Portland hesitate to assure Your Majesty that he is firmly persuaded that
flattered as Lord William Bentinck, can not avoid to be, by the knowledge
of the Opinion which Your Majesty has condescended to express of him,
he will feel any desire so strongly as to render himself more & more
deserving of it & to convince Your Majesty of his Gratitude by the means
which he knows to be most acceptable to Your Majesty, namely, the most
assiduous & most diligent discharge of the Duties of this station.

Burlington House
Friday 1 February 1805. 11. p. m.

Duke of Portland
February 1. 1805

Memorandum from Admiralty.
February 1. 1805

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Admiralty Office
1st February 1805

By Letters received this morning from Vice Admiral Sr Charles Cotton of the 25th & 27th of January, it appears that a French Squadron consisting of Six sail of the line & Two frigates sailed from Rochefort on the 11th of that month, & were afterwards seen endeavouring to weather the Penmarks on the 14th, supposed on their way to Brest; but failing therein, & having sustained some damage from the Gale then blowing, there is a probability of their having borne up for L'Orient, as they were not on

Basque Road (Rochefort) on the 22d.

On the 27th the number of Ships in the Road of Brest was as usual.

Captain Jervis, of H. M's Ship Tonnant was unfortunately Drowned by the oversetting of his Boat, on the 26th of the same month.

Ld. Hawkesbury

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Whitehall
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Lord Hawkesbury has the Honour to send Your Majesty Two Returns, The One a Summary of all the Commitments and the Result of them which have taken place in the County of Middlesex within the last Year, together with a comparative Statement to the same Effect for the Three last Years. The Other a Similar Account for all the Counties in England and Wales with the exception of Middlesex, for the last six Months. As the latter Account is wholly New

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It has not been possible to make it up with any accuracy for a longer Period, but Directions have been given to the Proper Officers to make Regular Returns on the same Plan to the Secretary of State's Office every six Months.

Lord Hawkesbury has directed that Copies of these Returns should be sent to the Lord Chancellor, the Judges, and the Attorney and Solicitor Genl and He conceives that considerable Advantage may arise in the Administration of Justice from Your Majesty's Judges being

Ld. Hawkesbury

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Lord Hardwicke's
February 2d. 1805

Lord Melville.

Admiralty 3d Feby 1805

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Lord Melville begs leave humbly to inform your Majesty that by the Death of Captain Jervis the office of Treasurer of Greenwich Hospital is become vacant. Lord Melville trusts he will have your Majestys approbation in his recommendation of the very

respectable admiral Sir
John Colpoys to succeed
to that appointment.

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Horse Guards February 4 1805

D. of York

Sir

I beg leave to trespass for a few moments upon Your Majesty's leisure, in order to report to Your Majesty the result of a Conference that I had on Saturday with Mr Pitt and the Secretary at War upon the Army Estimates, which are to be taken into consideration by the House of Commons this day, in which Mr Pitt expressed his intention of proposing to Your Majesty the immediate reduction of the Militia to its original Establishment, allowing the surplus of the men to volunteer for general service into Your Majesty's Regular Army. Under these circumstances it did not appear to us necessary to keep up the number of Guards Battalions now existing, and their only Destination is to recruit their corps for active Service, I beg leave therefore to propose to Your Majesty, the expediency of reducing the Men of these and only

Warrants issued upon the Establishments, which will cause a considerable reduction in the Estimates of the Current Year.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Majesty's

Most dutiful & loyal

And Subject

Frederick

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Bp. of Worcester

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Hartlebury Feb. 7th 1805

Sir

It is not in my power to express, as I ought, the sense I have of the honour done me in your Majesty's most gracious & condescending Letter of the 3d inst. from Windsor, received this day.

The public prints have conveyed to us, of late, so many sure proofs of your health & ability to go thro' any fatigue, that I perfectly assure myself of your Majesty's entire recovery from all remains of the last year's indisposition. As a further proof, your Majesty is again employed in your great affairs, & particularly in the care of what your Majesty has always so much at heart, as the welfare of the national Church, by your nomination of a worthy Successor to the late Archbishop. I am wholly unacquainted

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with the new Primate. But the character of all your Highness are so well known to your Majesty, that I have not the least doubt of his deserving the high honour, your Majesty has bestowed upon him. The qualities you mention are indeed those which most become that station: and by the wise exertion of them, with your Majesty's countenance & protection, there is great reason to hope that he will be able to steer this time-worn vessel of the Church thro' the ill weathers, that may befall it.

The mention of one of my Deputy Clerks, & the favours in contemplation for him, is a further instance of your paternal care of the Church. But I must quit this subject to acknowledge the singular grace done to myself in the concluding part of your Letter. To see this place once more is much too great an honour for me to receive. Indeed I am

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equally unworthy & unable to receive it, infirmities of all kinds growing fast upon me in this decrepit old age.

The greatest satisfaction I can now receive, is that of knowing that your Majesty is in perfect health, & in putting up my daily prayers for the long continuance of it, in all prosperity & happiness.

I am with all possible duty,

Sir,

Your Majesty's most obliged
& most humble subject & servant

R. Worcester

Bishop of Worcester.

Hartlebury 7th Feby 1805.

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9th Feby 1805.

Lord Auckland.

February 9. 1805

Returning Letters from the King to Arch Bishop Moore

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Lord Auckland, in aporting a great accumulation of Manuscripts left by the good Archbishop, thought it right, after separating papers of domestic concern, & after putting aside for the successor all documents relative to the business of the See, to destroy the private Correspondence. — But he conceiv'd it to be his Duty, in respect to such letters as seem'd to have come from your Majesty, to set them apart unopen'd. They were few in number & are all contain'd

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in the packet which he has the honor to inclose.

Lord Auckland did not omit to report to Mrs. Moore your Majesty's gracious & benevolent expressions on the occasion of her loss. She was deeply & gratefully affected by them. Your Majesty's Opinion of the late Archbishop in your personal selection of him for the most important trust in your State, formed the Happiness & Pride of his good Mind & Life, & will ever be dear to all who regard his Memory. —

Palace Yard - Feby. 9th. 1805

Wm. Pitt

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12 Feb 1805

2. A. M.

Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint Your Majesty that an address was moved by him this day on the Spanish Papers, approving the Conduct of Your Majesty's Government. A long Amendment of an opposite Tendency was moved by Mr Grey who was replied to by Lord Castlereagh. Lord Temple afterwards spoke in support of the Amendment, and

Sir John Nicholl in support of the original Address. It being then half past One, and there appearing no prospect of the Debate being concluded in any moderate time, it was agreed to adjourn the Debate till this day. - As there is no doubt of the Address being reported and agreed to on Wednesday, Mr Pitt takes the Liberty of

Wm. Pitt

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requesting your Majesty's Commands whether
Thursday will be a convenient day to
your Majesty to receive it

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Tuesday Feb 12th. 1805. 2 A.M.

Mr. Pitt.

February 12. 1805

Ld. Hardwicke

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St. James's Square
Feb. 12 1858

Lord Derby has the Honour to inform Your Majesty that the Addresses of the Two Houses of Parliament are not a Joint Address, but are separate Addresses of each House. Lord Derby therefore humbly submits it to Your Majesty whether as Your Majesty have appointed Three O'clock to receive the Address of the House of Lords, Your Majesty would not appoint half past Three to receive that of the House of Commons.

Lord Derby has obeyed Your Majesty's Commands in communicating to the Earl of Dartmouth in the absence of the Earl of Malmesbury Your Majesty's intention to receive the House of Lords on Thursday

Ld. Hardwicke

Lord Kinnersley
February 12. 1805

Lord Hawkesbury
February 12. 1805

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St James's Square
Feb 12 1805

Lord Hawkesbury has the Honour to transmit to Your Majesty the Minutes of the House of Lords together with a Copy of the Address and of the Amendment. Lord Hawkesbury has great Satisfaction in informing Your Majesty that the Debate was throughout well, and that the Division was very favourable.

Lord Hawkesbury requests to receive Your Majesty's Commands whether it will be convenient to Your to receive the Addresses of the two Houses on Thursday

Mr Pitt.
February 13. 1805

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13 Feb 1805
6 A.M.

Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint
your Majesty that on resuming the adjourned
Debate, the proposed Amendment was supported
by Mr Raine, Mr J. Johnstone, Dr Lawrence
and Mr Fox, and the original Address
by Mr Banks, Mr H Addington, the
Master of the Rolls and Mr Pitt. Be

a Division, the Amendment was rejected by a Majority of 313 against 106. The Original Address was then agreed to and ordered to be reported this day.

Downing Street.

Wednesday Feb 13th 1805. 6 A.M.

Lord Hawkesbury
February 13. 1805

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St James's Square
Feb. 13 1805

Lord Hawkesbury has the Honour to inform Your Majesty that upon inquiry he does not find that there is any Business which will require a Privy Council. Sir Charles Poole will however attend at St James's a Quarter before Three o'clock for the purpose of presenting to Your Majesty Two Reports of the Commissioners for Naval Inquiry, if Your Majesty shall be pleased to grant him an Audience

Mr Pitt.
February 14. 1805

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to submit to Your Majesty the proposed Answer to the Address which is to be presented by the House of Commons this day.

Downing Street.
Thursday Feb 14th 1805

Lady Mchester.
Melbury 15th Feby 1805.

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Melbury Feb. 15. 1805.

Sir

From a most unfortunate mistake there has been a great delay in my receiving Mrs Campbell's answer to the last gracious Commands Your Majesty honored me with, & I fear also that by my letter to Windsor on Sunday Night not arriving at the proper time, I may have appeared negligent in my attention to Your Majesty's wishes which gives me real concern.

I have the honor of enclosing for Your Majesty's perusal Mrs Campbell's

letter which I have just received and beg leave to say I shall be in London on Wednesday next in case Your Majesty shall have any further commands for

Your Majesty's

Grateful & Dutiful Subject & Servant

Maria Chester

Lord Aylesford
Aylesford 15th Feby 1805

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Sire,

The Gracious interest Your Majesty is always pleased to take in what concerns my family makes me think it my duty to acquaint Your Majesty of the severe loss we have in the death of my honored Mother. She ended her life this morning about 2 o'clock after a severe and

lingering illness

With all humble duty to Your Majesty I remain

Your Majesty's

most obliged and

Dutifull humble Servant

Aylesford.

Aylesford

February 15th 1805.

Ld. Aylesford

Feb. 18 1805

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Sire,

Your Majesty will I hope allow me to offer on the part of this Family as well as myself our most grateful thanks for the Gracious and kind interest Your Majesty is pleased to take in our present Affliction, and to indulge the earnest request of my Sister in particularly mentioning those who are most deeply interested with

Gratitude for Your Majesty's gracious and flattering remembrance of them. The Apprehension on their account which Your Majesty has so kindly mentioned I have long entertained but I hope their resignation, & their wish to do every thing that is right of which I have hitherto had the strongest proofs will in great measure alleviate what they must feel on their Change of Situation —

I must beg permission to request Your Majesty's indulgence for a few

Ld. Aylesford

Feb. 18 1805

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days longer absence from London,
on account of some matters of importance
to myself which require my staying at
this place, and to subscribe myself
with all duty

Your Majesty's
Most obliged
and most dutiful Servant
Aylesford.

Aylesford
February 18th 1805.

Lord Aylesford

February 10. - 1805

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Whitehall
Feb 2 1805

Lord Mawhesbury has the Honour to request Your Majesty's Commands whether if the Queen has a Drawing Room on Thursday Your Majesty would appoint the Privy Council for an earlier Hour than Noon

Lord Mawhesbury has the Honour to inform Your Majesty that the Recorder is ready with his Report, and that the Bishop of Norwich having been confirmed as Archbishop of Canterbury, will be enabled to pay Homage to Your Majesty on Thursday

Lord Mawhesbury requests Your Majesty's Commands whether

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He shall give Notice to the Aldermen
and to the Recorder that Your
Majesty will receive them on Thursday
or whether it is Your Majesty's
Pleasure to appoint another Day
for these Purposes

Ld. Mulgrave

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February 19th 1805

Lord Mulgrave has the Honour to transmit to your Majesty a Letter which He has received from the French Minister for foreign Affairs, and the Letter of a French agent of their Marine in which it came Enclosed.

Lord Mulgrave has made the Draft of an Answer, which He hopes may receive your Majesty's Approbation.

Ld. Aylesford.

Feb. 22 1805

Sire,

Your Majesty's gracious permission to continue longer at Aylesford calls for my most grateful & humble thanks. As the business which required my being present at that place has been finished in less time than I at first apprehended I have thought it my duty not to trespass any longer on Your Majesty's indulgence but to return to Town to

receive Your Majesty's Commands —

Your Majesty has conferred a great favor on me by mentioning the Bishop of Exeter's opinion on the subject of an allowance to be made to Your Majesty's Chaplains in lieu of their table, by affording me the Gratification of learning that what I had the honor of mentioning to Your Majesty has met with His Lordship's sanction and approbation.

The orders on that subject as well as those for the allowance to be made to

Ld. Aylesford.

Feb. 22 1805

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Her Majesty's Maids of Honor shall be
prepared and laid before Your Majesty
for Your Majesty's final determination
so that, if approved, the Arrangement may
take place at the beginning of the next
Quarter.

I have the honor to subscribe myself
with all duty and submission

Your Majesty's

most faithful
and dutiful Servant

Aylesford.

London
February 22. 1805.

Lord Aylesford

February 22. 1805

Jonathan Davies

The Provost of Eton —

Eton College — 23d Feby 1805.

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The Provost of Eton
begs leave to present his
humble duty with thanks
to His Majesty in the name of
College, as well as his own, for
His Majesty having been grac-
iously pleas'd to order the
Portrait of Sr Rob.t Walpole to
be fresh varnish'd & gilt; by
which it is rendered as good
as new, & will become not only
a more handsome, but also a
more durable ornament to
the Lodge.

Eton Coll:
Feb: 23. 1805

~~Hon.~~ Beaumont Hothaw

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Sir,

Bloomsbury Square Feb. 26. 1805.

Your Majesty's late Reception of me, at the Queen's House, was so condescending, so totally overpower me — and your Majesty's Gracious acceptation of my poor endeavors to execute the high trust with which I had been honored, with all fidelity, and to the best of my poor abilities, ~~and~~ expressed by Your Majesty in terms so very flattering and highly honorable to me, amply repaid me for the anxiety and labor I had undergone for 30 years. Your Majesty's Goodness has left me nothing to wish for personally to myself, beyond those marks of Your Majesty's gracious approbation: and which Your Royal Munificence has vouchsafed to extend to the remainder of my Life.

But Sir may I presume to add, that Life, as far as it embraces worldly considerations, cannot be closed with comfort to myself, unless I take the great liberty of representing to Your Majesty, that of all my Children my (now) Eldest Son, is the only one who hangs heavy on my mind. He is brought up to the Church, and has two small livings; the one in Norfolk, and the other in the town of Derby.

They are both very uncomfortably conditioned; neither of them having a Parsonage House. My anxious and utmost wish therefore is, that he may be thought worthy of a Prebendal Stall, when Your Majesty in Your Goodness should think fit to promote him to one.

He is now 32 and is married, and has a growing family.

His wife, the one of the worthiest of women, has brought him but a small fortune, and Justice to the rest of my children who I thank God have all deserved well of me, has disabled me from giving Him much assistance.

I ought to say that his character and conduct as a Clergyman has hitherto been most exemplary, and highly gratifying to me. Could I have the great satisfaction of seeing him with some better provision, I should die in Peace, blessing the hand from which he should derive it.

I ought to close this most presumptuous, but equally humble Application by assuring Your Majesty, that if I did not know him to be every thing that is good and valuable, nothing would make me intercede for him.

Knowing well how highly Your Majesty esteems character, particularly in a Clergyman, I had rather cut off my hand, than forfeit my honor, by assuming it to a false testimonial of his merit. But he does Sir, deserve every thing that I can say or do for him.

A Juridical Situation having so long debarred me from all Ministerial functions, as incompatible with it, to Your own Royal Goodness alone, I can apply. —

He does not know that I have presumed to take so great a liberty as I am now doing. But my just affection for him, encouraged by Your Majesty's most condescending goodness, expressed to me the other day, naturally induces me to lay myself at Your Majesty's feet in his behalf, with every sentiment of the sincerest Gratitude and duty.

Happy, transcendently happy, if I could be so blessed in my approaching retirement from the world, as to trace Your Majesty's benignant kindness from the Father to the Son. —

~~Hon.~~ Beaumont Hotham

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I am Sir
with every Sentiment of Loyalty,
and the most fervent Attachment to Your Majesty's
Person and family,

Your Majesty's
Most Grateful and humble
but most Devoted Subject
and Servant,
Beaumont Hotham.

General Hotham.

Bloomsbury Square
26th Feby 1805.

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St James's Square
Sept 27 1805

Lord Hawkesbury has the Honour to inform
Your Majesty that there is no Necessity
for a Privy Council Tomorrow as
the Committee of the House of Lords
on the Business of Judge Fox meets
Tomorrow at two o'clock. Lord Hawkesbury
trusts Your Majesty will excuse
his Attendance at that Hour. He
will have the Honour of waiting
upon You at the Queen's Palace at
any other Hour Your Majesty may
think proper to appoint.
The Lord Chancellor will en
deavour to Your Majesty's
Commands wait upon You Tomorrow
about half past one o'clock before
the Levee of the Foreign Ministers

Lord Buckinghamshire
Grosvenor Place — 27th Feby. 1805.

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Grosvenor Place Feb.y 27.th 1805 –

Lord Buckinghamshire humbly takes the liberty to submit the accompanying Extract from Lord Pelham's report to your Majesty upon the subject of Rockwood Forest – and to add Lord Buckinghamshire's humble recommendation, that your Majesty would be graciously

pleas'd to permit your Royal
Assent to be given in the House
of Commons to a Petition praying
leave to bring in a Bill to
enable your Majesty, if it shall
appear expedient to your Majesty so
to do, to make the Endowment
specified in the abovementioned
Extract —

Lady Downshire

Feb.y 1805

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Sire

Your Majesty's beneficent Goodness shewn to me & mine, will I earnestly hope, be extended in granting an Excuse for the liberty of this Address. — I am sensible, Sire, that my presuming to write to Your Majesty requires the fullest Apology, which I humbly beg leave to offer. — I trust however to Your Majesty's gracious Indulgence while I represent that my ever dear Lord Hardwicke the former Marquis of Downshire, by all Means in their power supported the Cause of the Established Church, as materially essential to the Support of Your Majesty's Government in Ireland; and in the

County of Down particularly, by their building and repairing Churches at their own Expence & undertaking to restore the beautiful gothic Cathedral of the Diocese of Down, which had lain for many Ages in ruin. — The latter object has the encouragement & munificence of Your Majesty who was at the Instance of the former Marquis graciously pleased to give One Thousand Pounds towards this great Work, has been accomplished with unremitting zeal under their direction. They contributed to its restoration by very large sums of Money subscribed by themselves, & by procuring Subscriptions from their friends as well as by continued personal superintendance & to fulfil their Intentions I have given all the assistance & encouragement I could. A suitable organ has been provided by me; A choir

Lady Dorrnshire

Feb.? 1805

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has been established & the Cathedral is now nearly
ready for Divine Service. And permanent
Provision is made for its future Regulation
& Support. I have thought it proper thus
to communicate to your Majesty that an
Object of your gracious Solicitude is
therefore effected: considering it justly
due to your Majesty to make a Report
on a Subject in which you were pleased
to take so much Interest. —
I humbly beg leave further to inform Your Majesty
that the Lord Bishop of Dromore is from his great
age in a very declining State of Health.
And that I am informed also that the
new Bishop of Down has been translated
to that See by the desire of your Majesty's
Government & may probably vacate it so
soon as a letter can be presented to him.

I entreat Your Majesty's forgiveness while I
humbly request to be permitted to name to
Your Majesty as the Bishop of each of these
two Houses as shall first become Vacant
an able & Orthodox & exemplary Clergyman
who would from his knowledge & residence in
Ireland fill the important Station with
dignity, & would therein exert himself with
effect in supporting the best Interests of the
Church & the State. — Aware that application
may soon be made on behalf of Another,
I have ventured thus upon this request thus
kindly to Your Majesty pleading that it is
only by Your Majesty's goodness & favour
that I can hope to obtain its object.
In the Diocese of Down the Bishop has
the presentation to the living of Killyleagh
(where a very beautiful new Church was erected
entirely at the expence of my Family) And to

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their livings on our Estates the Churches of which have in like Manner been restored & supported. These livings may probably when vacant not be given to such Clergymen as we could wish to fill them. And I humbly hope this consideration with what I have before stated may weigh with Your Majesty in promoting this my humble request. The Sees of Devon & Exeter are wholly & that of Devon mostly within the County of Devon, where the largest part of our Estates are. I most anxiously beg of Your Majesty to believe that in making this Application I am guided only by a sense of duty to Your Majesty & to my children & the great & good Cause which

Your Majesty's Ministers always steadily supported.
Should Your Majesty graciously pleased to listen to it, I will name the Clergyman I am desirous to have advanced if permitted to do so.
That Your Majesty may long enjoy health & every earthly comfort, is the prayer of

Sire Your Majesty's
most dutiful & most grateful
Subject & Servant
N. Grantham

Hanover Sq.
Feby 1805

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