

Draft to Lord Aylesford,
Windsor Castle. April 1. 1805.

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The King has received the Earl of Aylesford's Memorial, as Lord Steward of His Household, claiming a Right to the Boxes under the Gallery erected on the South Side of S.^t George's Hall for Spectators, which Application is grounded on a Record in the Office of Green Cloth.

On the Lord Chamberlain's part, an original Ticket is produced, by which it appears that they were signed and issued by the Lord Chamberlain; but if this had not been produced, it is a matter of Notoriety that the Lord Steward's Jurisdiction in the Royal Palaces is below Stairs,
and

and that of the Lord Chamberlain above Stairs;
except in the King's Private Apartments,
where the Groom of the Stole presides.

There cannot be a Doubt but that the
Lord Chamberlain will accommodate the Lord
Steward with Tickets to such Extent as he
may judge proper; but no Tickets of
Admission can be admitted in the Royal
Apartments but sanctioned by the Signature
of the Lord Chamberlain.

Windsor Castle
April 1st 1805.

Copy

Lord Hawkesbury.
Whitehall. 2. April 1805.

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W Whitehall
April 2 1805

Lord Hawkesbury has the Honour to
inform your Majesty that there is
a new Quarantine order which it is
important should be issued, but which
according to the Opinion of the Attorney
& Solicitor you can not be legally
issued before Friday the fifth
of April, the Day on which the
new Quarantine Act takes effect.

Under these Circumstances Lord
Hawkesbury humbly submits it to
your Majesty, whether it would
suit your Majesty's Convenience

to hold a Privy Council on Friday
instead of Thursday and if Your
Majesty should see no objection to
this proposal, at what hour on
Friday it is Your Pleasure that
the Privy Council should be assembled.

ld, Camden

Apr. 2 1805

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Downing Street
April 2^d
1805.
9 o'clock P.M.

Lord Camden is concerned
to forward to your Majesty the
account transmitted from the Agent
of Packets at Talmouth, & the
Secretary of the Post Master General;
which states, that a French Squadron
had appeared off the Island of
Dominica on the twenty first of February
that the town of Roseau had
surrendered, but that Ba: San

Parrish had returned to S^r. Reports
with the Piece he could collect.

As Lord Sandwich conceived it
would be satisfactory to your
Majesty to be informed of the
latest Intelligence of the Detachment
of your Majesty, Fleet under the
Command of Rear Admiral Cochrane
He has the Honor to inform your
Majesty that the Ship Lady Frigate
spoke Rear Adm. Cochrane on
the 6th of March - He was

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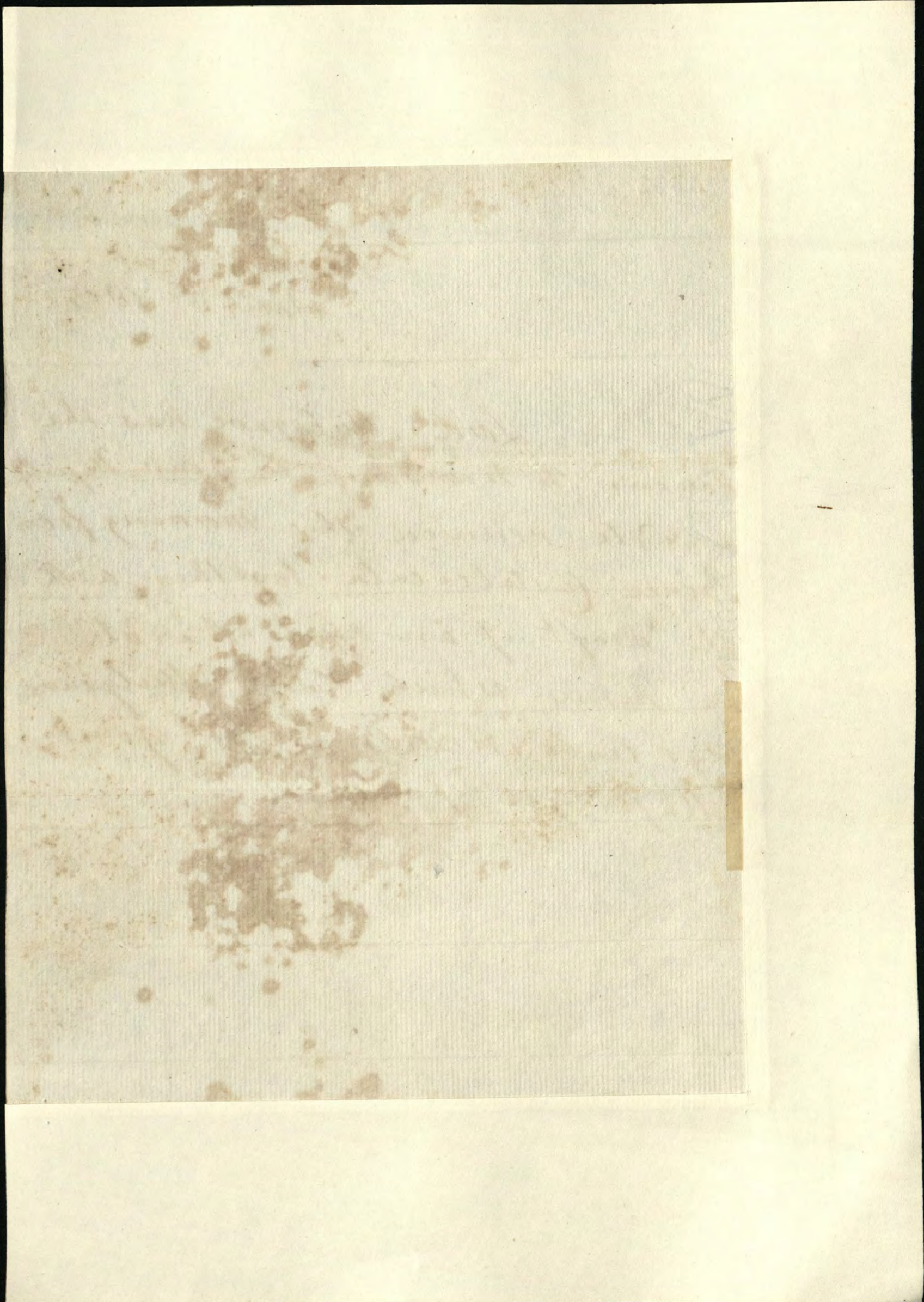
Sad London.
Downing St. 2^d Apr. 1705.

Ld. Mulgrave

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Downing Street
April 3^d 1805

Lord Mulgrave has the
Honour to transmit to your Majesty
a Note received this Morning from
Prince Castelicula; together with
the Draft of an official Note
in Reply; which Lord Mulgrave
begs leave to submit for your
Majestys approbation.



Lord Dartmouth.

L^d Chamberlain's Office.

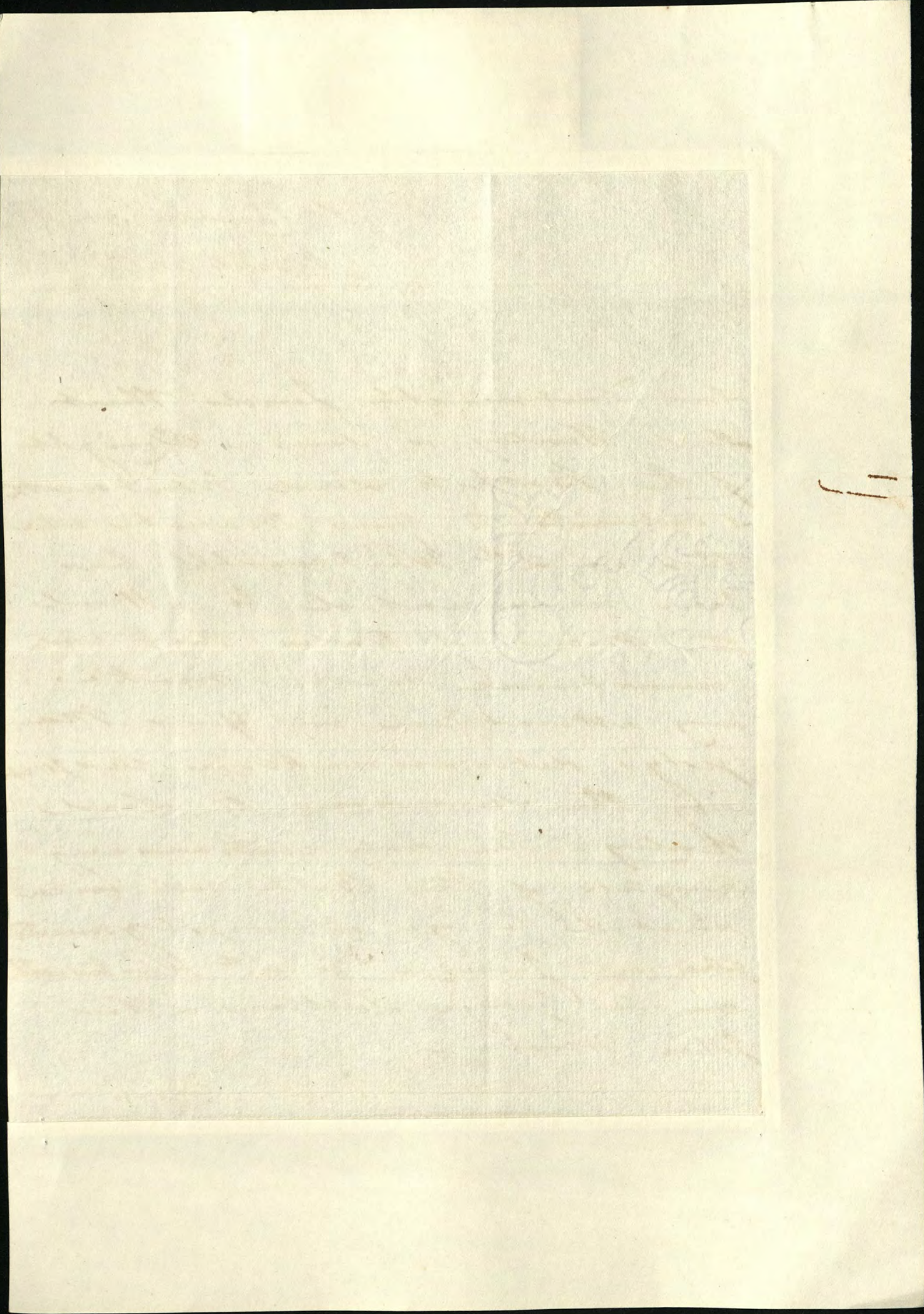
5th April 1805.

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L^d Chamberlain's Office

April 5 - 1805

Lord Dartmouth finds that Lord Henley is Senior Knight of the Bath to Lord Whitworth & submits to your Majesty whether as L^d Whitworth has been nominated to attend the Prince of Wales that circumstance would make any alteration in your Majesty's determination respecting the summons to Lord Henley - The only remaining Knights of the Bath not here specified by age or appointments who are junior to L^d Whitworth are Sir George Lisle & Sir John Moore -



Mr Pitt

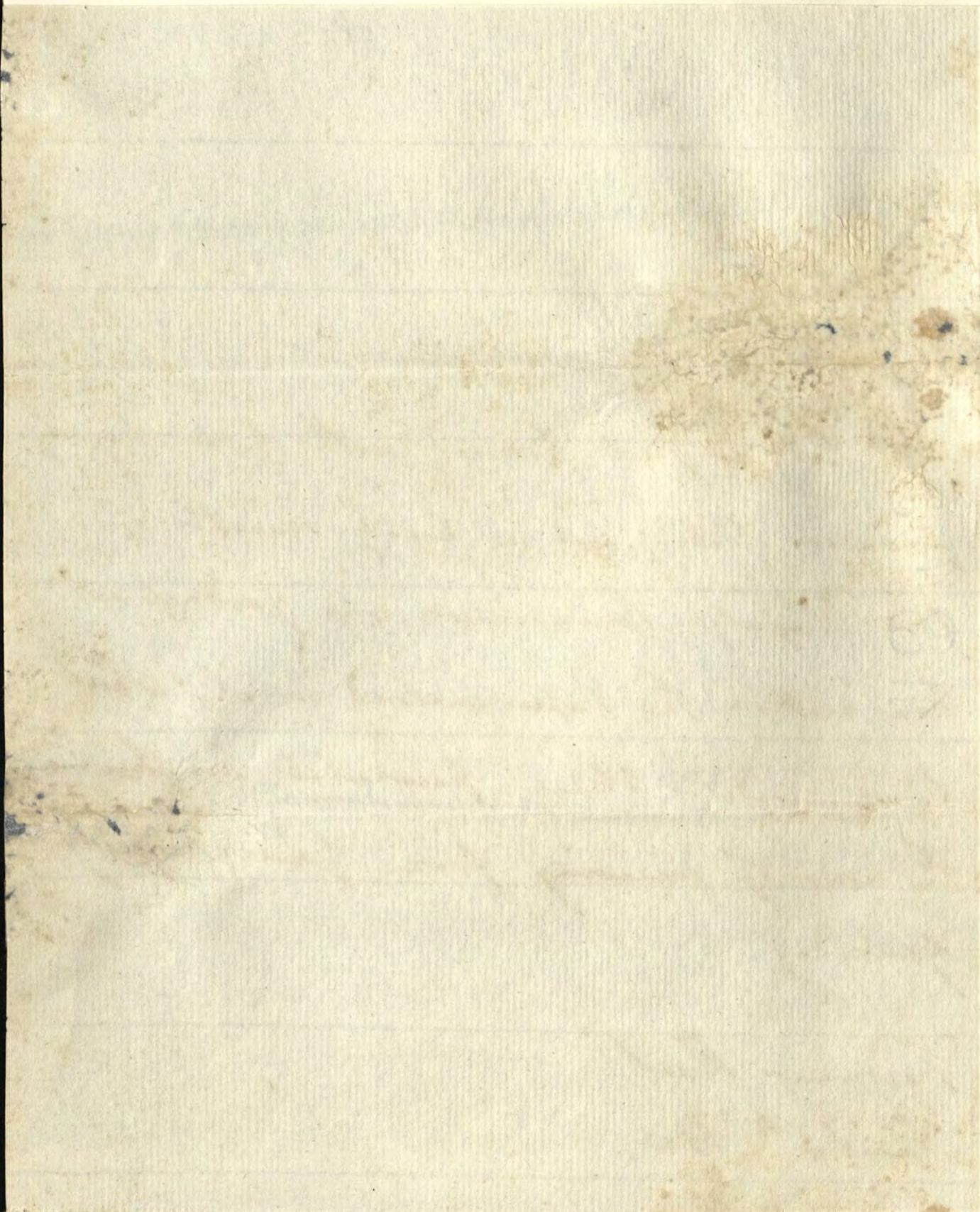
April 6. 1805

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Mr Pitt is just honored with Your Majesty's
gracious Note, and is highly sensible of
Your Majesty's Condescension and Goodness in
transmitting the Paper enclosed in it, which
his unavoidable Absence prevented his having
the honor of receiving from Your Majesty
yesterday.

Towning Street.

April 5th 1805.



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Wm Pitt

Apr. 9 1805

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It is with deep regret that Mr Pitt finds himself under the necessity of acquainting your Majesty that Mr Whitbread having brought forward a string of Resolutions grounded on the late Report of the Commissioners of Enquiry, concluding with a Censure on Lord Melville for having suffered Mr Trotter to derive Benefit from Pilanes of Public Money, The Previous Question was

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moved by Mr Pitt on the first Resolution,
and, after a long Debate, the Numbers on
each side in the Division proved equal, being
each 216; and the Speaker found it necessary
to give his casting Vote in favor of the
original Motion; after which the remaining
Resolutions were carried. This unfortunate
Event arose from the unfavorable Impression
which had been made on the Minds of
several Persons who are in general steady

Wm. Pitt

Apr. 9 1805

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Supporter of Government, and it appears so
strong and decided as to leave little hope
that it can be possible for Lord Melville
to continue to fulfil with satisfaction to
himself, the duties of his present situation
which he has hitherto discharged so well
to his own credit and to the benefit of
your Majesty's Service. - Mr Pitt has
felt it a painful but necessary duty
not to withhold in the first moment the

intimation of his apprehensions on this
subject; and fears it may be incumbent
upon him to trouble Your Majesty further
upon it, after he has had an opportunity
of conversing with Lord Melville

Forwarding that.

Tuesday April 9th 1805. 20th 1/5 A.M.

Mr Pitt.
April 9. 1805

The Chancellor,

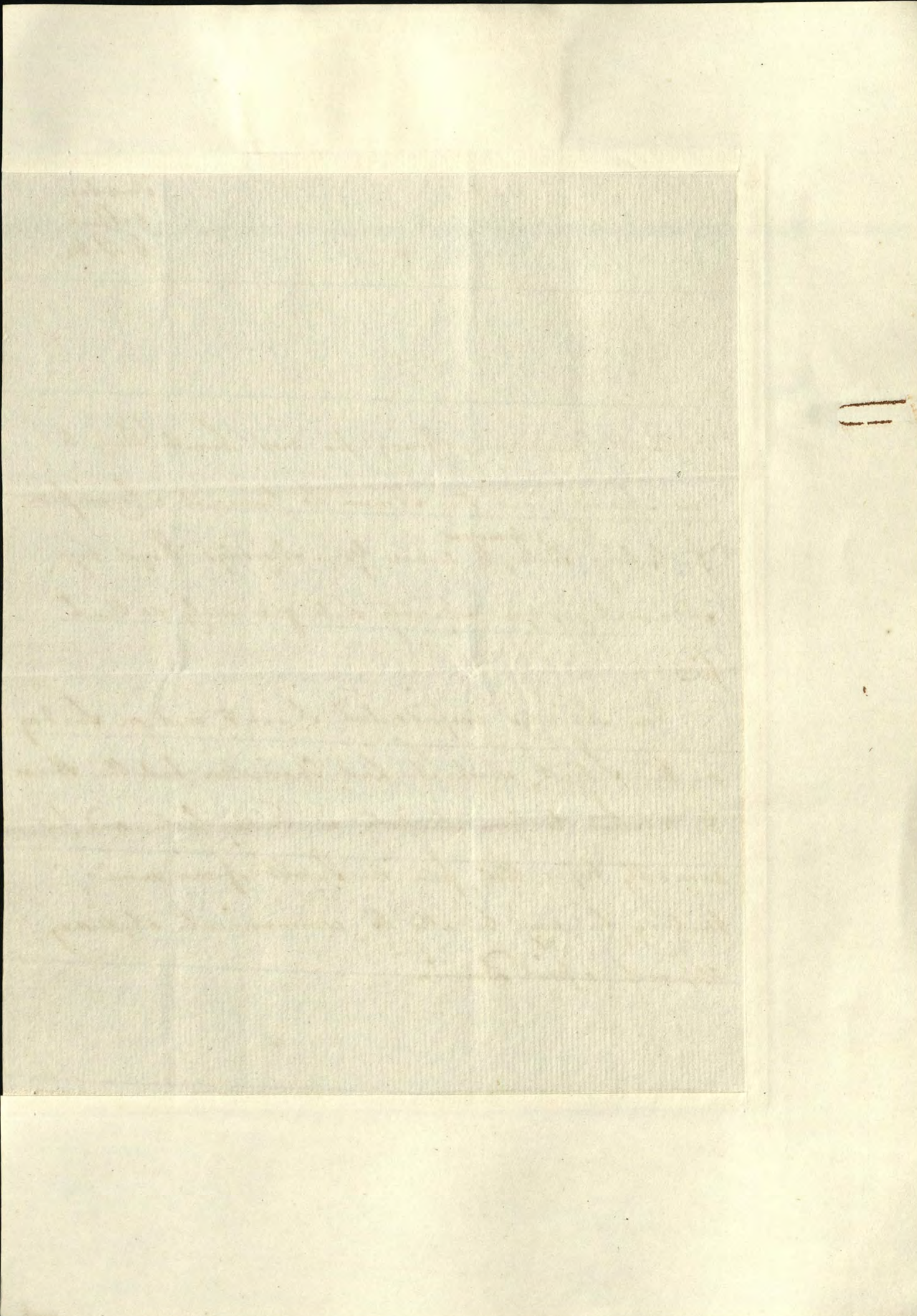
April 9. 1705

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Tuesday
9 April
6. P.M.

The Lord Chancellor, offering his most humble Duty to
Your Majesty, has the Honour to transmit a Commission
for passing Bills, ^{to morrow} to receive Your Majesty's Royal Sign
Manual, if Your Majesty shall graciously so think
fit.

Your Majesty's confidential Servants met on Sunday
on the Subject, which The Lord Chancellor had the Honour
to mention to Your Majesty on Friday last, and he
earnestly hopes that, from the Result of one more
Meeting, he may be able to communicate what may
approach a final Decision.



Lord Camden

April 9. 1765

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Lord Camden has the Honour to
inform your Majesty, that it
is the Opinion of your Majesty's
Servants that in consequence
of the late Intelligence from the
West Indies, It will be expedient
to send two Battalions to Barbadoes
& his Royal Highness the Duke
of York having recommended that
if it is your Majesty's Pleasure to

Send two Battalions to that Destination
that the 62^d & the 53^d Regiments should
be despatched from Cork and
I am humbly submitting this
proposal to your Majesty's
consideration.

London April 9th 1805
10 o'clock P.M.

Lord Melville

April 9th. 1805

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Admiralty 9th April 1805

Lord Melville is under the disagreeable necessity of humbly throwing himself at your Majesty's Feet and craving your permission to retire from the Board of Admiralty. Mr Pitt has informed Lord Melville of the communication he has made to your

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Majesty of the Proceedings
which took place in the
House of Commons last night,
and under such circumstances
Lord Melville is perfectly
satisfied that his remaining
in office would prove seriously
prejudicial to your Majesty's
Service.

Mr Pitt.

April 9. 1805.

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Mr Pitt was honored with your Majesty's
gracious commands this morning. Your
Majesty will receive from Lord Melville
the Resignation of his Office, and Mr Pitt
requests to be enabled to state your
Majesty's acceptance of the Resignation.

He entreats your Majesty's Indulgence for
a few days before he submits the
Recommendation of a Successor;

Patney. Tuesday Night. April 9th 1805. —

Lord Mulgrave
April 10. 1005

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Downing Street
April 10th 1005

Lord Mulgrave has the Honour
to acquaint your Majesty that Mr
Pierrepont, in a private Letter has
intimated that a Box has been
prepared by order of the King of
Sweden to be presented to your
Majesty's Secretary of State, upon
the Ratification of the secret Convention
with Sweden: Lord Mulgrave therefore
presumes that your Majesty may
probably be graciously pleased
to order that a Box ornamented
with your Majesty's Portrait should
be sent to the Swedish Secretary of State
in return for that intended by the
King of Sweden for Lord Harrowby.

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Mr Pitt.

April 10. 1763

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint
your Majesty, that on the Meeting of the
House of Commons to day, Mr Pitt thought
it right to intimate that Lord Melville
had tendered the Resignation of his Office
which your Majesty had been pleased
to accept. Mr Whittowd proceeded
notwithstanding to move an Address to your
Majesty to remove Lord Melville from your

Majesty's Presence and Councils for ever.

After some debate in which the Sense of
the House appeared unfaavourable to so strong
a Measure, He withdrew this Motion,
and proposed instead that the Resolutions
passed on Monday should be laid before
your Majesty by the whole House. As this
Proceeding appeared to be justified by Precedent
in Cases nearly similar, It was not thought

right to oppose it. Mr Pitt is not aware
 whether it is your Majesty's intention to
 be in Town tomorrow; but as the House
 must adjourn tomorrow, and it is deemed
 that the Breef should be for a Fortnight,
 Mr Pitt trusts your Majesty with pardon
 his venturing ^{to suggest}, that if your Majesty could
 without inconvenience, appoint tomorrow
 to receive the Address, It would avoid

great inconvenience; as in case of a Fortnight
Interval being allowed, the Opposition would
probably make use of it to make the
Presentation of the Address an Object for exciting
Popular impetuous. Mr Pitt is almost weary
of submitting this Proposal to your Majesty
at so short a Notice, but he is persuaded
the Circumstances will plead his Cause.

Yours truly

Wm Pitt
Wednesday April 18th 1805. 10 P.M.

Lord Hawkebury

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Whitehall
April 18 1705

Lord Hawkebury has the Honour
to inform Your Majesty that
The Earl of Hardwicke is desirous
that Cap^t Joseph Yorke should officiate
as his Proxy at the Installation
of the Knights of the Garter. If this
should meet with Your Majesty's
gracious Approbation Lord Hawkebury
understands it will be necessary that
Cap^t Yorke should receive the Honour
of Knighthood previous to the Ceremony
of the Installation. Lord Hawkebury
requests to receive Your Majesty's
Commands whether way and what
Commencement

Communication should be made to
Capt^r Goswe upon the subject

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London

April 21th
1805.

Lord Camden humbly begs leave
to inform your Majesty, that he
has heard from his Predecessors in
Office & has learnt from the
Correspondence, that it might be
advantageous to your Majesty's
Colonies in New South Wales to
permit Capt. Jeddy King, the
present Governor, to return to England
when a proper Successor should be
found -

Lord Camden

has endeavored to inform himself of
the different Qualifications of those Persons
who have occurred to him as fit for
& willing to undertake that Government

He had not been successful in selecting
any Person for your Majesty's considera-
tion untill he heard from Sir Joseph
Banks so high a Character of the Ability
and Integrity of Capt. William Blyth
of your Majesty's Ship Warrior as to
induce him to propose that Officer for

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your Majesty's Approbation.

Lord Camden therefore humbly begs
leave to propose to your Majesty, that
Capt. William Bleigh should succeed Capt.
Sedley King as Governor of New South
Wales.

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Lord Lunden
April 21. 1805

Duke of Richmond & Lennox

Apr. 21 1805

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Sir

Lieutenant Colonel Dornien has informed me of the continual Marks of Goodness with which Your Majesty has honoured Your Royal Regiment of Horse Guards since they have been at Windsor, and of Your Majesty's

Majesty's most gracious Intention of presenting
them Yourself, with a magnificent Pair of
silver Kettle Drums on Tuesday next.

allow me Sir to express the extreme
Mortification I feel that from a severe Illness
that confines me to my bed, I am unable to
pay my Duty to Your Majesty on so remarkable
an occasion, and to receive so distinguished
a Present to the Regiment I have the Honor to
command personally from Your Majesty's own
Hand. I can therefore only in this way
humbly offer to Your Majesty the dutifull
Sense of Obligation I feel for this and every
other

Duke of Richmond & Lennox

Apr. 21 1805

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other mark of the immediate Protection
of Your Majesty, under which, from their
peculiar Situation and I hope Good Conduct,
Your Majesty has been pleased to take
Your only Regiment of Horse Guards;
in the Command of which, under Your
Majesty, it is the Pride of my declining Life
to have been placed by Your Majesty's
Spontaneous Will and Pleasure.

It is with the most profound Duty and
Humility that I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your Majesty most faithfull and
devoted Subject & Servant

Richmond and Lennox

Goodwood
21st of April 1805.

Duke of Richmond
April 21. 1805

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Wm Pitt

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Apr 21. 1805

Mr Pitt.

April 21. 1805

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to represent
to your Majesty, that after the fullest
Reflection on the best Mode of filling
the Vacancy in the Office of First Lord of
the Admiralty, He can submit no Arrangement
which appears to be so advantageous to your
Majesty's Service under all the present
Circumstances as the Appointment of Sir

Charles Midleton. His Habits and Pursuits
for a long Series of Year eminently qualify
him for the superintendance of all that relates
to improving and bearing forward our Naval
Force; and the full Knowledge he had of
the Plans which Lord Melville had put in
Train for that Purpose, would prevent any
Interruption in the Course of Measures which
had been honored with your Majesty's Approbation,
and which promised so much lasting
Benefit to the Service. - In general
Politics he cannot be expected to take any

Wm Pitt

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Share, but his Strength and Vigor of Mind
seem fully equal to the Business of the
Department, for a Time; and if any other
more eligible Arrangement should hereafter
present itself, there would be no Difficulty
in his making way for it, when the Objects
which press most at present may have been
completed. Should your Majesty be
graciously pleased to approve of this proposal
Mr Pitt trusts your Majesty will see no
Objection to conferring on Sir Charles Middleton
the Rank of a Baron; as it seems necessary

that a Person holding so high and responsible
an office should have a seat in one of the
Houses of Parliament, and his becoming a
Member of the House of Commons seems in
this instance to be neither desirable nor
practicable

Towning Street
Sunday. April 21. 1805.

Lord Mulgrave

April 22. 1805

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Downing Street
April 22^d 1805

Lord Mulgrave has the Honour to transmit to your Majesty, a note presented by Comte Woronzow, and to submit to your Majesty's consideration the draft of a note which Lord Mulgrave proposes, with your Majesty's gracious approbation, to present in answer to that of the Russian Ambassador.

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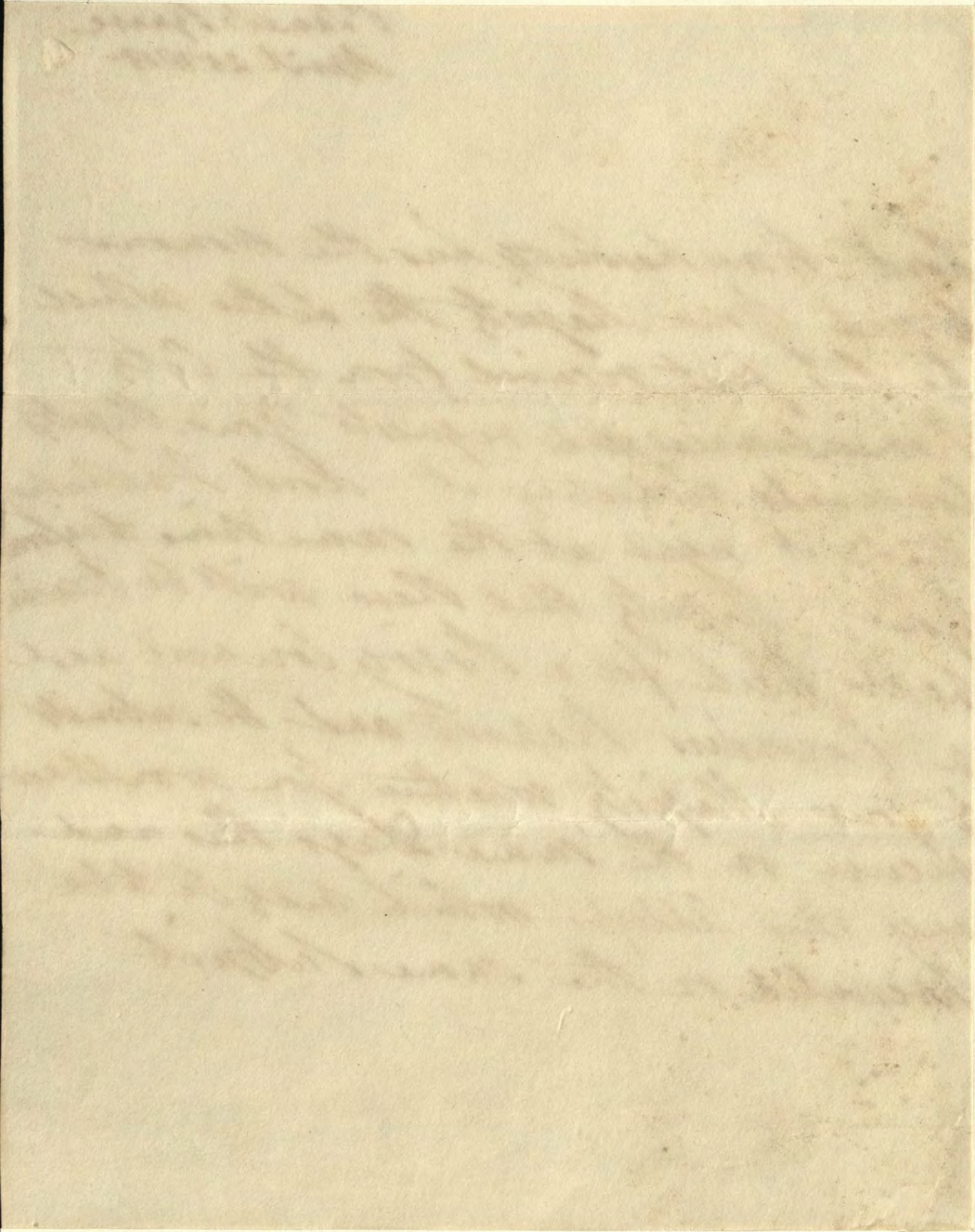


Lord Howe
Lord Hawkebury
April 25. 1705

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St James's Square
April 25 1705

Lord Hawkebury has the Honour
to send Your Majesty the Letter which
he has just received from the City
Remembrance and requests Your Majesty's
Commands respecting it Lord Hawkebury
thinks it right at the same time to inform
Your Majesty that there will be occasion
next Week for a Privy Council and
a Recorder's Report and he submits
to Your Majesty whether you would not
receive on the same Day this and
any other Addresses which may be to be
presented on the same Subject



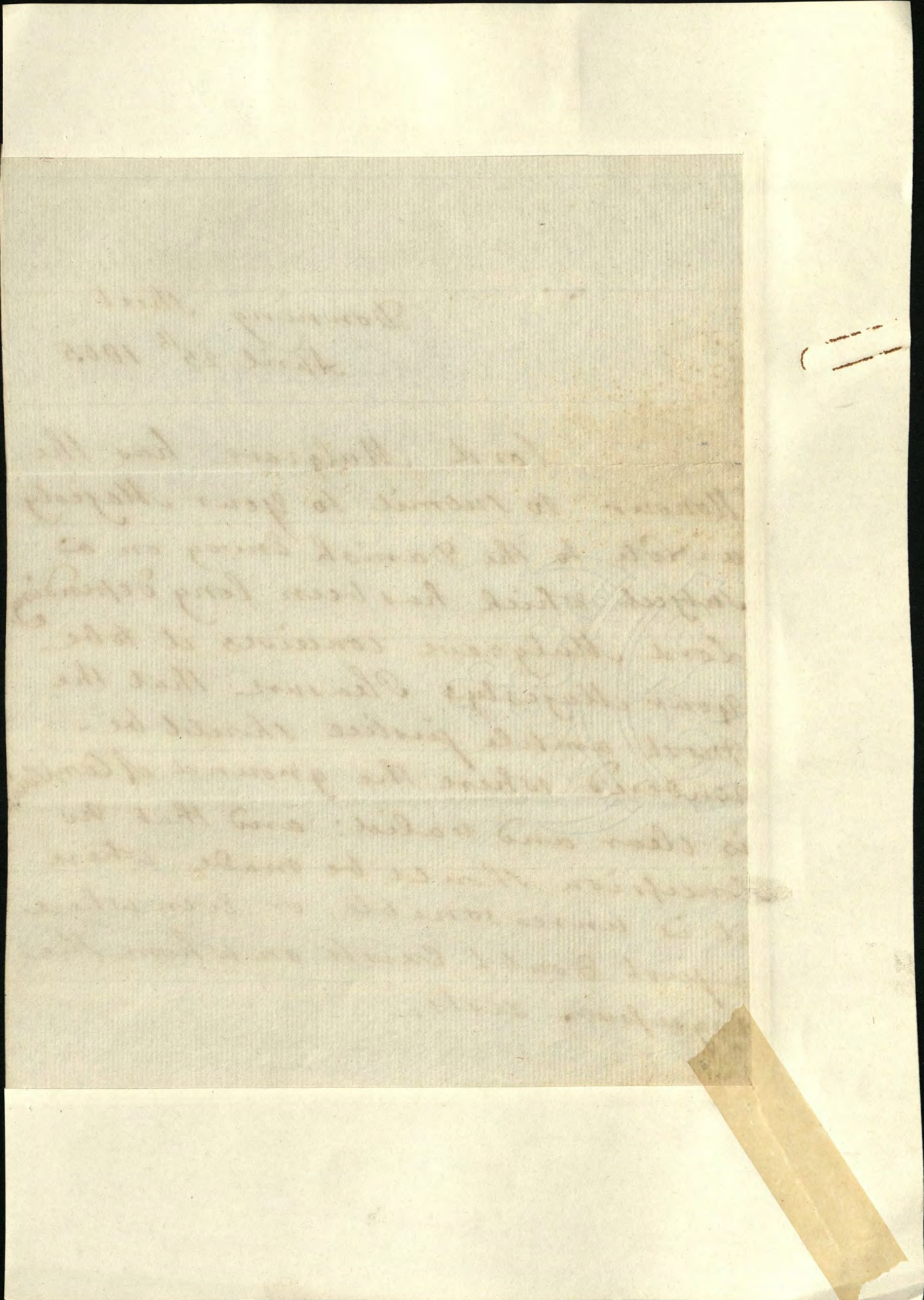
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Lord Mulgrave
April 25. 1805

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Downing Street
April 25th 1805

Lord Mulgrave has the Honour to submit to your Majesty a Note to the Danish Envoy on a subject which has been long depending. Lord Mulgrave conceives it to be your Majestys Pleasure that the most ample justice should be rendered where the ground of Complaint is clear and valid: and that no concession should be made where it is unreasonable, or even where a just doubt exists on whom the aggression rests.



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Wm. Pitt

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26 Apr 1805

W Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint
Your Majesty that on Mr Whitbread's moving
for a select Committee to examine farther
into the 10th Report, and stating that he
should follow that motion by one desiring
the Attorney General to file a Bill for
recovering the amount of any Profits made
by Lord Melville or Mr Trotter, W Pitt

proposed an amendment to confine the
examination of the select committee to those
points not intended to be included in the
legal proceeding. After a long debate,
the House divided for the original motion 151,
and 229 for Mr Pitt's Amendment which
was accordingly carried. Mr Pitt then
proposed that the committee should be
chosen by ballot instead of being named

Wm. Pitt

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in the House, and the motion for the
Ballot was carried by 251 to 120.

I remain your
obedient servant.

Friday April 26th 1805. Wm Pitt

Mr Pitt.

April 26. 1705

Lord Mulgrave
April 20. 1805

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April 28th 1805

Lord Mulgrave has the Honour to acquaint your Majesty that M. de Rehausen is arrived from Stockholm with credentials as Minister from that Court; which He is desirous of presenting as early as possible to your Majesty: Lord Mulgrave begs to know your Majestys Pleasure as to the attendance of that Minister on Wednesday next for that Purpose, and of Mr. Silverhelm for His audience of leave: Mr. Spenser Smith also begs to be presented to your Majesty on His return from His Mission to the Court of Wurtemberg.

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Lord Sidmouth
April 20. 1805

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Richmond Park.
April 20th 1805
6. P. M.

In consequence of an Intimation, which
Lord Sidmouth has this moment
received, through Mr. Vassitt, from
His Royal Highness The Duke of
Cumberland, He thinks it his Duty
humbly to apprise your Majesty
that some painful Impressions, which
had been made upon his Mind, and
which had led to an Apprehension
that his Continuance in Office could
neither

be attended with a Prospect of Advancement
to your Majesty's Service, or of Comfort
to Himself, have been removed by a
full, and satisfactory Explanation in
Mr. Pitt.

Wm. Pitt

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29 Apr 1805

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint
Your Majesty, that on Mr Spencer Mankoper
moving to direct the Attorney General to
proceed by civil Suit for recovering any Profits
made on Public Money either by Mr Trotter
or Lord Melville, an Amendment was
proposed by Mr Bunker to direct instead
a criminal Prosecution against Lord Melville.

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after a long Debate in which the Amendment
was supported by Opposition and the original
Motion by Government, the latter was
carried on a Division by 223 to 128. —
another Division afterwards took place on
a Motion of Mr Fox to adjourn (previous
to reporting the Names of the select Committee
appointed by Ballot in consequence of the
Vote of Thursday) in which the Ayes were
only 98, and the Noes 244. — The Names
were then reported but Notice was given
by Mr Whitbread of a Motion tomorrow

Wm. Pitt

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for expanding some of those Names and substituting others.

Mr Pitt feels it his duty not to omit apprising your Majesty, that a Discussion has taken place within these few days with Lord Redmouth, in consequence of the late Arrangement at the Admiralty, which occasioned no small uneasiness to his friends, but which he is happy to say is terminated in a way which removes the Apprehension of any Embarrassment to your Majesty's Service. He trusts your Majesty will pardon his not

now entering into Particulars, especially as
Your Majesty will be known have an
Opportunity of learning them tomorrow
from Lord Newbury

Yours truly

Tuesday April 29th. 1805. 9. A.M.

Mr Pitt
April 29. 1805

Ld. Hawkesbury

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St James's Square
April 29 1803

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Lord Hawkesbury had intended to
pay his Duty to your Majesty tomorrow
at Windsor in consequence of Circumstances
of which your Majesty will have been
informed by Mr Pitt and which
have fortunately ended in a manner
different from what might have been
at first apprehended. As Lord
Hawkesbury understands that your
Majesty comes to Read tomorrow
morning in your Way to Town,
he will so arrange the Affairs
of waiting on your Majesty as
now at half past twelve o'clock
and

and of receiving these Your Majesty's
Commands whether you will be
pleased to honour him with an
Audience

Ld. Camden

Apr. 29 1805

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25 Apr 1805

Ld. Camden humbly begs leave
to acquaint your Majesty, that
it is the Opinion of your Majesty's
Servant, that a force should
be collected at Cork, of at least
five thousand men ready to embark
at a moments warning, in the event
of such Information being received
of the probable destination of the
French Fleet, as to make it expedient

~~I detach that force from this County~~

If your Majesty shall be graciously
pleas'd to express your approbation
of the Assembly of such a force with
Transports at Cork to receive Slaves
them - Sir Royal Aylmer The

Commander in Chief proposes that
the 8th, 24th 28th Regiments should be
sent from Great Britain & that
the 32nd, 38th, 41st, 42nd 28th Regiments

Ld. Camden

Apr. 29 1805

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new on Ireland that he embarked
from thence - His Royal Highness
who proposes to recommend to your
Majesty's favorable consideration
Lt. Gen. Sir Eyre Coote to be placed at
the Head of this Detachment of your
Majesty's Army?

London April 29
½ past 5 P.M.

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Lord Camden

April 29 1785

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Marchioness of Sligo
Grafton St. 29. April. 1805.

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The Marchioness of Sligo is perfectly unable
to express to your Majesty, the humble Gratitude
Mrs Howe feels for the very high Honors conferred upon
her, by your Majesty's most gracious Letter. Her
disorder being now nearly removed, Lady Sligo
wishes that Mrs Howe's anxious wish to be able to

thrown herself at your Majesty's feet, will indeed be
to take that care of herself which alone is necessary
to ensure her perfect recovery

Lady St. John most humbly solicits permission to
offer her most grateful thanks to your Majesty
for having laid your Commands on her to ensure
so much happiness to Mrs. St. John

Walter St. John
April 29th

Ld. Camden

Apr. 30 1805

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London No
April 30
9 o'clock
P.M.

Lord Camden humbly begs
leave to acquaint your Majesty,
that this is the Opinion of your
Majesty's Servants, that, with a
view to prevent the Enrichment,
by British Capital, of those
Colonies & Settlements which have
been conquered by your Majesty's
Arms, during the present War &
which may possibly be restored
at a general Peace, It would be

expedient to prohibit the
Importation of Slaves for the
Cultivation of Fresh Land into
such Colonies or Settlements,
& only to permit the Importation
of them Slaves which are necessary
to keep up the present Stocks
by License from the Governours
of such Colonies; & for this
purpose your Majesty's Servants
humbly recommend, that an Order
in Council should be issued by

Ld. Camden

Apr. 30 1805

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your Majesty in Council; and how
Camden begs to propose that if this
Order can be prepared by to morrow
that your Majesty may be graciously
pleas'd to direct, that it should be
issued,

Lord Camden conceives it to
be necessary to observe to your
Majesty, that the Principles on
which your Majesty's Servants
unanimously recommend this Order
to your Majesty do not, on any

Lord Liverpool

April 30. 1803

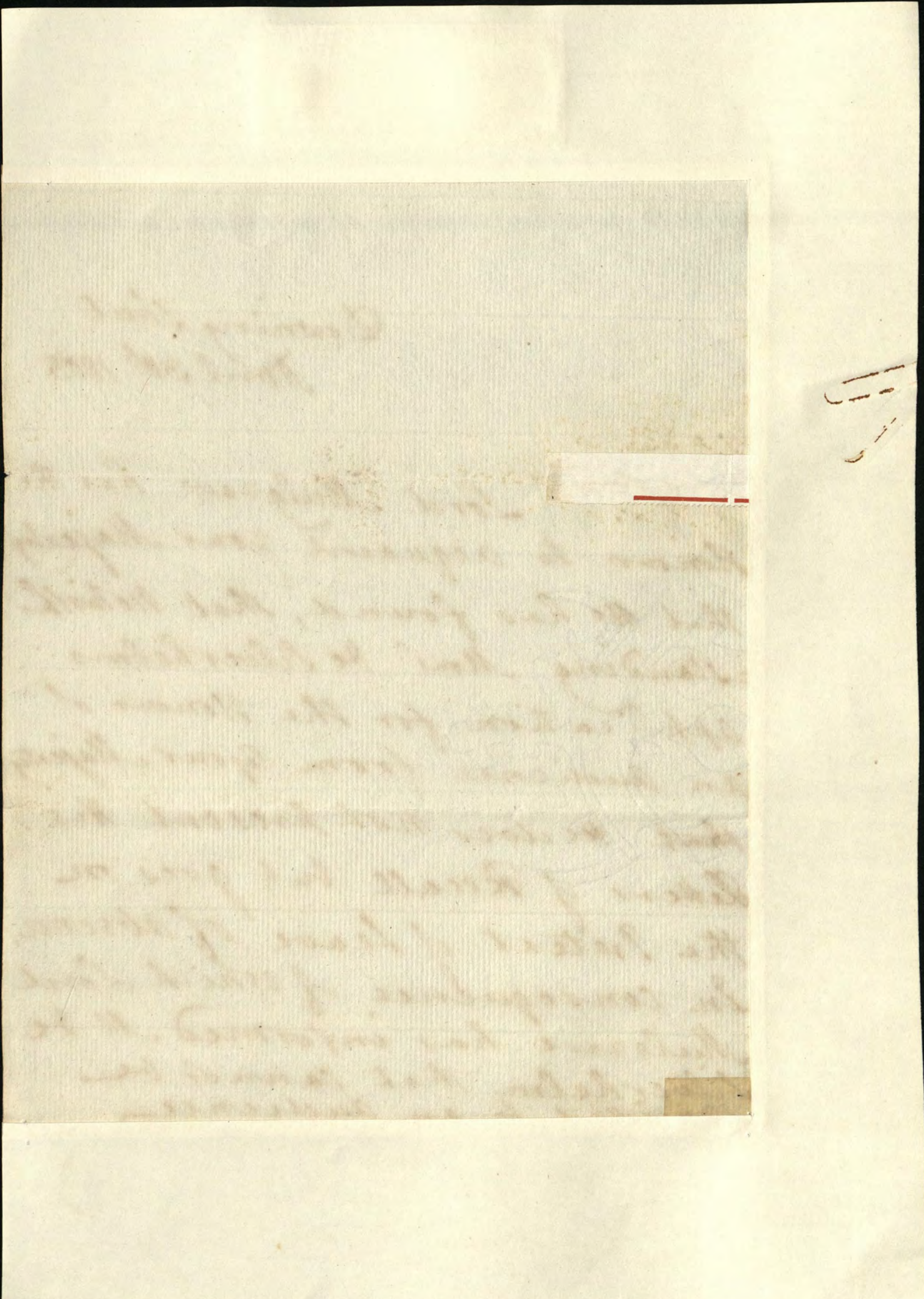
degree involve any Decision upon
the Opinions which are entertained
on the General Question of the
Slave Trade, & that those Persons
who are the most favorable to
those who are the most adverse
to the Abolition of that Trade
agree in the Policy of the Colonies
in Council which Lord Camden
offers to your Majesty's Consideration.

Lord Mulgrave
April 30. 1805

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Downing Street
April 30th 1805

Lord Mulgrave has the
Honour to acquaint your Majesty
that he has found, that notwith-
-standing Mons^r de Silverhelms
application for the Honour of
an audience from your Majesty
~~that~~ he does not present his
Letters of Recall but goes on
the pretext of leave of absence;
In consequence of which Lord
Mulgrave has informed M. de
Silverhelm that cannot be
admitted to an audience



Mr Pitt.

April 30. 1805

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30 Ap. 1805

Midnight

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint your
Majesty that Mr Whitbread this day moved
to expunge from the list of the Select Committee
the Names of Lord Castlereagh, The Master of
the Rolls and some others. The Motion was
supported by Mr Fox, Mr Sheridan Mr Fuller,
Mr Jebb, Mr Windham, Mr Grey and Mr
Martin; and was opposed by The Master of

The Rolls, Mr J. H. W. Wotley, Mr Lascelles
Mr Canning, Lord Carteridge, The Attorney
General, and Mr R. Thornton. On a division
Mr Whitbread's motion was rejected by
219 to 86.

Towning Street.

Tuesday April 30th 1805. Midnight.