

H. M. to Lord North

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x Lord North, There is a great difficulty if not impossibility
of enfranchising the Copy holds of Richmond; the Application
of Lady Fitzwilliams for a special Act to render her
Land a Free hold has given rise to an idea of
applying to Parliament for empowering the Queen
as Lady of the Manour during life to enfranchise such
of the Copy hold Tenants as she may think proper,
the true reason is that there are some purchases
that may in time be agreeable to her which could
obtain on easier terms if that boon on such
occasions could be granted; I have ordered Mr. Vayer
to wait upon you and state it more fully, that if
you see no objection to it a Bill may be prepared
for that purpose, as it is an ease to the Subject
it cannot I should think meet with difficulty

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