

H. N. to Lord North

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Lord North, The Sheriffs of London have been here
this Evening with a Message as I understand from
the Lord Mayor; I ordered them to be acquainted that
I did not receive message from the City but on Court
days at St. James's I understand they will therefore
come tomorrow after the Drawing Room; I take it
for granted it is to know when the Lord Mayor may
bring the Petition against the Quebec Bill, I were
whether it is to be called also an Address and in
either case I think it scarcely decent to receive
them; if in the latter case there must be an answer
which certainly ought to teach them that they are not
proper advisers on Political questions. I desire to
hear what you have heard on the subject, that I may
know what Message they are to bring upon the
whole I suppose it is just to make a noise on Thursday
at their Common Hall
June 18th 1774

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