

Duke of Somerset.

to 7. Hertford

November 3. 1777

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My Dear Lord,

Hearing by the Gazette that the Parliament is appointed to meet the latter end of this Month I have taken the liberty you have hitherto indulg'd me with of inclosing you my Proxy which You'll be so good as to fill up with your Name; believing neither of us have any Reason to be better satisfied with the American Rascals than last Year. As His Majesty will have so many Friends in both Houses, my personal Attendance may be dispens'd with: But if there is any absolute Necessity, You'll be so obliging as to acquaint me.

My best Respects attend Your whole Family: And believe me to be, in great Truth,

My Dear Lord,

Your Affectionate Cousin,
faithful Friend, & Servant

M. Bradley }
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Somerset

Handwritten text on a piece of paper pasted onto a larger sheet. The text is written in cursive and is mostly illegible due to fading and bleed-through from the reverse side. The visible words include "Dear", "I am", "very", "much", "afflicted", "with", "illness", "and", "am", "unable", "to", "write", "you", "more", "fully", "at", "present", "but", "I", "trust", "I", "shall", "be", "able", "to", "do", "so", "in", "a", "few", "days", "I", "am", "yours", "very", "truly", "John", "Locke".