

Lord North

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Lord North has the honour of writing
to his Majesty a long Letter which he
has just received from my Lord Strem-
-celler, by which he conjectures that
his Lordship is inclined to leave the
Administration. Indeed this is to be expected
from other quarters, & Lord North has learn-
ed to submit to his Majesty, that it will
be right to turn in his thoughts some
Plans of alterations in the Administration.
For, as Lord North has more than once

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suggested to his Majesty, such a measure
will certainly become necessary in a short
time.

Upon the Ld. of Northumberland's visit
to Lord Chatham, the latter lamented the
situation of the country, & said himself
afraid that it might be too late to save
it, but added that no man would
undertake that perilous task, unless called
upon by the King, & a pretty general promise
put into his hands.

Ld. North thinks it right to mention
all he knows to his Majesty. There is
no doubt but if a change of admini-

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-tration should become requisite, Ld. Chatham
is of all the opposition, the person who
would be of most service to his Majesty,
& probably, the least extravagant
in his demands.

Damning Street Feb. 16. 1778.

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M. Charleson writes to
Loring & Brownish
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- M. Charleson remains.