

A. Le. to Lord North

2797

Lucas House
March 3^d 1776 ^m 30th P.M.

Lord North, I have received the box with the voluminous
enclosures, which I shall return this evening; and since
that your note accompanying the enclosed note from
Mr. Eden. I own, I think Lord G. Germain's defection
a most favourable event he has so many Enemies, that
I had have ~~been~~ ^{been} a heavy load whenever the failure
of the Expedition under Lord G. Buryne came to be
convers'd in Parliament; yet I never would have recommended
his removal unless with his own good will, now he will
sure us all trouble, the laying it on my bequeathing
the Government of Charlemond on Carleton is quite
absurd and shows the malevolence of his mind.
Carleton was highly wrong in permitting his pen to
convey such asperity to a Secretary of State, and
therefore has been removed from the Government
of Canada, but his meritorious defence of Quebec made
him a proper object for a Military reward, and as
such I would not think of providing for any other General
till I had paid the Debt his Services had a right to claim.

[Faint, illegible cursive handwriting on a piece of paper pasted onto a larger sheet.]

3 March 1778