

W. H. to Lord North Draft of 2836

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Lord North may depend on my never departing from
the powers gave him in my letter of Sunday last
that he might attempt to acquire auxiliaries to
the present Administration; but he will remember
that in any treaty the basis of the whole is that Lord
North remains first Lord of the Treasury and Chancellor
of the Exchequer, Mr. Pitt Vice Chancellor, Lord
Suffolk, Gower, Weymouth, and Sandwich in the
cabinet offices as they may like best, and that
Mr. Wedderburne be placed to his mind; as to the
paper drawn up by Eden, which I return, you are
the best judge whether ^{it leaves} ~~any~~ ^{any} ground
~~is left~~ ^{is left} ~~for the only~~ ^{for the only} ~~part~~ ^{part} ~~that~~ ^{that} ~~will~~ ^{will} ~~ever~~ ^{ever} ~~agree~~ ^{agree} ~~to~~ ^{to}
~~the~~ ^{the} ~~contract~~ ^{contract}; but my dear Lord understand me clearly
I will hear of none, but ~~one~~ ^{one} the ground I have now
again repeated, and which by Lord Suffolk's
report to me on Sunday when you had shown
him the full and affectionate letter I had wrote
unto you, that you ^{had} told him it was all you
could expect from me.

