

H. E. Lord North

Mar. 24 1778

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to 2873

Lord North, On Sunday Morning I sent my letter at five minutes after eight, consequently was unfortunate in your having left town so early that morning; but though your letter for the last two days might perhaps have bore to one less acquainted with you than I am, unpleasant interpretations, yet I was too fully acquainted with your Duty and Affection for my Person, and of your Honour and Integrity, but to be convinced that could not be intended to state any thing, but your unhappy diffidence of yourself.

I desire you will call here at two this day, that being necessary step for bringing to the debate or suspension of Men of abilities may not an hour longer be delayed. If the fatigue of the House of Commons or other business shall render that hour inconvenient, then wish to see you at eight this evening; for I am resolved to show the World that neither Zeal, Activity, nor Resolution are wanting in me, when the times require it, to forward with the greatest expedition every measure that can be necessary for the Security or Honour of my Dominions.

Lucas's House on
March 24th 1778⁵⁵ N. 7 Q. M.

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