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Mr. Thurlow & Mr. Wedderburn

Lord North, I have received the List of the Secret Committee
chosen Yesterday by Ballot.

I must insist on no time being lost in speaking to the
Attorney concerning his taking the Great Seal, as my
intention is to confer it on him next Saturday that he
may be able to appear in the Debate on the case of
the State of the Nation on Tuesday next. You yesterday
renewed your request that I would think of an arrangement
to release you from your present situation; it is
impossible for me to stir a step until the Great Seal
is in respectable hands; the situation of the Solicitor
General is quite different, an arrangement of a
permanent kind is to be made to satisfy him, the
Attorney is to be brought forward to give energy to
the first Station in the Law, therefore I only propose
what is of use to my service, and leave the other
to your arranging when it suits you best

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