

H. H. to Lord North

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Not having seen Lord Suffolk this day I had no intimation
of the Pocket Book that was brought in to Lord North on
Friday, until the letter I received at St. James's from Lord
North this day; I rather suppose it will turn out a
scheme to alarm than a real design of assassination;
it is certainly right to examine such things to the bottom
even when no great credit is given to them. As to my own
feelings they always incline me to put trust where alone
it can avail in the Almighty Ruler of the Universe
who knows what best suits His Allwise purposes,
This being the Week I go to the Holy Communion, I
had no thoughts of going unto the Play.

I shall not add any thing concerning the Arrangement
as I understand I shall see ^{Lord North} ~~Mr~~ on Wednesday by
which time I trust His mind will be formed to
speak with more precision than when I conversed
with him on Friday; for things were ^{more} advanced the
smallest degree more advanced than when first
broached by Lord Suffolk three weeks ago.

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

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