

Ld North

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Ld North has the honour of
inclosing three letters of intelligence
for his Majesty's perusal. They all
agree in a story of an English Frigate
taken by a French Frigate near S.
Domingo, but as they differ in the
number of guns & the name of the
ship, & as we have received no account
of it, Ld North is in hopes that the
ship taken is only a merchant ship
or, at most, a privateer. There is a very

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singular anecdote in English at the end of
one of the letters, which Lord North knows
but how to believe, as he has received
no such information from any other quar-
-ter.

Lord Clarendon told Lord North
yesterday at court that Lord Howe's
most earnest wish was to see some
military preferment or distinction
confer'd upon his Brother, which
might mark that his Majesty did
not disapprove of his services. He

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addd that such a promotion would
he believes, put all ideas of equity
out of his head, as well as his brother's

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Ed. Moore & his mother

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