

Ld. North

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Ld North has, in obedience to his Majesty's commands, been to wait upon Sr Charles Hardy, & has the honour of informing his Majesty that he declines the board of Admiralty unless he can have it as Sr Hugh Palliser had it conjointly with the Lieutenant Generalship of the Marines. He says, that his

family will suffer by the diminution
of his income, if he quits Greenwich
Hospital, & has only a seat at the
Admiralty in exchange. He hopes, therefore,
to be put exactly on the footing of
Mr Hugh Palliser, to which he thinks
he may aspire without any impropriety
considering his rank in the
service.

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fix'd in his opinion, he took his leave
without been able finally to settle

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J. Parker Hardy