

H. M. to Lord North

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The King to the University

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If attention has been shewn to get an attendance this day, there is only reason to be sorry that the Universities have lost a revenue they have so long enjoyed; but should that not be the case they will feel hurt that they have not been so zealously assisted as they might with reason expect.

I am sorry to find by Lord North's letter that the examination in the House of Commons or Sir W. Howe is taking a turn contrary to his wishes; I once I never thought the declarations through Lord Clarendon ought to have been so much relied on, and when once the papers were permitted to come before Parliament and that to crown all Sir G. Germain chose to bring a specific disapprobation of the landing at the head of Elk, it was impossible to resist the examining Witnesses.

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