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Mr. Robinson hopes he shall not err in presuming to acquaint your Majesty, that Lord North had a Conversation with the Attorney General yesterday, which seems not to have ended pleasantly, as the Attorney General afterwards declared to the Lord Advocate, that it was impossible for him to go near Lord North again; altho' Mr. Robinson understands from Lord North, that he consented, to write to Sir Joseph Yorke to ask him to accept the Secretary of State, and to see Lord Hardwicke upon it, and in that Case, said, he must make his Excuses to Lord Hillsborough - The Lord Advocate was to have a fuller Conversation with the Attorney General, and promised to state the purport of it to Mr. Robinson, but the Lord Advocate said that the Attorney General

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Generals Mind seemed yesterday to be so irritated,
 that he appeared desperately determined to overturn
 Your Majesty's Administration or to carry his Points,
 and that since he found he could not be the Chief
 Justice of the Common Pleas with a peerage, he
 most certainly was pressed forward by the Intrigues
 and from the Brevis, of others, to look for the Office of
 Secretary of State, altho' he would not speak out
 explicitly to Lord North; and this seems to accord
 with his being so very much out of Temper, even after
 Lord North appeared so far to waive Lord Hillsborough
 as to write to Sir Joseph Yorke to offer him that Office.
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 of this transaction, that altho' he formerly thought the
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Attorney Generals Assistance of so much consequence
as that he could not go on without him, yet he now says,
that the Attorney General is so very troublesome, he should
not be sorry, if upon the Chief Justice's death, who
has been ill, the Attorney General was to succeed to
his Wishes. Mr Robinson is extremely sorry that
he happens not to have a Box here to send to your
Majesty.

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Mr. Pitt
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