

Lord North.

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Lord North, having just received
the news of the Duke of Sutherland's
death, has the honour of informing his
Majesty, that Lord Stormont wrote to
him a few days ago to desire that, in
case of this event, he would by his
humble duty before his Majesty & request
that he may succeed to the Office
of Lord Justice General of Scotland.

Lord North humbly begs leave to add

that he thinks Lord Stormont from his
age, character, & standing in his Majesty's
Service, as well intitled to the Office
as any person who is likely to be a
candidate for it.

Lord North has the honour of adding
that he hears that the Duke of North-
umberland would have no objection
to a great office about his Majesty,
& would be well pleased to succeed
the late Duke of Newcastle as
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does not mention this of his own know-
ledge, & can only speak of it as a
report. His reason for saying any thing
of it at present is, that the Duke
of Northumberland at court made an ap-
pointment ^{to} the Lord North to call upon him on
Saturday next when it is possible that
his Grace may intend to discover his
partiments.

Dorning Street Oct 22. 1/2 p. 1/2 o'clock

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