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Since I paid my Duty to your Majesty, I have seen Mr Robinson, & I learn from him that d<sup>r</sup> Hillsborough has had a conversation with Mr Bursford on his being surstary to the Lord Lieutenant; This Mr Bursford told Mr Robinson which gave him an opportunity of talking to him upon it likewise; In this conversation Mr Bursford said, that if it was thought to be of use to your Majesty's Government, he was ready to be surstary under the present Lord Lieutenant (though that would have many Disagreements) or under any other; He desir<sup>d</sup> that he wish'd that his Relation d<sup>r</sup> Fowleshead was the Lord Lieutenant, as he had a Party al  
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ready form<sup>d</sup> in that Kingdom & would cer-  
 tainly be able to do your Majesty's Busi-  
 ness there. I thought it right to apprise  
 your Majesty of all this, as I perceive  
 that a great deal will come forward on  
 this subject in the course of a few days:  
 Mr Robinson told me also that Mr Be-  
 usford had a conversation with the Lord  
 Chancellor before he went to Bath, &  
 that he was of opinion that the Govern-  
 ment of Ireland ought to be changed.

I think that Mr Gurnsham  
 would probably be able to do your  
 Majesty's Business in that Country;  
 but Apperances are certainly against the  
 Appointment of him. These are Reasons  
 which make me incline to the putting of  
 the Government of Ireland at present  
 into the Hands of Lord's Deputies.

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1<sup>st</sup> The Difficulties of the present Times justify a Change like this in the Government of that Country.

2<sup>dy</sup> It will be easier to find an English Nobleman, who is proper to be put at the Head of such a Commission than to find one that is qualified to exercise all the Powers of a Lord Lieutenant.

3<sup>dy</sup> It may be made the means of pledging two considerable Irish Families to the support of the Measures of English Government there; Lord Shannon & Lord Tyrone have shown by their Attachment & Fidelity on a late occasion that they may be trusted. They will be more than a Match for all the Powers of the Duke of Leinster & Mr Conolly; & Mr Bunsford would be a more proper Secretary to such a Commission, than to any

any Lord Lieutenant except Lord Town  
head.

4 Why the removal of Lord Basking  
ham would in such case be less offensive  
to Him. It will be less offensive to be  
removed, because your Majesty thinks it  
right for reasons of State to change for  
the present the System of your Govern-  
ment than to be removed for the purpose  
of appointing in His place another Lord  
Lieutenant, the System continuing the  
same.

I hope your Majesty will excuse my  
presumption in submitting these Ideas  
to your Consideration.

From

Your Majesty's  
Dutiful Subject  
G. Lockhart