

H. N. to H. North

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The fate of no question this Session more sincerely interested Me than that of Yesterday, and as such Mr. North will easily believe how much I am pleas'd at the Majority it is found ~~to~~ ^{to} be a ~~profit~~ ^{profit} ~~ab~~ ^{ab} experience that every invitation to reconciliation only strengthens the Demagogues in America in their Arts to convince the Debauch'd People that a little farther resistance must make the Mother Country yield, whilst at this hour every account of the Distresses of that Country shews that they must sue for peace this Summer if no great disaster befalls us. I understand the British Minister has had Letters from a Correspondent at Paris whose intelligence he says has always proved true, that Letters are arriv'd with the News of the Surrender of Charleston the 29th of May, occasioned by a Bombardment which had destroyed part of the Town; that this comes from Rappahannock should this be so the Congress will soon be retir'd by the Distresses of that Debauch'd People.

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