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Lord North had the honour of receiving his Majesty's commands on Saturday morning, & gave immediate directions in consequence to Mr Jackson from whom he has since heard that V. Admiral Darby, has answered the first order he received with a very respectful acknowledgement, & with the most ready & prompt obedience. He has likewise been informed that Lord Sandwich has sent over to his Majesty's draughts of two orders for V. Admiral Barrington for his Majesty's choice, & that his Majesty

would, probably, signify his pleasure through  
Lord North. As Lord North has ever since  
Sunday morning been at Mr Robinson's office  
Heal, & it is said that some orders of His Majesty  
may have mis'd him, but trusts that no delay  
of any consequence will have happen'd.

Upon considering all that can be said for  
& against Mr Brudenell's wish for a peerage.  
The principal objection appears to be, that he  
has no estate at present, & that he seeks for  
this dignity purely to avoid the trouble &  
fatigue of attending the H<sup>o</sup> of Commons. On  
the other Mr Brudenell is a man of a very  
noble family, very polite manners, much respect-

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ed, & generally belov'd. His Elder & his younger  
Brethren are both Peers, He will, probably  
not have any progeny, & he will certainly suc-  
ceed to a Peerage, so that this creation  
will add to the No. of Lords for a very  
short time. If your Majesty consents to this  
promotion. The Creation officers will be  
as follows.

1. L<sup>d</sup> Talbot with reversion to Lady Cecil  
Pier.
2. Lord Gage.
3. Mr Fitzroy
4. Mr Brudenell.
5. S<sup>r</sup> William Bageot.

6. 1<sup>st</sup> William de Grey.

7. Mr Herbert.

If it is his Majesty's pleasure, Lord North will signify his Majesty's gracious intentions to Mr Brudenell, Lord Talbot, & Lady Cecil Rice. The part which Lord Talbot has after taken in Parliament was calculated to do more mischief to Government than perhaps in the event it did, & if he should receive this favour through any but a ministerial channel, it will counteract the distinction he always

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endeavours to set up between the King & the Ministers, which, however parliamentary & convenient for the purposes of Administration, are in the mouth of a peerman of the most pernicious consequence to the weight & credit of government. Lord North is, however, much afraid that his Lordship has not the least idea of giving up his existing place for a recessary peerage, at least, so it appeared, when the transaction was set on foot for accommodating Lord Suffolk. Though the latter had been led by Mr Piers's conversations, into a notion that Lord Talbot would give up his place to secure the

reversion to his family. It turned out, however,  
upon examination that an equivalent for  
the place was expected in addition to the  
honour, & all his Lordships's readiness to  
accommodate amounted to nothing more than  
that he was ready to exchange what he  
had for something better. If he could now  
be induced to quit his White Staff it might  
be convenient but even if he should not,  
The reversionary Reversion to his family  
will meet with general approbation.

Lord North has the honour to  
submit the proposed arrangements for his  
Majesty's approbation.

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Lords of Bedchamber { --- Lord Boston.  
--- Lord Onslow.

Treasurer of Household. --- Lord Cranburn.

Comptroller of D<sup>o</sup>. --- Lord Lisburn.

Lords of Adm: { --- Lord Robert Spencer,  
--- Mr Grenville. It L<sup>d</sup> Robert  
delivers. w<sup>th</sup>  
Tolliffe  
--- V. Adm: Larby.

L<sup>ds</sup> of Trade. { 2 Mr Sloane.  
3 Mr Adam.  
4 Mr Langlois.  
1 L<sup>d</sup> Lewisham. It L<sup>d</sup> R. Spencer  
& Mr Eden vacate.

Clerks of Green Cloth { Mr Wm Gordon.  
Mr Lovel Stanhope.

Commissary Mr Bowby. in Parliament.  
of musters

Comptroller  
of Army acct. Mr D'Agly

ordnances  
Storekeeper. . . . Mr Strachey.  
Clerk of Delinquencies. Mr Kenrick.

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Mr Eden, in great uneasiness, has sent to decline the Secretaryship of Ireland, & to quit the Board of Trade.

Mr James Longue leaves Parliament, & must not continue at the Board. Perhaps His Majesty may be applied to for some provision till a place falls which he may hold.

It is not yet certain whether Lord Pembroke wishes to be removed to the Admiralty. If he does not, Mr Jollyffe may be a Lord of the Adm. Had Lord Pembroke must wait for another vacancy before he



is brought into place

Mr Kenrick stands for a Borough at this Election by which he will vacate a seat at the Stamp Office. It is proposed to bring him to the Board of Ordnance in consequence of the vacancy made by Mr Langlois.

Lord North has omitted in his list Four Gentlemen.

Receiver Gen<sup>l</sup> of Stamp duties - Mr Kops.  
 Treasurer of Ordnance - Mr Combe.  
 Lords of Treasury { Mr Rich: Sutton.  
 - Mr Baskers.

Lord North is much concerned that he can not have a more useful speaker

than Mr Buller, & more so that Mr Eden  
lays such a stress upon being a short time  
at the Treasury: Lord North would certainly  
have prefer'd Mr Eden for the utility of his  
assistance at the Treasury, but the appointing  
him for a few days would be so singular  
perhaps, so offensive, & certainly so useless  
to him that he is astonish'd to find Mr  
Eden sacrificing to that consideration a  
situation so great, so honorable, & so advan-  
-tagous as the post of Secretary to the Lord  
Lieutenant of Ireland.

The account that is come to England from  
Mr Manders at Paris of the Ships taken  
in the convey is said to be as follows.

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4 E. India Ships.

2h. W. India Ships

X 17. Transports.

2 Million of Dollars in Specie.

X This must be West Indianmen with  
part of Gen: Rainford's Regiment on  
board.

This account may not be correct, but it  
seems as if it might not be far from  
the Truth: If it is true. 1 E. Indianmen, &  
11. other ships have escaped.

Lord North intends to set out from  
Ston Hill about noon for Wroton, where  
he will be ready to receive his Majesty's  
commands. Ston Hill. Sep<sup>r</sup> 5. 1780.

P. S. Lord North has received answers  
to all the letters he wrote concerning  
the passages, except from Sr Wm Bage  
& Mr Fitzroy. The distance accounts for  
the former, but he is afraid that his  
letter to Mr Fitzroy may have  
miscarried.

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