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Lord North has just received the
honour of his Majesty's commands. He
had proposed to set out on Sunday for
this place, but found so much business
to be done that he was detained at
London till Tuesday afternoon. He
arrived here yesterday, & hopes to be
elected tomorrow, & on Monday next will
return to London, or sooner if it will
be of any service.

Lord North meant in his note to

submit L^d Talbot's & Mr Brudenell's
 Messages to his Majesty's consideration
 In the others he had already given notice
 upon those two. He had taken no decisive
 step. With respect to the manner of notifying
 L^d Talbot's peerage to him, Lrd North
 suggested it, for his Majesty's consideration. It
 occur'd to him that it might be the
 best for his Majesty's service, which is
 the point that should be had in view; Lrd
 North had no idea of making an artificial
 friend of Lrd Talbot, which would be a
 point most difficult to accomplish, and the

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object is certainly not among those which Lord North has much at heart. Lord North presumed to offer his advice solely with a view to what appeared to him for his Majesty's service, & with that purpose, he will execute the command & he has received from his Majesty.

As the persons, whom his Majesty designs to honour with Peerages are now dispersed, & engaged in many different businesses, Lord North believed that tomorrow evening will be a convenient day to appoint them to attend at ^{the} Council & to keep his Majesty's hand.

The reason of omitting Mr Pitt's name
in the arrangement was, that Mr Robinson
-son has for some ^{time} past, had a view to
succeed some time or other to that office, &
he appears much hurt that there had
been a thought of including it in the
present arrangement. Why he has taken such
a fancy for that office Lord North can not
tell, but he was sure that his Majesty
would consider what he has now men-
-tioned as a sufficient reason for deferring
any measure concerning it. When Mr
Robinson has a moment to spare. Lord

North will enter with him fully upon this subject.

Lord North is certainly of opinion, that Mr Eden ought to go to Ireland, which is the best thing possible for him, & the most suited to his talents & situation, & that he ought not to have prep'd for an alteration in that plan which was form'd upon the supposition that he would go thither, but Lord North very much doubts whether, as things are now circumstanced he will embark in the Irish Secretaryship. Lord North has receiv'd a letter from him which does by no means look that way.

Wroxton. Sept. 7. 1780.

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