

Ld. Stormont

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St James Sept. 19. 1780

The enclosed Letter from Lord Breadalbane is this Moment arrived.

The Lords who have applied to me to recommend them to your Majestys favour upon this occasion, stating them in the order in which their applications were made, are L^d Buchan, Lord Cathcart, L^d Kinnaird, Lord Balcarres, Lord Sumpster, L^d Sutherland & Lord Moray. L^d Glencairn & L^d Aboyn have been mentioned to me by L^d North as having applied to him. If there was any one of them who appeared to me to have clearly Pretensions superior to all the Rest I should think

think it my Duty to state them to your Majesty. But that is not the case, the Scales seem to me to hang pretty even between several of the Candidates, in that situation my wishes if I may presume humbly to mention them to your Majesty, are in favour of Lord Cathcart whose Talent I know and who I may venture to say, bids as fair as any of them for having Parliamentary Talents, and would I ~~am sure~~ use every Endeavour to distinguish himself in this Line.