

A. H. to Ld. North

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So very proper conduct as that of M<sup>r</sup>. Ellis Year is only to be found  
in Men of the last Age; His request certainly is worthy of consideration,  
I hope his removing to the Secretary's Office of the American  
Department will not occasion any trouble to Ld. North in the  
appointment of a Treasurer of the Navy; but I think it  
right to promise that if the Lord Advocate accepts it, I  
shall certainly not consent to his having his great Scotch  
Office for life; I am clear that the trouble he has given  
this Winter is not a reason for my rendering him independent  
and great as his deserts seem to be, the best English House  
of Commons Office and one of two thousand per Annum  
in Scotland during Pleasure are no small recompences  
let his merits be ever so great.

If the Office Ld. Falkland holds is agreeable to  
the Ld. of Dorset I will very willingly confer it on him.

Ld. North had best direct M<sup>r</sup>. Ellis to ask an  
Audience tomorrow when he may declare his willingness  
to accept the seals, and I will tomorrow see what day  
will best suit the inclination of Ld. G. Germain to  
resign and know what title suits him best.

I shall see what applications are made for the Highland  
Res<sup>t</sup>. before I fix on a name for Ld. Seaforth, and shall wish to  
take the man best qualified Maclean I should think therefore has but a  
small chance of merit to decide.

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