

Ed. Shelburne

May 22 1782

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Sir

I came to Town yesterday intending to see Lord Kippure, but not finding myself very well, I was afraid to trust myself to talk on business, particularly where

Persons are concern'd - I have however to you  
just now seen him, and found he com  
had been conversing with Mr or yo  
Fox, who I suppose had shook him with  
about Sir Samuel Hood - But after be h  
a good deal of conversation, We who  
agreed upon the inclos'd memo- the  
-randa, without my committing you the  
Majesty's name upon any one's left  
article, the whole to be submitted the

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However to your Majesty's Judgement and  
the consideration for as long a time  
as you think proper. Lord Kepple  
wishes some consultation should  
be had with Lord Rockingham,  
whom he has not seen being in  
the country, and Mr Fox, upon  
the subject of them. There is  
less reason than ever for opening  
the Door to English Peerages at

present, and infinite prejudices  
must result to Your Majesty's af-  
-fairs, if you do it, till your  
Government is perfectly settle'd  
I do not conceive Sir George Rod-  
-ney's peerage can do it. Sir  
James Bowdler however having  
sent to desire to see me, it may  
possibly be with that view -  
I humbly submit it to you.

Majesty as a measure, which cannot be too cautiously nor too determinedly guarded against. This measure out of the question, the expectations of the Publick seems to go very strongly to the granting him this Honor. I suppose if your Majesty commands me to acquaint his Son of your Majesty's Intentions, It will answer every purpose, but your Majesty

will have time to consider what  
mode will best guard the Door  
against other Pretensions for the  
present.

Admiral Pygott is gone, other-  
wise I own I think there is great  
Inconsistency in rewarding and  
recalling.

I have been much surpris'd  
on coming to Town this morning

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I find the Letters inclos'd from  
Mr. Oswald and Doct<sup>r</sup> Franklyn  
I sent immediately for Mr. Oswald,  
but he is not come yet.

I have the Honour to  
be with the highest Respect

Your Majesty's

Duty full Subject

Whitehall

22<sup>d</sup> May 1702

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3<sup>rd</sup> past 12 P. M.

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