

W. M. to Lord North
Enclosure to 4911

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Windsor Aug 7th 1782.

Lord North has so often whilst in Office assured me that whenever I would
consent to his retiring he would give the most cordial support to such an
Administration as I might approve of, that I should not think either
acted properly to my own Affairs or placed that confidence in ^{me} ~~him~~
~~which the Ministers have shown~~ if I did ^{not} express my strongest
wishes that he will give the most active support ^{to the next Session}
of Parliament to the Administration formed ^{with my thorough approbation} on the death of Lord
Rockingham, and that during the recess he will call on the
Country Gentlemen who certainly have great attention for him to
come early and shew their countenance by which I may be enabled
to keep the Constitution from being entirely annihilated, which must be
the case if Mr. Fox and his Associates are not withstood. Many strange
scenes have occurred in this Country but none more so than the
present contest if it is no less than whether the sole direction of All
Kingdoms ^{shall be brought} ~~is~~ ^{into} the hands of Mr. Fox; Lord North has long
known my opinion of ^{that Gentleman} ~~him~~ which has been if possible more
revivited by three Months experience of him in Office, which
has finally determined me never to employ him again consequently
the contest is become personal and he indeed sees it also in that point
of view. Lord Shelburne is acquainted with my intention of writing
to Lord North and ^{I am confident he desires of blessing} ~~will be very desirous of blessing~~
~~for the assistance of my Administration may derive in consequence of this~~
~~letter~~

