

Copy of a Message from
His Majesty to His Royal
Highness the Duke of
Gloucester, delivered by
Lord Rochford 20th May
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Lord Rochford is ordered by His Majesty to acquaint Your Royal Highness, that His Majesty is so far disposed to comply with Your Royal Highness's Request, as to have Your Royal Highness's Marriage authenticated, as soon as possible, and that The King in Council will direct the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chancellor, and the Bishop of London forthwith to enquire into the Legality of the said Marriage, and to certify their Opinion, together with the Proofs, to His Majesty in Council, in order that the same may be recorded in the Books of the Council Office. As to Your Royal Highness's other Request of the Attendance of the Privy Council at the Dutchess's delivery, The King remains of the same Opinion, that
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some of Your Royal Highness's principal Servants should
attend, in order that the Birth may be properly
authenticated. =