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Lord Chatham, Lieutenant General Conway has declared  
his intention of resigning as soon as the Parliament is  
propogued; the Lord President's health <sup>declines so</sup> ~~is so~~ <sup>far</sup>  
that he cannot any longer go through the functions of his  
employment; M<sup>r</sup> Townshend says he is willing to remain  
provided stability can be obtained, but not if the  
Administration is patched as he terms it; the Duke of  
Grafton tho' full of zeal for my person, yet is unwilling  
to trace a plan for my Approbation, unless you are able  
to give your ~~own~~ ~~hand~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~effected~~; I therefore  
once more call upon you for that purpose, & with the more  
earnestness as I look upon success as certain, <sup>if you take part</sup> the Majority  
in ~~the~~ <sup>both</sup> Houses of Lords as well as in that of Commons being  
now very handsome; I am thoroughly resolved to encounter any  
difficultys rather than yield to faction, this is so congenial



with your ideas that I ~~am~~ thoroughly persuaded your  
own feelings will make you take an active part at  
this hour, which will not only give lustre & ease to the  
Subsequent years of my Reign, but ~~afford~~ <sup>will raise</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>degree</sup>  
~~reputation~~ <sup>in times of such</sup> of your own political life, above that of the  
late memorable War; such ends to be obtained would almost  
<sup>awaken</sup> ~~give life to~~ the great Men of <sup>of this Country of former Ages,</sup> ~~Antiquity~~ therefore  
must oblige you to cast aside any remains of your late  
indisposition