Mr. Grenville
1st May 1790

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Whitehall ¾ p. 11. A.M. May 1. 1790.

Mr. Grenville has the honour of transmitting to Your Majesty the minute of a meeting of Your Majesty's confidential servants held last night, on the subject of the transactions at Nootka Sound.

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Mr. Grenville begs leave humbly to express to Your Majesty his hopes that the measures submitted to Your Majesty on this occasion will meet with Your Majesty's approbation, and that they may produce their effect without the necessity of Your Majesty's having recourse to those extremities which might otherwise become unavoidable.

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Whitehall April 30th 1790.

Present

The Lord Chancellor

The Lord Privy Seal

Duke of Richmond

Duke of Leeds

Earl of Chatham

Mr. Pitt

Mr. Grenville.

Upon consideration of the information which has been received from Mr. Meares of the detention and capture of several British Vessels

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Vessels at Nootka Sound on the coast of America and of the circumstances of that transaction, as also of the papers which have been delivered by Mr. Del Campo relative thereto,

Your Majesty's Servants have agreed humbly to submit to Your Majesty their opinion that Your Majesty's Minister at the Court of Madrid should be instructed to present a memorial demanding an immediate and adequate satisfaction for the outrages committed by M. de Martinez;

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And that it would be proper, in order to support that demand, and to be prepared for such events as may arise, that Your Majesty should give Orders for fitting out a Squadron of Ships of the Line.

H. M. to H. H. Grenville

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Windsor May 1st 1790
Cm ½ P. 8.

The conduct of the Court of Spain makes the measure proposed necessary though far from desirable. I owe till the answer from Spain arrives I shall feel most anxious as I am not sanguine that the conduct of that Court may be such as we must naturally desire.

By the Messenger that will bring the letters arrived this day by the Dutch Mail I ~~[illegible]~~ to hear a ~~[illegible]~~ from Mr. Grenville whether a force will be necessary for equipping the Squadron proposed and whether the Privy Council for that purpose is recommended for Monday.

Wm. Pitt

May 4 1790

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to submit to Your Majesty a Draft of the proposed Message to Parliament, which has undergone the Consideration of Your Majesty's Confidential Servants, and which He trusts will appear to Your Majesty to be adapted to the Circumstances of the Occasion

Downing Street. May 4th 1790. 11 P.M.

Mr. Pitt.
Bray 4. 1790

Lord Howe
8th May 1790

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Lord Howe, most naturally anxious to stand justified at all times in your Majestys opinion, most humbly solicits that your Majesty will condescend to postpone your final sentiments in respect of the answer, which, in his particular circumstances, he deemed indispensably necessary to make to Lord Chathams proposition for him to be honored with the command

of your Majesty's Fleet. Until he may be permitted to explain the motives of his conduct on that occasion, in an Audience he will presume to request of your Majesty's Goodness next Wednesday at St. James's.

Grafton Street
8th May 1790

Wm. Pitt

May 12 1790

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Mr Pitt humbly begs Leave to acquaint your Majesty that a Motion was made to day by Mr Grey, and seconded by Mr Lambton for an Address to your Majesty to direct the first Communication from the M. del Campo to be laid before the

House. The motion was opposed by Mr Hawkins Browne, Col. Phipps, Mr Rolle Mr Wilberforce, Lord Mulgrave, Sir Joseph Mawbey, and Mr Grosvenor, and supported by Mr Windham, Mr Fox, Mr Powys, and Mr Sawbridge, and on a division was negatived by 213 to 121. Another motion

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May 12 1790

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was then made for the Date of the first Intelligence of the Capture at Nootka, which produced scarcely any Debate, and was negatived by 203 to 119.

Downing Street

Wednesday May 12th. 1790 ½ pt 10 PM.

Mr Pitt.
Berg 14. 1796

H. H. Grenville

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Whitehall May 12. 1790.

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Mr. Grenville has the honour of transmitting to Your Majesty the drafts of letters to Lord Cornwallis, Major General Medows, and Major-General Abercrombie, which Mr. Grenville proposes to send over-land this day if Your Majesty

Mr. Grenville
May 12. 1796

Majesty should approve of them. Mr. Grenville also begs leave humbly to submit to Your Majesty drafts of Letters from Your Majesty to the Nizam, and to the Nabob of Arcot.

Wm. Pitt

May 17 1790

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Mr Pitt humbly submits to Your Majesty that as the Objection to Grants out of the four and an half per Cent Fund has prevented the Completion of your Majesty's Gracious Intention in favor of Dr Willis in the Mode originally suggested, there now appears no other Way of carrying them into Effect than by an Application to Parliament, and he has therefore taken the Liberty of preparing a Draft

of a Message to the two Houses, according to the usual Form on similar occasions, and has the honor of transmitting two Copies of it for Your Majesty's Royal Signature, if the Measure meets with Your Majesty's Approbation.

With respect to the Grant to Lord Auckland various Circumstances have occurred which seem to make it peculiarly desirable

Wm. Pitt

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to avoid any Application to Parliament on that Subject. At the same time, Mr Pitt is persuaded that Your Majesty will approve of the earliest Opportunity being taken to give an Equivalent, for what Your Majesty was graciously pleased to authorise Mr Pitt to assure Him of, when the Objection to it were not foreseen; And as a Reversion is just opened of the Tellership of the

Mr Pitt.
May 17. 1790

Exchequer by the Death of Lord Hardwicke

Mr Pitt humbly submits, that if Your Majesty would be graciously pleased to permit him to offer this Reversion to Lord Auckland for himself or one of his Sons, It would remove every Embarrassment on this Subject.

Downing Street.
Monday May 17th 1790. 25m P.M.

W. H. Grenville

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Whitehall May 17th 1790. ½ p. 1. Sh.

Mr. Grenville begs leave humbly to acquaint Your Majesty that he has received information of the death of Mr. Baron Stewart, one of the Barons of the Exchequer in Scotland, and as it

it is represented that it is of importance that this office should be immediately filled up. Mr. Grenville takes the liberty of troubling Your Majesty with this note, humbly to recommend Mr. Archibald Cockburn to succeed to the vacancy.

Mr. Grenville also presumes to ask whether Your Majesty would approve of granting an English Baronetage to Mr. Oakley who is going

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W. H. Grenville

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out as Governor to Madras, and will have the Honour of being presented to Your Majesty on Wednesday previous to his sailing. If this distinction is conferred upon Mr. Oakley Mr. Grenville begs leave to mention that it might also be proper that the same mark of Your Majesty's favour should be extended to Mr. Shore, who has served with so much credit as a supreme Councillor at Fort William

Fort William, and is come home with the strongest recommendations from Lord Cornwallis.

Rt Hon Grenville
Recd 14. 1790

W. W. Grenville

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Whitehall May 18. 1790.
½ p. 8. PM.

Mr. Grenville has the honour of humbly submitting to Your Majesty that he has received an application some time past from one of the Sheriffs of London, and one from the Inhabitants

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of St. Sepulchre's parish stating the great incon-
-venience and disorder which arise from the
execution of the sentences for burning Women who
are convicted of High Treason, such sentences being
now executed almost in the center of the Town.

A Bill is now pending in Parliament, for
altering this sentence into that of hanging in
all cases where sentence of burning is now
pronounced

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pronounced, and this bill has, as Mr. Grenville is informed, been approved by Lord Kenyon. There is a clause in it which empowers Your Majesty to change any sentence of this nature which shall have been pronounced before the passing of the bill, but not carried into execution.

At the last Recorder's report a Woman convicted for coining was left for execution

and

Mr Grenville
18th May 1790

and she is to suffer tomorrow, unless under these circumstances Your Majesty should think it proper that she should be respited for a short time in order that if the abovementioned bill should pass into a Law her sentence may be changed to that of hanging. Mr Grenville therefore humbly requests to be honoured with Your Majesty's Commands on this subject.

Mr. Sec. Grenville,
to
Whitehall — 25. May 1790.

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Whitehall May 25th 1790. ½ p. 4. PM.

Mr. Grenville has the honour of transmitting to Your Majesty some dispatches received this morning from Lord Dorchester; and as

and as from the tenour of those letters, and also from the accounts which have been received from India of the motions of Tippoo Sultan, it appears probable that in the event of a War with Spain great difficulties would be found in making any considerable detachment of troops in diminution of the present military force either in India, or in

Canada

Mr. Sec. Grenville,
to
Whitehall — 25. May 1790.

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Canada, Mr. Grenville humbly begs leave to submit to Your Majesty's consideration whether, in order in some degree to supply the want which will be felt of troops for offensive operations, Your Majesty would approve of sending a body of Your Majesty's Hanoverian troops in the same manner as was done in the last War, to augment

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the Garrison of Gibraltar. Mr Grenville begs leave to mention that if this idea should be approved of by Your Majesty he will take immediate steps for directing a sufficient number of transports to be sent to such place as Your Majesty shall fix for the embarkation, and at such time as Your Majesty may be pleased to point out.

Mr Grenville is not sufficiently apprized

apprized of the detail of the arrangements which have been made on former occasions, but he hopes that if Your Majesty should approve of the general idea that Your Majesty will have the goodness to direct such explanations as Your Majesty shall think proper, to be given respecting Your Majesty's intentions on the subject.

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If Your Majesty should think it practicable to afford this assistance, Mr. Grenville hopes he shall be excused for taking the liberty to add that the facility which would thereby be given to other operations would be greatly increased by the troops being ordered to hold themselves, as soon as possible, in readiness for embarkation.

Mr Pitt
28th May 1790

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Mr Pitt humbly begs leave to acquaint
Your Majesty that Mr Fox's Motion to Day
for the Date of the last Papers from Spain
was opposed by Mr T. Orde, Mr Montague
Mr Martin, Sir J. Johnstone, and Mr Drake,
and after a short Reply from Mr Fox
was negatived without a Division.

Downing Street May 28th 1790. ½ pt 6 PM.

Lord Howe,

Grafton Street 29th May 1790.

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Lord Howe, having heard of the Duke of Montagu's Decease, most humbly begs leave to express the happiness he should feel, if in your Majesty's gracious consideration,

he may not be deemed an unworthy Candidate for the honor of succeeding to the Government of Windsor Castle.

Grafton Street
29th May 1790

M. Gen. Hon. Harcourt. (afr. 3rd Earl)

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Portland Place
30th May 1790 –

Sir

I hope Your Majesty will not think I presume upon Your goodness and the numerous obligations you have already conferr'd upon me, if I venture to lay at Your Majesty's feet my humble wishes

that

M. Grell

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B. Grenard to Geo Grell
Nov 30. 1765

M. Gen. Hon. Harcourt. (aft. 3rd Earl)

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that I may be permitted to have the honor of succeeding Lord Cardigan in Your Majesty's Bed chamber, as Master of the Robes, and Privy Purse, which I conceive from his advancement in the Peerage will now be vacated.

Should it not please Your Majesty to grant my request, I hope you will be so gracious to have the goodness to pardon my presumption, and permit me, with the most extreme gratitude and respect, to

assure

By Gracious Command

Your Majesty, that while I live nothing can for a moment intercept, or diminish the warm attachment I feel to Your Majesty's person and Government

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Majesty's

most Dutiful and

most Devoted Servant

William Harcourt