

D. of Grafton
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The Duke of Grafton entreats humbly his Majesty's
Pardon, that he has deferred answering till this morning
the Commands his Majesty in so gracious a manner
had laid upon him; but returning home too late last
night, from supping out, was the Occasion of it.

The most condescending Goodness of his Majesty must
inevitably confirm Lord Chatham in the Design he has
expressed by Lady Chatham's Letter (which the Duke
of Grafton presumes to enclose) of putting the Privy
Seals into Commission. He can not avoid presuming
to congratulate his Majesty of this happy Issue from
a Business so intricate, that the Duke of Grafton
deprived of a fortunate turn, & only saw the many
a great & Consequences likely to follow, & materially to
affect his Majesty's Administration.

[Faint, illegible handwriting on lined paper, possibly a letter or document.]