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Lord North has the honour of transmitting to his Majesty the Warrant for the Establishment of their Royal Highnesses Prince William & Prince <sup>Edward</sup> Frederick. The Day, at which the Establishment is to commence, & the person, to whom his Majesty would have the money paid, are left in blank, & Lord North instructs to receive <sup>the Honour of</sup> his Majesty's commands on those heads. Lord North is encouraged, by his Majesty's goodness, in permitting him to go for a few weeks into Oxfordshire & Somersetshire, to hope that he will forgive his sending the Warrant to them, instead of waiting upon his Majesty with it at St James's. He has already sent his family into Oxfordshire, & was himself just stepping into the Post Chaise when he received the Warrant. He begs leave to accompany

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it by three other warrants which require dispatch.  
 The first is an allowance for Mr Larpent who has  
 been obliged to quit the Secretary's office from great  
 age & infirmity. He is not likely to live many months.  
 Lord North heard of his case yesterday for the first  
 time, from the Secretary of State's office, where they are  
 in a great hurry to have it done. The second is a  
 reimbursement of a sum due to Mr Pownall, &  
 the third is a warrant for £2000 secret service  
 money, which is much wanted at present, as Mr  
 Calcraft did yesterday, & Mr Haken set out at  
 night to offer himself a candidate to succeed him at  
 Rochester. He stands on the interest of Government,  
 but, if he meets with opposition, will, I am afraid, want  
 pecuniary support. If it were not for the warrant  
 for the establishment of their Royal Highnesses, & this  
 for secret service which can hardly be delayed even  
 till Wednesday next, Lord North would not have

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