

The Earl of Westmorland

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In obedience to your Royal Highness
commands I have to state.

I was of opinion that upon your
Royal Highness's reference, a proposition
ought to be made to Mr Canning.

That a sense of Duty to the King, to
your Royal Highness & to the Country
required us to make every effort to
obtain the aid of Mr Canning's

Talents in support of the Administration.
I concurred in the minute delivered
to your Royal Highness on the ground
that the Sentiments expressed by
several Members of the Cabinet in

discussing the proposition for a Negotiation
as well as the little disposition to
facilitate overture which seemed to
be manifested on the part of Mr
Canning afforded little expectation
of a beneficial result therefrom.

Wentworthland

C.P.S.

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