

Duke of Northumberland

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Private

As I am convinced that your Highness's dear Colonel, must now be well occupied, I merely trouble you, to acknowledge the safe receipt of your letter of the 8<sup>th</sup>, with its accompanying paper, and to say, that as the Prince Regent has named Lord Liverpool to be the Irish Commissioner of the Treasury, I take it for granted the Return to office of the British Administration will be followed by an immediate Dissolution of Parliament. This measure will of course become necessary, to prevent the usual motions, which will otherwise be made in the House of Commons by G<sup>o</sup>. W. Perceval - G<sup>o</sup>. Tierney, & their Adherents; espous'd, & encouraged, by the two Great Lords, and their Party. Should such a measure be intended, I shall feel myself most particularly obliged to you, if you will let me know it, as soon as you can do so consistent with the Duties of your Situation.

May you will offer my Duty to H: R: H: and ever regulate Him, on what I look upon as a Victory; which if properly followed up, with perseverance, and firmness, will relieve H: R: H: from a great deal of future Embarrassment. As His Insulters are desperate, they will for a short time be more violent, but the rest will mind that, & all will become right again, & they as humble, & submissive, as they are just now haughty & arrogant. Adieu - Accept the kind Wishes of us all, & offer the same for us to G<sup>o</sup>. Macartney.

The Right Honourable

Colonel M. Deane

Your's ever most sincerely

Northumberland.

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