

H. H. to Lord North

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<sup>on</sup> <sup>10</sup> p. 9. A. H.

It is impossible more highly to approve than I do of the proposition of attacking Goree, the whole success must depend on the strictest secrecy, ~~which will be~~ <sup>therefore</sup> ~~no~~ <sup>imagination</sup> no addition being made as yet to the number of those entrusted with the ideas; so weakly are we provided with troops that the only difficulty that occurs is how to furnish the additional soldiers; but I trust with a little consideration I shall be able to chalk out a means of effecting what I look on as so essential a service. It will be necessary I again repeat it that no more be added to the present informed of this secret until it is necessary to order the ships to sail except Lord Amherst to whom I would only mention the different modes that may occur as to one of furnishing the soldiers least destructive to the small means we have to draw from.

I cannot conclude without expressing my thorough satisfaction at the manner in which I have been received by all ranks of people on my late tour. I know from your attachment that this will give you pleasure

*[Faint, illegible handwritten text in cursive script, possibly a letter or document fragment.]*

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