

H. H. Lord North

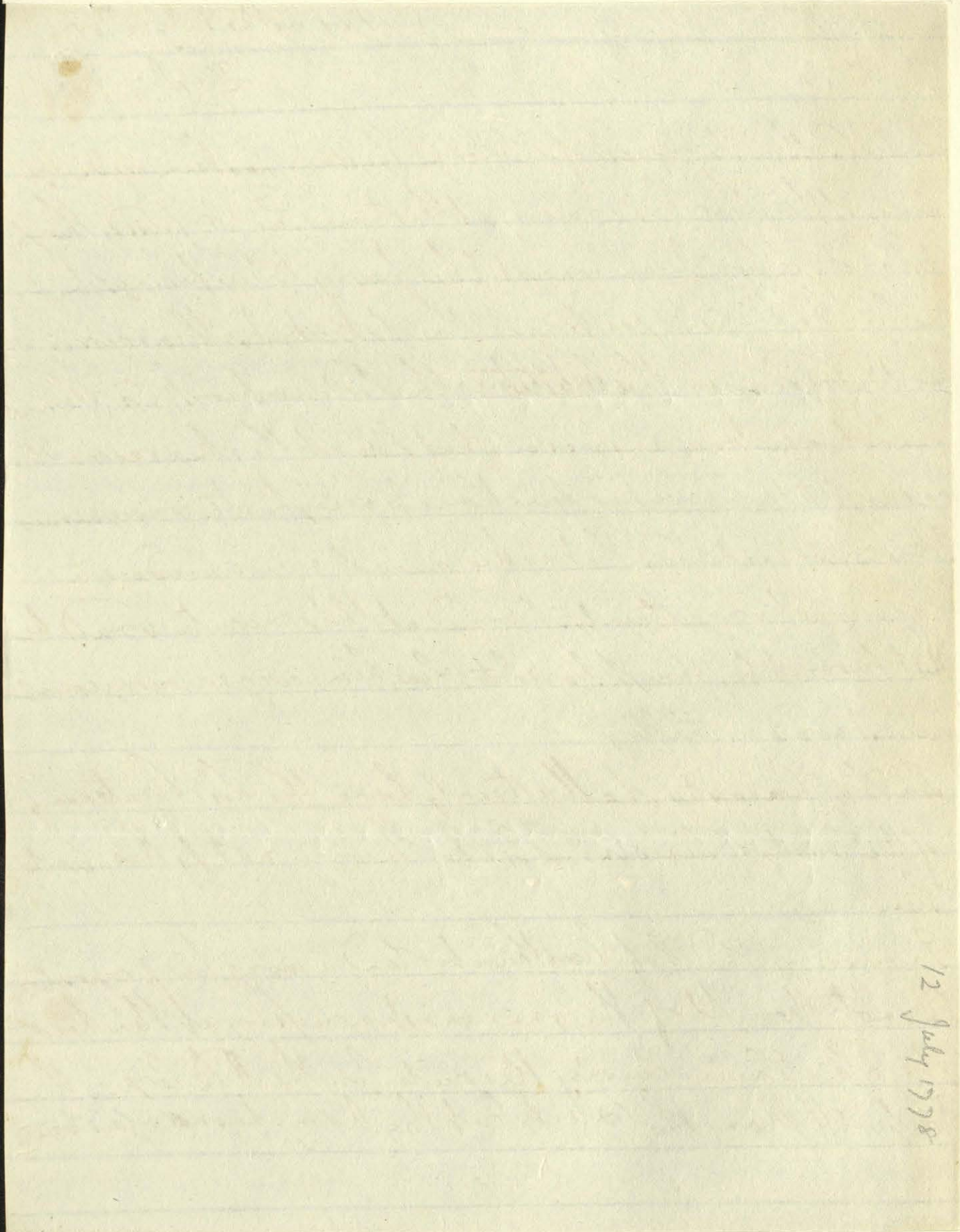
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Lord North, The request of Sir Thomas Egerton has been made by many of the other Corps raising at this time, and refused, therefore I do not see how I can consent to his having three pairings, but as Lord North is so pressing on the subject, I will converse on Wednesday on this matter with Lord Amherst; Sir Thomas cannot expect an answer on what I do not think a reasonable request till I have had due time to weigh its consequences. I know his zeal and that makes me not give an immediate answer which certainly if formed at this minute would be not favourable, though I wish to show him every encouragement I must avoid partiality

The D. of Newcastle shall certainly have the Lieutenancy of the County of Lincoln, Lord North may notify this unto him.

I am sorry the D. of Northumberland among his propositions has not thought of the one most necessary at this hour the assisting in raising Recruits for the 2<sup>d</sup> Corps, the D. will show the Army but the Army has no assistance



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