

Duke of Portland to B. R. H.

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The Duke of Portland has the honor to inform His Royal Highness that he has this moment received His Majesty's answer, in which His Majesty expresses his regret & displeasure at the mode of making the Provision for His Royal Highness, & at the idea of making upon Himself to discharge His Royal Highness's debt. I declare that unless the Proposition first offered to His Majesty is adopted by His servants & all expenses borne on His Royal Highness, His Majesty shall think it necessary to acquaint the Publick with His Opinion of the whole Transaction.

Downing Street

Monday 16 May 1783

Wm. Pitt Esq. Secy. of State

