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Mr. Burke

Notes to Mr. Pitt

Sketch of Notes to Pitt

[The Princes] being held forth as

+ (For the Term during which he would undertake it, during the incapacity of his father)

The Pr. Learns from general & uncontradicted Report, that Mr. Pitt intends to make certain propositions in the House of Commons relative to the office of Regent, or to some office of a similar description, which, during the present melancholy State of the King, or some other Term, is to be held by the Prince, with various limitations & restrictions in the exercise of the Functions of Government.

The Prince delivers no opinion on the merits of his projects Mr. Pitt. But lest Mr. Pitt should be led to produce such a Scheme, upon a supposition, that the Prince is willing to lend himself to it, or lest ~~such~~ such a proposition, coming from a Minister of State, might be supported by others, a presumption of the Princes acquiescence in it, The Prince gives Notice to Mr. Pitt, that he does not acquiesce, in ~~his~~ ^{any} ~~part~~ ^{projected} ~~of the~~ ^{Government} ~~proposed~~ ^{to be} ~~proposed~~ ^{to be} in the manner & on the Terms as herein described. Mr. Pitt is ^{given to understand} ~~informed~~, that the Prince is ~~firmly~~ ^{firmly} resolved, never to undertake the office of Regent or other similar office, ~~under~~ ^{under} any other limitations, than those ~~which were~~

wise & salutary
limitations & restrictions, which for
the preservation of the laws, rights,
& liberties of the subject, the
constitution of this country has
imposed upon the Crown: & that
he never will accept the trust
of preserving the Kings power
without having the means of
restoring it to him in as good
a condition as he found it.