

Lord North

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Lord North is sensible that it must appear very improper for him to trouble his Majesty on any occasion, & nothing but his experience of his Majesty's goodness, his long friendship for the writer of the inclosed note, added to the knowledge he has of her merit & her distress, would have prevail'd upon him to communicate the inclosure to his Majesty, & to submit it to his gracious consideration. His Majesty will perceive that there was no intention in the writer that Lord North should

communicate the Note itself, but Lord
North thought that Writter could best
state her own condition & wishes. & has,
therefore, sent the Note exactly as he
received it. To the best of Lord North's recollection,
the signature at the end of the Note
is true. Mr James Pelham was Secretary for
many years under different Chamberlains
& Mr Robt. Wilton acted in that capacity
under the D: of Devonshire, the D: of Marl-
borough, the D: of Rutland, Lord Goures
Lord Hertford. Both one & the other
continued in their office till they died.
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Mr Keene must lose his office at the
Board of Works. Lord North does not
believe that he would otherwise be
so unengaged & impertinent. The loss of both
places will go very deep in their means
of subsistence.

Bushy Park
Monday: April 1. 1782.

[Faint, illegible handwritten text on aged paper, possibly a letter or document fragment.]

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