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The immense Load of business, that has con-
-stantly hung upon Mr Robinson, & the many in-
-terruptions he has constantly met with, have
prevented him from keeping up Ld North's
private accounts with His Majesty so close as
could have been wished; Ld North has been
earnest with him to settle the accounts, & Mr
Robinson has been as obligent as possible
whenever it was in his power to work at them.
They are, however, not yet compleatly settled, but
will be, Ld North hopes, in a few days. These
accounts are divided into two parts. The Elec-
-tion account, & the Quarterly account. The
Election account is newly adjusted, & Ld North
has the honour of inclosing a general state of

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It: In the two years it has arisen to a great sum
owing principally to the great contested Elections
in Surrey, at Westminster, & at Bristol at
which last place there have been two con-
-tests; some say seats were to be had without
money, & all the contributions that were expected
were not received. His Majesty will, however,
perceive that upwards of Thirty Thousand
Pounds has been brought to account in aid
of the Election Expenses. There is still to be re-
-ceived £1000 from Mr Bate, & there is to be
set on the other side of the account some
expenses still unpaid for Surrey, & some for the
last Election at Colchester. Mr Rigby spent £2000
at the latter place, & wishes to be assisted with
half his expence, but Lord North imagines that

upon the two heads of Colchester & Surrey it will
not be necessary to advance above £3000. as
to the Liverpool expences Lord North will
endeavour to avoid paying any part of that
demand, though Mr Gascoigne has certainly
been a considerable sufferer in that contest.

His Majesty will perceive that when he
shall have paid the £13,000 mention'd at the
bottom of that account. There will still be
due to Messrs Drummond about 22,000, which
may be rub'd off, by degrees, by the £1000 a month
out of the Privy Purse. Mr Robinson hopes that
this account will be fully & compleatly made
out for his Majesty on Sunday next, & the
Inactivity accounts very soon after. It is not
imagined that there will be any ^{considerable} balance
against his Majesty on these accounts. Mr