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Queen's House Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> 1753-31<sup>st</sup> 10<sup>o</sup> 2<sup>o</sup> M.

The Names of the Officers promoted by Lt. Keppel are in general I should hope for their merit for undoubtedly I never heard scarce the name of two of them, therefore their families cannot have been their recommendations. Most of the Arguments in the Paper Lt. Keppel has communicated to Me by way of Answer to the last Opinion of Lt. Keppel against the necessity of Peace are very forcible. I am sorry to see there has been so much business in the Alley yesterday. I trust tomorrow Night or Tuesday Morning will enable us to know that Peace is concluded.

*[Faint, illegible handwriting in cursive script, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

*E. of Shelburne  
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my and Mrs. Luen's House Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> 1783  
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