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St James. 24. Jan. 1703.
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Lord Grantham notified to the House of
Lords, that the Preliminaries of Peace,
with France & with Spain, were signed, &
that he did not doubt receiving your Majesty's
Commands early in next week to lay them
before that House.

In conversation with the Marquis of
Carmarthen, Lord Grantham having observed
His Lordship's Desire of offering his service
to your Majesty, as Ambassador to France
whenever it shall be judged expedient to
name one, presumes to lay this Circumstance
before your Majesty, hoping that if it
meets with your royal Approbation,
he may be permitted to acquaint the

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Marquis of Carmarthen, with Your
Majesty's gracious Approbation of his
Readiness to serve Your Majesty in that
important & honourable Commission.

Lord Grantham is further to acquaint
Y^r Majesty that Lord Mountstuart in
a manner the most dutiful to your
Majesty, expressed his Desire on this
Occasion to serve your Majesty in either
of the Embassies, to the Courts of France or Spain.
Lord Grantham in consequence of the Conversa-
tion above mentioned, & of Lord Carmar-
then's name having been mentioned to your
Majesty this Day at St James's, took
upon himself to say, that he considered
the Embassy to Paris, as already determined

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to another Person of high Distinction. —
Ld. Mountstuart, then desired Lord Grantham
to lay him at your Majesty's feet, & to
request for him the Embassy to Spain: —
Upon the Receipt of your Majesty's
Pleasure upon this Subject, Ld. Grantham
will convey it to Lord Mountstuart
where Appointment if your Majesty's
approves it, cannot but be very flattering
to the Court of Spain.

Windsor Jan^y 25th 1743. 10^o 10 P.M.

Ld. Grantham seems to have judg'd very properly is not fixing the particular
day for laying the Preliminaries of Peace with France and with Spain before
Parliament, but confining himself yesterday in the House of Lords but declaring it would be
early in the next Week.

Ld. Grantham may acquaint both the Ld. Carmarthen and Ld. Dowry that this offer of
going Ambassadors to the Courts of France and Spain are willingly accepted by Mr. Schomberg
think this right moment for Ld. Grantham to settle with Ld. Shelburne the provision that
is to be made for Sir J. Harris, and that when the Messengers carries him a copy of the
Preliminaries he may know he has leave to prepare for returning home, and that Mr.
Fooler Carew is to succeed him.

del. Graham
L. J. Jones's Son. Jan. 24. 1783. N. H. 20
my name's W. Jones's Son. Jan. 25. 1783. N. H. 20.