

[Original with Duke of Cumberland's papers]

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Copy of a Letter to His Royal Highness the Duke of
Cumberland, from Lord Rochford, dated Berkeley Square
the 20th. May 1773 at night

I was ordered by The King to wait on
Your Royal Highness to morrow to deliver a Message from
His Majesty, but finding Your Royal Highness is at Windsor,
I am under the necessity of giving Your Royal Highness
this trouble to acquaint You, by The King's Order, that
His R. H. the Duke of Gloucester having requested of His
Majesty to have his Marriage authenticated, as the
Dutchess of Gloucester is near her Delivery, His Majesty
in Council will give Orders, in consequence of that
Application, that the Arch. Bishop of Canterbury, the
Lord Chanceller, and the Bishop of London do forthwith
enquire

enquire into the Legality of the said Marriage, and
certify their Opinion, together with the Proofs, to His
Majesty in Council, in order that the same may be recorded
in the Books of the Council Office. His Majesty will
at the same time direct similar Steps to be immediately
taken with regard to authenticating the Marriage
of Your Royall Highness. —

Copy of a Letter to His
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Trockford dated Berkeley
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