

D. of Portland  
Downing Street Nov. 4. 1783. 4. H. P.M.  
my answer Windsor Nov. 4. 1783. 30. 7. P.M.

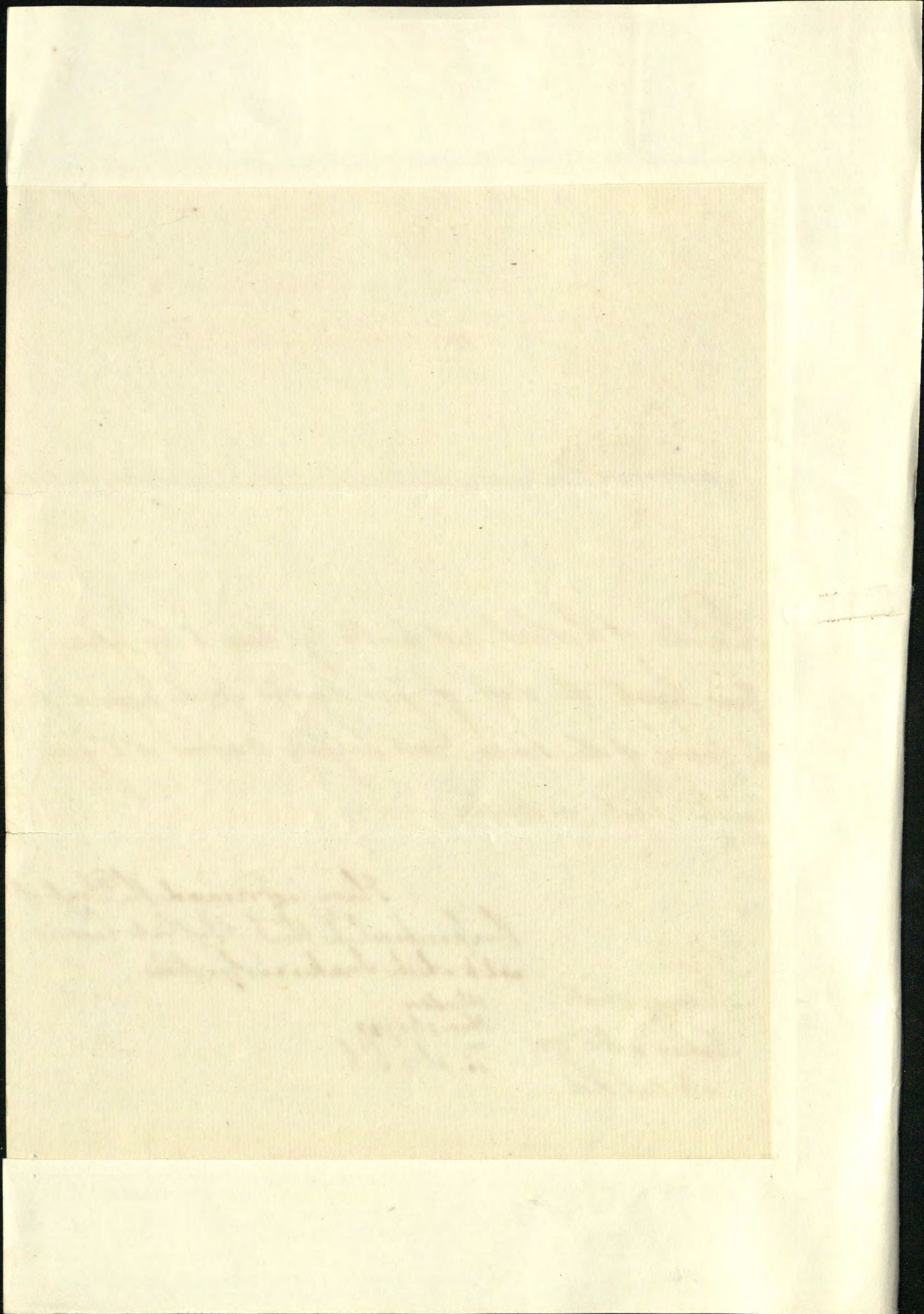
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The Duke of Portland most humbly begs leave to lay before  
Your Majesty the draft of Your Majesty's speech proposed for  
the opening of the Session. & most dutifully to submit it to Your  
Majesty's Royal Consideration.

I have just received the Draft of  
the speech which the D. of Portland has sent,  
and to which I make no objection.

Downing Street  
Thursday 4 Nov. 1783  
4. o'clock. P.M.

Windsor  
Nov. 4 1783  
30. 7. P.M.



ld. North  
or note of H. H.'s reply

Nov. 5 1783

5649

Lord North has the honour  
of transmitting to Your Majesty Copies  
of the Licenses granted to Lord Dillon  
to continue in the French, & to Mr.  
Fitzgerald to enter into the Spanish  
Service. He has accompanied them  
with a License for Mr James Tyre  
drawn upon the Model of the others,  
& containing, as well as the others,  
a restriction with respect to the enemies  
of Great Britain.

Lord North had the honour

of applying to your Majesty a few  
years ago in behalf of this Mr  
James Lyne, in order to obtain your  
Majesty's Royal License for him to  
serve in the Imperial Army, but that  
project, by some means or other, appears  
to have failed. Lord North had the  
honour of mentioning on the former  
occasion that he was acquainted  
with Mr & Mrs Mary Lyne, the Parents  
of Mr James Lyne, & knew them to be  
very clever & respectable.

Lord North has the honour of  
inclosing a letter which the Duke

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Ld. North  
& note of H. H.'s reply

Nov. 5 1783

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of Portland has received from Mr  
Justice Heath, & which seems substan-  
tially to amount to a Report in  
favour of a young Irishman who  
was condemn'd at Exeter for forging  
a Frank.

Whitehall Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>

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31 1784

Signed the licence and pardon'd the Convict on Condition  
of his transporting himself for life out of the Kingdom  
for life out

L. North  
W. Mitchell Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> 1783. 35. p. 4. 8

Duke of Portland  
& A. H's reply

Nov. 9 1783

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The Duke of Portland most humbly begs leave to acquaint Your Majesty that exception having been taken by all the Gentlemen who met this evening at Mr Fox's, to that sentence of the Speech which states, that, "Alarmingly Outrages in defiance of all Law have been committed," as not being distinctly enough pointed to the practice of Smuggling, as being liable to misconstruction, & possibly applicable to the supposed State of Ireland, it has been thought advisable to make the alteration inserted in the margin of the Speech, herewith transmitted to Your Majesty, wherein the words proposed to be left out are underlined. which is most Dutifully submitted to Your Majesty's Consideration

Downing Street  
Sunday night 9 Nov: 1783

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Duke of Portland  
& A. H's reply

Nov. 9 1783

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The objection to the sentence in the speech seems very natural, as the amendment certainly rectifies it, perhaps if something more shall be clearly specified it would not be improper.

Windsor Nov. 10. 1783.

<sup>on</sup>  
35 p. 7. A.M.

*L. of Scotland  
Downing Street, London, W. 1  
14th 1788  
My answer to your letter of the 10th 1788. 57th 1788*

Ed: Hertford

Nov. 9 1783

5651

Sir

I returned to town last night after a long indulgence which your Majesty has been pleased to give me, & should have taken the first moment of making my acknowledgments in person if your Majesty's residence had made it proper.

In these circumstances your Majesty will permit me to lay before you by this means, (as I may have no other opportunity before the occasion occurs,) some extracts which Lord Southampton has just put into my hands respecting the Piece of Water's introduction into the house of <sup>peers,</sup> furnished him by Mr. Skott

in pursuance of your Majesty's commands, is

By the ceremonial prescribed  
therein I perceive that his Royal  
Highness is to be seated previously  
to your Majesty's going to the house  
that your Lord Chamberlain is  
one of the great officers installed  
in the ceremony. It will therefore

require your Majesty's commands  
for my conduct, as I shall by my  
attendance on this service necessarily  
rely that upon your Majesty's  
direction at St. James's.

I shall likewise be very happy  
to leave from your Majesty's judgment  
as it is not specified in the entry  
to wear the crown which the Prince  
of Wales is to have laid before him

Ed: Hertford

Nov. 9 1783

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is to be believed; I presume to  
some office of his own household  
but am fearful of giving any  
opinion which is not dictated  
by your Majesty. I have the  
honour to be with all possible  
duty & respect Sir

your Majesty's  
most faithful &  
most obedient humble servant  
Hertford

London  
Nov. 9, 1783

King of Scotland  
9<sup>th</sup> Nov 1783

Duke of Portland  
& H. M.'s reply

Nov. 10 1783

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The Duke of Portland most dutifully offers to Your Majesty a copy of the speech  
altered in the manner by which Your Majesty is pleased to think the  
objection suggested at Mr Fox's will be rectified, & begs leave to assure Your  
Majesty that he has not been wanting in his endeavours to specify more  
clearly that the Outrages had been committed in the Practice of Smuggling, but  
has not been fortunate enough to devise any form of words, with which he is  
sufficiently satisfied, to submit it to Your Majesty's consideration, & therefore humbly  
presumes to rest upon the Opinion Your Majesty has graciously condescended  
to express of the proposed amendment to the Paragraph as it will now stand - The  
Duke of Portland most humbly presents to Your Majesty a copy of the intended  
Bill of the House of Lords to Your Majesty & of the message to the Queen, the  
sense of which the Earl of Scarborough has undertaken to move for, & will be  
seconded by Lord Campbell, & the latter will be moved by the Earl of Ferris.

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& H. D.

The Duke of Portland has been with all civility to request from Majesty that  
by a private letter from Ireland of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inst. which he has just received, he is  
informed, that Mr Flood intended on that day to go at large into the State of  
that Nation, & that it was understood that he intended to attack the Military  
Establishment in point of Economy. that Government was fully prepared to meet  
it in all respects.

Downing Street  
Monday 10 Nov. 1783  
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Duke of Portland  
& H. M. S. reply

Nov. 10 1783

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I have received a copy of the Speech as corrected at the Meeting last night, as also of the proposed Address of the House of Lords and Message from that House to the Queen.

I am not sufficiently master of the subject of the Post Office regulation proposed from Ireland to give a decided opinion; though it appears as if from thence as usual some unfair advantage is sought for.

Windsor

Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 1783.

23. pt. 6. P. h.

*[Faint, illegible handwriting on a folded piece of paper]*

*Dr. J. H. Stoddard  
Young Street, New York, N.Y. 10011  
August 10, 1988  
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Duke of Portland  
or H. K.'s reply

Nov. 10 1783

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The Duke of Portland conceiving it his Duty to submit to your Majesty any  
alterations which may have been thought necessary in the Address of the House  
of Lords as well as in the Speech, most humbly requests your Majesty's permission  
to lay before your Majesty another Copy of the Address which has undergone  
a very material correction which will appear by a line drawn under the words  
newly inserted, the propriety of which was suggested by an apprehension of misappre-  
hension by the Courts of France & Spain at the manner in which that Paragraph  
was originally worded. —

Downing Street  
Monday night  
10 Nov. 1783

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Duke of Portland  
o.H.H.'s reply

Nov. 10 1783

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I have received this Morning a copy of the intended Address  
of the <sup>94</sup>House of Lords with the proposed omission in the  
Paragraph that relates to the Definitive Treaties and the  
Preliminary Articles.

Windsor

Nov. 11. 1783.

<sup>on</sup>  
30 p. l. h.

*D. of Scotland  
Downing Street Nov. 10 1783.  
My answer Windsor Nov. 11 1783. 30. 4. 1783*

Duke of Portland  
& H. M.'s reply

Nov 11 1783

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The Duke of Portland most humbly beseeches to acquaint Your Majesty, that excepting a short speech from Mr Temple, concerning the alleged mysteriousness of the Speech, & stating the Topics on which it ought to have been more explicitly debated, no Opposition or Objection was made to or upon the Address to which as Mr Temple had not objected to the purport of <sup>it</sup> paper, Memoirs Dependent.

As Lord North informed the Duke of Portland that he had not received any despatches from Ireland, he presumes with all humbleness to inform Your Majesty that by a private letter from Home written at the rising of the

The House of Commons on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> at midnight, Mr. Fox's motion  
for a reduction of the Military Establishment had been rejected by  
a Majority of 138 to 54.

Downing Street

Tuesday 11. Nov. 1783

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Duke of Portland  
& H. M.'s reply

Nov 11 1783

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I have this instant received the Duke of Portland's intimation of the  
Address having been Assented to without any dissent; as also that  
Mr. Flood's motion for a reduction of the Military Establishment had been  
rejected by a Majority of 138. to 54.

Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 1783.

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12 p. 6 P.M.

*D. of Scotland  
Dorming Street Nov. 11. 1783. 12. p. 1. 5.  
My answer Queen's House. Nov. 11. 1783.  
12. p. 1. 6. 20.*

Duke of Portland  
rd. H's reply

Nov. 12 1783

5655

The Duke of Portland begs leave with all humility to submit to Your  
Majesty the draft of an answer to the Address of the House of Lords.

Downing Street  
Wednesday 12 Nov: 1783  
11 o'clock A. M.

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Duke of Portland  
rd. His reply

Nov. 12 1783

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I do not mean to object to the Answer to the Address, therefore  
desire the Duke of Portland will order the fair copy to be prepared  
the House of Lords as usual appointed at two this Day.  
Dear Sir  
Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> 1783.

<sup>on</sup>  
35 p. 1.

*2. of Portland*  
*Downing Street Nov. 12. 1783. 11. 4. 1/2*  
*My answer to your letter Nov. 12. 1783. 85. 1/2*

Lord Dartmouth

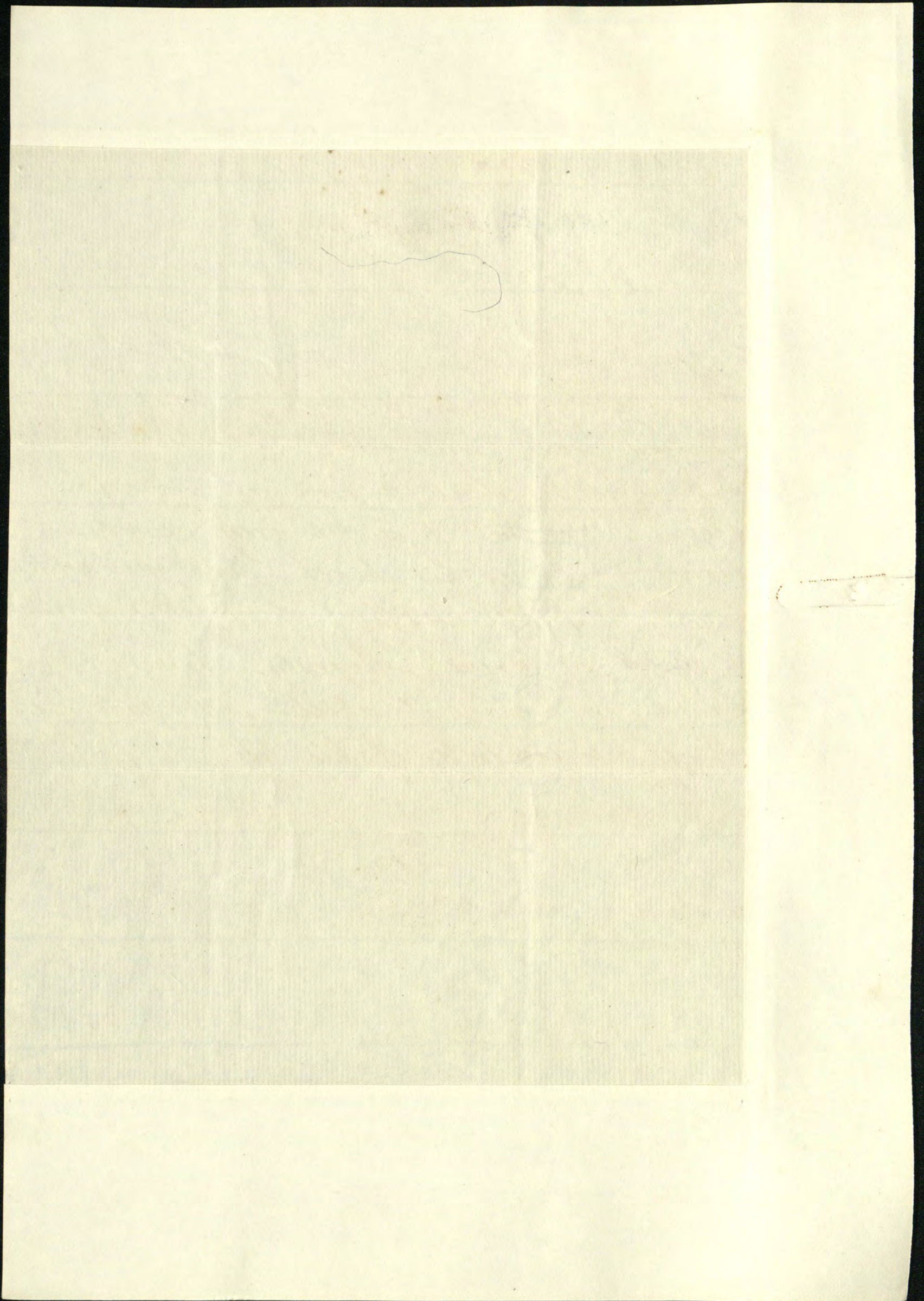
14<sup>th</sup> Nov 1783

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Lord Dartmouth, must not presume  
to express the sense he entertains of y<sup>r</sup>  
Majesty's goodness, otherwise than by  
ascribing your Majesty that the Bush  
will ever be dear to him on many  
accounts, & that it is the very sincere &  
earnest wish of his heart that he could  
make himself worthy of so distinguished  
a mark of your Majesty's favor, &  
regard, the sense of which will ever be  
one of the comforts of his life.

St James's Square

14 Nov 1783





E. Temple  
Pall Mall Nov<sup>r</sup>. 15<sup>th</sup>. 1783.

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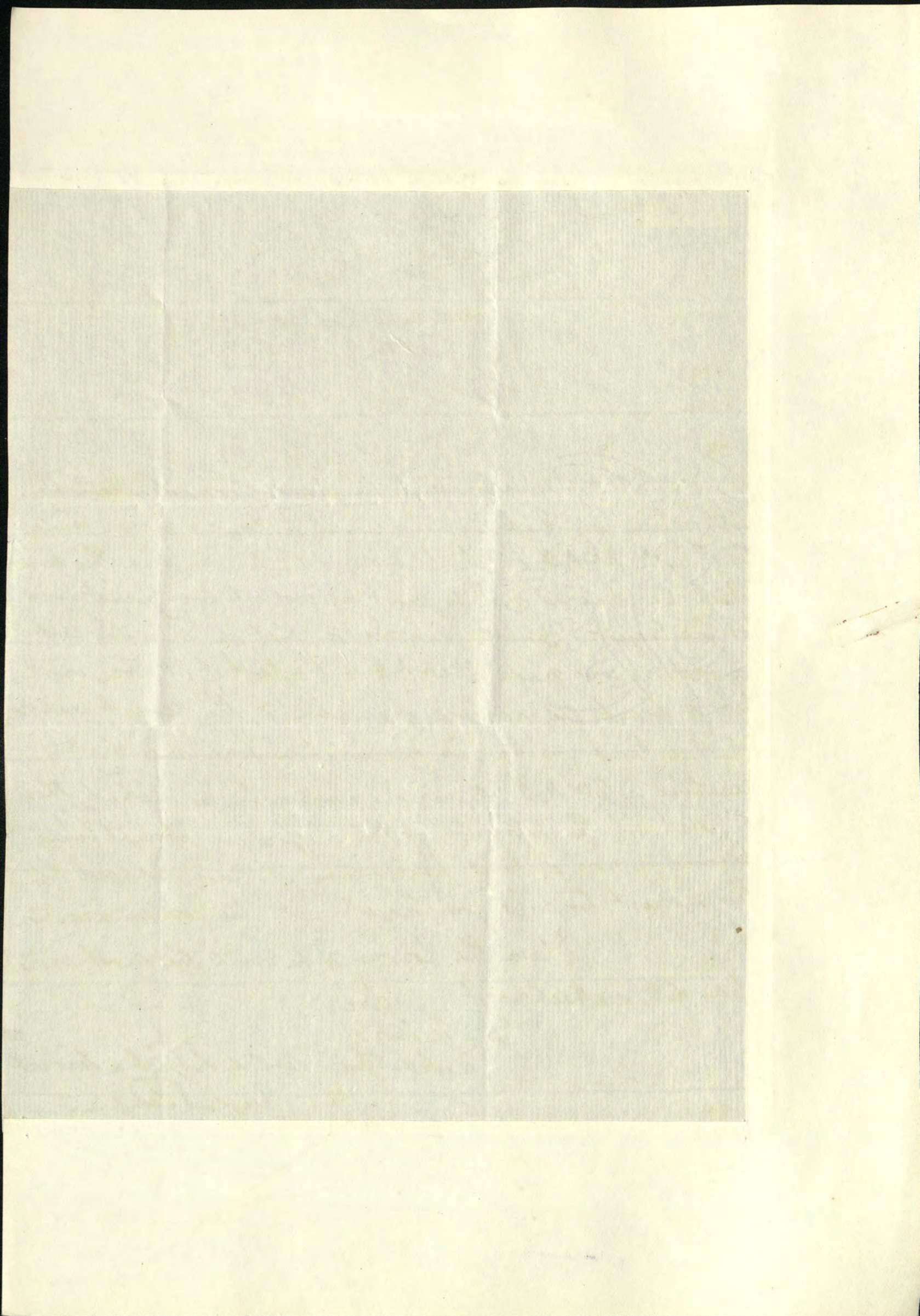
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In consequence of the gracious communications with which your Majesty was pleased to honour me on Friday the 7<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>o</sup>, Mr Pitt & I think it our duty to submit in this mode which we imagine may be most agreeable to your Majesty, and for your Majesty's private information, that on Thursday last an opening was made to Mr Pitt on the part of Mr Fox, inviting him to discuss the measure of acceding to the present coalition, which without waiting for explanation was immediately rejected by Mr Pitt. As various circumstances seemed then to point out the possibility of this ineffectual attempt being followed by more distinct propositions, we have delayed till this moment troubling your Majesty with the communication of it.

I have the honour to be, with the most inviolable duty & attachment,

Sire,

Your Majesty's  
Most dutiful & devoted Subject & Servant,  
Eugene Temple.



Ld. North  
or H. H.'s reply

Nov. 16 1783

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Lord Sydney having thought it right  
last year to forbid the Directors of the  
E. India Company transmitting to India  
the resolutions of the Court of Proprietors  
respecting Mr Hastings, & having, upon  
laying the matter before the House of  
Commons, met with their approbation,  
Lord North, as that business continues  
in the same state, has thought it his  
duty to prevent in the same manner  
the transmission of the Resolutions

of the Court of Proprietors of the 7<sup>th</sup>  
of this month, & has the honour of sending  
to his Majesty the letter he has directed  
on this occasion accompanied by the  
Draft of the Directors Orders, &  
by Lord Sydney's letter.

Nov<sup>r</sup>. 16. 1783.  
40<sup>th</sup> past Three PM

Lord North has the honour of trans-  
-mitting to his Majesty a letter he has  
just received from Sir Francis Bucker

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Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>

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Ld. North  
or H. M.'s reply

Nov. 16 1783

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7<sup>th</sup> containing a request to ride through  
the Park.

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Lord Sydney's having prevented the Directors of the East India  
Company the last year transmitting to India the Resolutions of the  
Court of Proprietors respecting M<sup>r</sup>. Hastings and the business being in  
the same situation now, Lord has the same warrant in giving a  
similar prohibition.

M<sup>r</sup>. Justice Walker may have liberty to ride through the Park.

Windsor

Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1783.

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Ed. North  
Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1783  
my answer Windsor Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1783.  
on  
27. 1783

A. H. to the North      Dup. of last.

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Lord Sydney's having prevented the Directors of the East India Company the last Year transmitting to India the Resolutions of the Court of Proprietors respecting Mr. Hastings, and the ~~Business~~ being in the investigation now, and for the same warranted in giving the similar prohibition  
Mr. Justice Buller may have liberty to ride through the Park

Windsor  
Nov. 16. 1783.  
m. J. P. H.  
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16 Nov 1783



Duke of Portland  
& H. H.'s reply

Nov. 16 1783

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The Duke of Portland most humbly begs leave to acquaint your Majesty that  
Mr & Mrs Mansfield are most anxious to acknowledge the sentiments of Duty &  
Gratitude in which they are bound by your Majesty's most gracious favor, & to show  
the most implicit Obedience to the Commands your Majesty was pleased to direct  
the Duke of Portland to convey to them respecting their suspension to the Office of your  
Majesty's Attorney Solicitor General. & Mr Mansfield having intimated to the Duke  
of Portland that many difficulties might probably be prevented by his being enabled  
to proceed speedily to his residence, the Duke of Portland ventures to hope that your

Deputy  
& A. H.

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Her Majesty will not disapprove the intention of moving tomorrow for new Writs for  
the Borough of Colchester & for the University of Cambridge.

Downing Street  
Sunday night  
16 Nov: 1783

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Duke of Portland  
& H. H.'s reply

Nov. 16 1783

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*What for*  
The Duke of Portland has done very properly in directing new Writs to  
be moved this day for the University of Cambridge and the Borough of  
Clitheroe on the Successions in the Law Departments occasioned by the  
death of the late worthy Attorney General

Windsor

Nov. 17. 1783.

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50. p. 18. h. h.

*D. of Northampton*  
*Downing Street Nov. 16. 1783.*  
*My answer Mr. Anderson Nov. 17. 1783.*

Ld. North

Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> 1783.

my answer in the House Nov. 20. 1783  
on 37. p. 5. P. M.

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Lord North has the honour of transmitting to his Majesty a Letter he has just received from Mr Matthias Lord Guilford's Deputy: He is very sorry to hear of the misfortune that has happen'd, but he has learnt from Mr Matthias that Her Majesty's loss does not exceed fifteen guineas. Lord North has the honour of submitting Mr Matthias's request to his Majesty's

consideration.

Nov. 19:

Lord North should apprise the Field Officer in Waiting of  
the Foot Guards with the application for a Centinel to be placed  
at the Queen's Treasury and desire him when I give the Parole  
tomorrow to mention it to Me.

Lucien's House

Nov. 19 1743.

on  
37. p. 5. P. M.

Ld. North

Nov. 20 1783

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Lord North has the honour of  
informing his Majesty that Gov.  
Johnston made a motion at the  
India House today for referring to  
the standing counsel of the company  
the resignation of Mr. Hastings &  
consequent appointment of Mr.  
Wheeler, but a previous question was  
put upon it, & a majority of

107 votes against 38 Decided against  
putting Gov. Johnston's Question.

Downing Street  
Wednesday night 11 o'clock  
Nov. 20.



Colon Kaldman

November 20. 1783

to Col. Ankerst

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Lumber le 20.<sup>e</sup> N.<sup>o</sup> 1783

My Lord.

Un Paquet arivé depuis deux jours  
par la Voie d'Halifax, me enfin apporte  
des Lettres du 8.<sup>e</sup> Aoust qui m'annoncent  
la Reduction, & le nouvel Etablissement qui  
est fixé pour cette Province, & quoy qu'on  
aye réduit les appointement, d'envir. en chef  
de la Moitié. Sa Majesté souhaitant que  
je continue icy sur le pied la; Je n'ay  
pas hésité un Moment dans la persuasion  
que je puis être Utile à son Service, —  
leul Motif qui puisse m'engager à rester  
icy. Je souhaiterais seulement d'avoir  
l'assistance de Personnes Actives & qui  
connoissent le Pays, & Je ne connois personne  
qui puisse mieux remplir ces Dues. —  
que le Gen.<sup>e</sup> Christie; Mais puis qu'on  
à

à réduire le Comandement à un L.<sup>re</sup> General  
& un Brigadier, Je ne sais par quel  
Moyen Il pourroit être employé, Mais  
certain Milord que vous y pourriez  
contribuer, ce seroit un nouveau service  
que vous rendriez à ce Pays.

Le Vaifcan devant Mettre à la Voile  
Je n'ay que le temps d'offrir Mes humbles  
Respects à Madam Amherst, & de vous  
assurer Milord de la Broye Estime & du  
parfait Devouement avec lequel Jay  
l'honneur d'être

Milord

Votre tres humble & tres  
Obeissant serviteur  
C. M<sup>re</sup>. Haldimand

Ld North  
& H M's reply

Nov. 28 1782

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Lord North has the honor of trans-  
-mitting to his Majesty, with Lord North's  
-ington's public letters, two private ones,  
one concerning the calling Mr Prime Sergeant  
Hely, & Mr Fitzgibbon to the Privy Council,  
& the ~~other~~ for appointing Mr Gylverton,  
Chief Baron.

Lord North understands, that Mr  
Hely will be made a Justice Judge & Mr  
Scott appointed Prime Sergeant in  
his room. These nominations of Mr

Scott that Fitzgibbon shew, that the  
Lord Lieutenant is obliged to have recourse  
to the old servants of the Castle, & the  
affairs of the Government will probably  
go on the better for it.

The other Letter respects a renewal of  
Lord Antrim's petition for a remainder  
of his honours to his daughters in case  
of failure of male issue: & Lord North  
was not apprized of the favours his  
Majesty granted to Lord Sheffield, it was  
owing to Mr Windham's illnes & conti-

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Ld. North  
& H. M.'s reply

Nov. 28 1782

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- name at Oxford, as Ld North had desired  
- ed him to mention it to the Ld Treasurers  
- name.

Ld North adds a letter from the  
Brethren concerning his report. Ld  
North intended to have taken his Majesty's  
pleasure upon it this morning, but  
the House of Commons yesterday had so increased  
the swelling of his leg this morning that he  
found it difficult to walk.

Friday Night.

Albany  
Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> 1753.  
5<sup>th</sup> M. Y. B. Ch.

The Resolution of Mr. John De Witt, and of the  
and his colleagues, who have been  
agreed to by the Legislature, and  
has been approved by the  
a very sufficient service of the  
reference is in fact directed  
of the use he was heretofore  
adopted, from the  
reasons that his request will be  
accompanied in the declaration  
he rarely grants, that the  
the further they make in  
the report on Wednesday.

Albany  
Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 1752  
Albany  
Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> 1753

H. L. b. h. North. Recd of last

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Windsor Nov. 29. 1783

The Appointment of M<sup>r</sup>. Greville to be Chief Baron  
and M<sup>r</sup>. Kelly and M<sup>r</sup>. Fitzgibbon to be Privy Counsellors  
in Ireland may be prepared agreeable to the Lord Directors  
Recommendations. I am glad to hear M<sup>r</sup>. Scott is proposed  
to be Prime Sergeant, he certainly was a very faithful  
servant of the Crown when Attorney General, now  
Ireland, is in fact banished from this Kingdom whether  
he can be of the use he was previous to the sad measures  
that have been adopted I am totally ignorant. Lord Latimer  
should have the answer that his request will be at the proper  
time considered of; but accompanied with the Declaration  
that it is a favour that will be very rarely granted, that  
other suitors may not be brought forward.

The Treasurer should make his Report on Wednesday.

J. C.

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29 Nov 1783