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I have the Honor most dutifully to inform
your Majesty that the House of Commons
continued to sit in the Committee upon the
Regency Bill till past 9 o'Clock at which
Time they had gone quite thro' the Bill, &
agreed to report it with the Amendments
to morrow Morning. The first Debate in the
Committee was upon a Motion made by Mr
Rose Fuller to leave out the Words Such Person
& to insert instead thereof her present Majesty our
most Gracious Queen Charlotte His Majesty's Royal
Consort & then to leave out all the subsequent
Words, by which Alteration the Clause would be
a complete Nomination of the Queen to be Regent
& Guardian. Mr George Paston of Surrey Seconded this
Motion. Mr Peter Burrell spoke against it & then the

Rest of the gentlemen who spoke for & against the Motion
in the Order in which they stand in the enclosed Paper.
When the Division was made it was carried for the
Words standing on the Bill as they did without the Amendment,
Ays 258 No's 67. Majority 191. The Arguments used by
those who spoke for the Amendment were very much the
same as had been used for the Address proposed on Tuesday
last, The Question in reality being the same. Nothing very
remarkable passed in the Debate except that Mr P. Barré,
Mr Dempster, & Mr Dowdeswell, all spoke with the
Majority. Mr Beckford Mr J. Grenville & many of those
who usually vote with the Minority ^{were absent} & some of them voted
with the Majority. The second Question was upon a
Motion made by Mr Morton to insert the Name of Her
Royal Highness the Princess of Wales amongst those who
are capable of being appointed Regent. This Motion was
Seconded by Mr Keynston for form only as He said nothing
at all in support of it but it was then supported very warmly
by Mr Martin, & very temperately by Mr Blakeston. When

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The Question was going to be put, I followed as nearly as I could. The Idea which your Majesty had pointed out to me, I had the Pleasure to find that it met with general Approbation, & put an end to the Question in the Manner which your Majesty approved, without any Division upon it. After this three Amendments more were proposed. The first a Grammatical one by omitting the Word other which as it stood in the Bill would include the Queen & the Prince of Wales as descended from the late King. The 2^d was an alteration & explanation of the Words now & usually Residing which it was thought were inaccurately expressed. The third was to make the Council removable by the Regent upon the Address of either House instead of both Houses of Parl^t. The two former can admit of no Difficulty, the latter may be altered to morrow on the Report, if not approved of. I flatter myself that this Account will not be displeasing to your Majesty & I have

I have orderd the Mepenger, as it is now too late
to be at Richmonds early enough to night to take care
to be there to morrow morning by 6 o Clock, I will
have the Honor of waiting upon your Majesty at
St James' to morrow to give any farther Information
concerning the Particulars of this Days Business which
your Majesty may chuse to receive.

Downing Street.

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Thursday ^m 30 past 11. P.M.

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Motion to appoint the Queen
 to be Regent & Guardian
 Mr Rose Fuller pro
 Mr G. Inslon of Surrey pro
 Mr Peter Burrell con
 Mr W^m Meredith. pro
 Lt Geo. Sackville con
 Gen^l Conway - pro
 Mr Dempster con
 Gen^l Conway to explain pro
 Lt North - con
 Mr G Savile pro
 Lt Fred^{ch} Campbell con
 Mr Dondreswell con
 Mr G Savile ? to explain
 Mr Dondreswell
 Lt John Cavendish pro
 Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer con
 Col Barre - pro
 Mr Chancellor of Exchequer }
 answer a question asked } con
 Col Barre pro
 Mr Burt - con

Mr Grosvenor con
Division

Ays - 258

Noes 67

Majority - 191

Motion to insert
Her Royal Highness Augusta
Princess Dowager of Wales or

Mr Morton pro
Mr Hanston deputed pro
& Mr Martin - pro
Mr Blakiston pro
Mr Gonslow Guilford pro
Mr Gonslow Surrey con
Mr Stanley to order
Mr Gonslow Surrey
Mr Dyson to order
Mr Elliott to order
Mr White to order
Mr Elliott to order
Mr Barruel
Lord Barrington to order
Mr John Rushford

Mr Gonslow Surrey con

Lord Catherlogh - pro

Mr Rose Fuller con

Mr Chancellor of
the Exchequer } pro

Mr Martin pro

Mr Ch. of Exchequer pro

Lord Palmerston con

Mr Ch. of Exchequer pro

Mr White - con

Lord Geo. Cavendish con

The Question being put
is passed in the affirmative
without a Division.