

Lord Heymouth

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Your Majesty's commands shall always  
be obey'd in the best manner I am able,  
but on the present occasion the difficulties  
seem so great on either side that I do  
not know how to give an opinion. Lord  
North seems to have stated them very  
fairly; an acquisition of strength to  
the administration is to be much wish'd;  
whether the proposed plan would produce  
it or not seems doubtful, the Price for  
Lord Talbot's consent to quit his place  
seems enormous.

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*[Faint, illegible cursive handwriting on a rectangular piece of paper pasted onto a larger sheet.]*