

A. N. to Lord North.

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Lord North, In mentioning to the two Secretaries of State that it might be necessary to alter an expression in the Bill for rendering the Consent of the Crown necessary previous to the solemnization of any Marriage in the Royal Family, this occasioned some conversation on the Bill, which gave rise to the idea that to render the Bill perfect it would be right to add that in case the King should be a Minor then the Regent with the Advice of the Council should have this right of giving consent, otherways a period might happen when the Children of the Crown could as in a late instance enter into improper Alliances. Therefore since you will have this addition made to the Bill in words agreeable to the Regency Act.

Dear Mother
I have just received your letter
of the 11th and was glad to hear
from you and to hear that you
were all well. I am well at
present and hope these few lines
will find you all the same.
I have not much news to write
at present. I am still in the
same place and doing the same
work. I hope to hear from you
again soon. I love you all
very much and hope to see you
all very soon.
Your affectionate son,
John Smith