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Lord Rockingham humbly informs his Majesty  
that an Amendment was proposed by L Suffolk  
which after long Debate was rejected by the Lords

The Numbers for the Amendment were 24 -  
against the Amendment — 80.

The Mover of the Amendment was L Suffolk &  
in Support of it - L Sandwich - L Gower  
L Halifax - V. of Bedford. L Buckinghamshire  
& L Mansfield who rather favoured the  
Amendment but wished no Division - &  
recommended that either the Amendment should  
be withdrawn by the Mover or accepted - & did



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not divide.

L Hardwicke moved the Address very ably & his grace the Duke of Manchester seconded very well.

The Duke of Grafton spoke first against the Amendment - L Dartmouth - L Shelbourne as L Chancellor & L Pomfret against it.

L Rockingham is ashamed to censure his Majesty that he did not attempt to speak upon this occasion.

L Rockingham humbly congratulated his Majesty on the Appearance of Support to Measures in the House of Lords - & also that the Events in the House of Commons of this Day have so flattering an Appearance. L Rockingham



wishes that there had been a Division in the House  
of Commons - as ~~his~~ fully persuaded that the  
Numbers in Support would have exceeded - even  
sanguine expectations.

L. Foxingham humbly hopes for his Majesty's Permission  
to attend his Majesty at St James tomorrow - for a few  
moments previous to his Majesty's Levée in  
order to give his Majesty every Information  
that he can of any circumstances relative to this  
Day.

L. Foxingham has delayed sending his Majesty  
an Acct till the moment he received the Account  
of the Peers present & has mark'd with asterisks  
the Peers - in Minority - but at present does not know  
whether the whole or those that are mark'd - are certain.