

me to appoint either of the Gentⁿ I before recommended (except
M^r Duhany) to be of the Ld^s Council, & as the Ld^s seems
desirous that Members of the Lower House should have the
Preference as often as possible I recommend Coll Robert
Sinking Henry for the Ld^s Jurisdiction; tho' I must confess
that I should have been glad M^r Duhany had not been
thought improper to succeed to a Seat at that Board.
My only reason is that he is esteemed a Gentⁿ of the best
natural & acquired abilities of any in the Ld^s Gov^t & at
the same time looked on to be a Person of strict honour.
What other Peoples Opinion of him may be I know not but
I am inclined to think he may be kind of good Service if
engaged in the Ld^s Interest & not to be regained should
he ever desire himself otherwise than a Friend to the Ld^s
Measure of civil Liberty & Commerce M^r Duhany a hint
on what I am inclined to think M^r Duhany
has received the Ld^s Council's Order that Office. Inclosed
is the Bill of Decree that you sent protested renewed &
herewith also the process & the acts that were made for
before which were not till now printed. I have sent
you the last Court's Journal which speak of another
French Man of War's being fallen into the hands of the
English I know not what Commission to be given to the
Report is or was not to be very authentic: I have
been and the matter of Capt of Admiral Boscawen's
Fleet was to sail to England & his Fleet are to be