

WALPOLE, Sir Robert, afterwards earl of Orford, statesman; *b.* 26 Aug. 1676; secretary-at-war, 1708-10; treasurer of the navy, 1710-11; expelled the house of commons on an accusation of corruption in regard to forage contracts, 1711; committed to the Tower, 17 Jan.; released, 8 July, 1712; paymaster-general, 1714-15, 1720-21; first lord of the treasury and chancellor of the exchequer, 1715-17; again, 1721-42; *d.* 18 March, 1745.

169 ORFORD (Sir Robert Walpole, first Earl of) Prime Minister, two letters, 3½ pp. 4to, probably in the hand of his Secretary, *Houghton, July 16th, 1743, and July 14th, 1744, referring to Mr. Townshend who is serving as a volunteer with Lord Dunmore; etc.* (2)

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