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His Majesty's Wife  
Jason  
the  
March 26: 1814.  
Late at Night.

Dear Sir,

I write in a very different temper  
from what I took up my pen last time: I was  
then very much hurt at the unintentional but  
real insult offered to the Grand Dutches, and equal-  
ly concerned to see her irritation and displeasur  
-on: I have however smoothed all difficulties and  
with the very great exertions of Captain King I  
have arranged the accommodations on board the Jason

as well as her men and a Dutch Dock Yard and  
provide and the attendants of the Grand Dutchess  
appear to be satisfied: all her baggage and amonia-  
-ns are on board and she comes herself tomorrow  
at ten: Hope if the wind is fair she will arrive  
in England on Thursday: she is anxious to land  
as near London as possible and I shall therefore  
run the Jason up to Gravesend if the wind is  
fair: she arrived this morning in high health and  
spirits at three o'clock and has quite forgot her ill  
humour and displeasur: returned on board to  
dinner and was most agreeably surpris'd shortly

after to have a visit from Tyrone's who returned  
 from Admiral Jervis with letters to me giving  
 me full powers to do what I please and putting the  
 Cheasul Cutter under my most positive command.

I shall therefore tomorrow embark in the Imperial  
 Catherine and board the same and in the afternoon  
 at 4 o'clock I shall particularly request you shall  
 have Major Tupper to enter upon board the same  
 and attend her on board the Cheasul Cutter.

Thank God this disagreeable  
 affair is over: after all the marked attention I have  
 secured from all the allies and their respective

Had from the Emperor Alexander I could not per-  
mit his favourite sister to be conveyed in an un-  
-permaner to Longford: more particularly being  
myself in the Navy.

Hope not many hours after your receipt this to be  
able to shake you by the hand: in the mean time  
adieu and ever believe me,

Dear Sir,

Yours sincerely

Wm Pitt Rivers

Duke of Clarence  
March 20. 1801