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Buckley House.
Friday
Brighton

Dear Brother,

I was in hopes to have
saved post this evening but find it is too late:
my motive for writing must inform you that
by this morning's post I received a very civil let-
ter from Lord Bute enclosing his proxy and say-
ing it was by your desire: I shall of course enter
and use it and have written his Lordship a
polite answer.

I called yesterday in the morning at Carlton
House and found Mr. Mahon just from Brighton: he

well of course have told you all that passed
at Windsor and what occurred at the Queen's House
last Wednesday as he dined with me on that
day: the Queen has been very unwell and looks
dreadfully ill: it began in the ear throats
which confined her some days since which
her bowels have been very bad in the old way
and she told me at least she never far from
well: he is however very old and shows in his face
marks of old age: he was remarkably fine and
was neither irritable or had been irritable:
the only one of my sisters who mentioned your
name was Mary: she wished to have the bearing
made up and thought him in some respects

... way: but Mr. Mahon will have told you all:
I saw Mr. Mahon last week ^{and} he means to see you
at Brighton before he returns to Vienna and I
repeated to him what Mr. Mahon had previ-
ously told him: from the conversation I have
had with Mr. Mahon and the story related to me
by Mr. Mahon I am inclined to think there is a wish
to make them matter up: I only state what
strikes me.

If any thing occurs I shall write again and mean
to go once more to Windsor before the Birth-
day: for the present adieu: my love and best
wishes attend Mr. Pitt and our beloved ones.

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Yours most affectionately
William Pitt

[Faint, mirrored handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]

W. G. W.
The Duke of Clarence