

Bushy House,
 Tuesday
 Eighth.

My Dear Brother,

Having informed you it
 was my intention to have been at Brighton next
 Thursday and in my letter having again mentioned
 it I now take up my pen to account for and excuse
 my absence from Friday: but was fortunately a
 friend you are now acquainted with and who will
 perhaps occasionally visit you, without invitation
 or and always without solicitation I mean the you
 has taken forcible possession of my right thinking
 hard and really renders me incapable of partaking

of the festivities at Knighton: on Saturday. I felt a
little of it and our social business: I am at
present in very low spirits and much afflicted with
the headache: if I thought it would go off I should be on
Friday at the Pitt Club and experience in forms on
I must be more before he has and consequently by a
man a servant to Knighton.

I shall tomorrow to hold a pen & shall write you
otherwise except my congratulations for Friday and
believe me at all times whether present or absent

Dear Brother,

Yours most affectionately

J. W. Mack

H. R. H. M. Duke
I. C. Lawrence