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My dear Hughes

I was highly delighted at your unexpected Letter and also the News you wrote to me of which I answer immediately. As you are not well acquainted on this side of the Continent with the Sairs I have spoken to some Gentlemen here who have given me a list of the Jets which I communicate to you whereby you will accomodate yourself as well as your companions but that I foretell you that they are not to be compared with English ones as the Harand pour les Richmond Martins par Vendson. You will also get the Bottom of the Paper the Inn of Gottingen if you would be so kind as on Receiving this Letter of mine to answer me the same a little more

accurately and how many Rooms you and your Company will want I will take Care to engage them beforehand for you so that on your Arrival you may have no Trouble to seek for a Lodging. You was so kind as to ask me if I wanted any thing. I would thank you if you would be so kind as to bring me (1) the Second Edition of Adam Crawfords Experiments and observations on Animal Heat and the Inflammation of Combustible Bodies (2) 2 Setts of Matho seu Cosmotheoria Juvenilis by — Baxter 2 Vol Small 8vo (3) one of Mr de Luc's Whale bone Hygrometers. They are made by Mr Neave & Blunt and Mr Harler and Haas. If you please to pay them there for me I will pay you here in German what I can Lure you will be in want of here for at Gottingen

almost every sort of Money papers. I would almost lay a wager
with You that on Your Arrival You should not know
me at first. Will You bet with me I will bite. But
I believe I should be very mysterious by the Joy I shall
have in seeing. With Respect to Cousin Kora. Hughes I shall
beg you to explain Yourself a little more openly
Is he really going to be married. I should like to see
him walking with his wife Hand in Hand I believe
I should laugh. But you Hughes before a Year is
over Your Head will be married I am sure. having
how House You will find a woman Necessary

Adieu dear Hughes Your affect. friend

Gottingen. June the 11th 1838 A respectful Frederick

Dear Hughes

You desired to hear how my Health goes since your Departure. very well — I have been up four Hours to day which has been very good for me I have eat my Dinner with Appetite and so forth. Dornford begs to be remembered to you and acknowledges the Receipt of a Note from you by his Boy Fritz who safely arrived at Gottingen. You are gone (as I understand) to day from Lastle which I hope hath liked you (as Professor Lichtenberg said in his Garden to you) "how does Gottingen like you" he is a very good Speaker for heading the Table at an Aldermans Feast. When you arrive at ~~Bro~~ London or Windsor I wish you would write

a Note to Lady Charlotte Finch and mention to her that as soon as I was well I should write her a Letter and at the same time be so kind as to speak a little in Dornford's favor about whom I shall also write her a word for I wish he should be able to succeed with his Dedication to The Queen. He is a good fellow

Lou

adieu dear Hughes Your affect: Friend Cornwallis

Gottingen August the 25th 88

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Gottingen October the 1st 1788

My dear Hughes

I am glad to hear of your safe arrival in England. Your departure from Gottingen really made me quite low I found always I wanted some one and when I came to think on it it was always the Image of Hughes presenting itself to my View I thank you very much for the Commissions you ~~executed~~ did for me and am glad you have mentioned nothing to Lady Charlotte Finch about the Dedication of Dornford's Book for Dornford has receive a Letter from Mr Smith in which is mentioned the queens gracious Acceptance of his intended Dedication. Dornford has had a law suit with the Man at Castle who let the Dominos to him and winning ~~that~~ it for the Masquerade because the Dominos had been

lost but he has won his Cause as he pretends that Ender was left
at the Inn for the returning of them. I hope by the time
My Letter arrives that you will have got my Dust
look at it often and think it is one who loves you very much
Mr Hayes will also get his and this Post will be the
means also of his receiving a Letter from me. Those Letters
I gave you at Gothenburg I shall beg you not to shew
much about. You asked me in your Letter whether
I had desired you to get me some Spas. Yes I did. I will
tell you Something as a Friend Malothe said to me he had expe
ted a couple of Lines from you that you had promised him

Gifford has not wrote to me yet. You will be surprised
to hear that I write to you at present from my Bed owing
to a much more violent Attack which has confined me
to it and had I not been bled in the moment half an Hour
longer would have seperated Augustus from his Friend Hughes
for ever. However I am at present getting better. Loftus
and Clarke leave us to Day Christon is already gone to home
remains except Dorrfond who desires to be remembered to
you, My Compliments to Mr and Mrs Fonnery and so I remain
always your sincere and affect. Friend
Augustus Frederick

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My Dear Hughes.

I got your Kind Letter at Lions from whence You may see I at present date my Letter. You who know how the Kings Health is at present may easily guess the Concern & consternation in which I am at present. My present Intention is to go to Toulon & from thence to Marseilles but if any unlucky Accident should befale the King I shall do my utmost to Return to England. I wish you joy on your Marriage. Suspected I did indeed at Gottingen but not of the Lady you mention Mr Twining's Eldest Daughter a Girl of 17 seemed to me to be your object. I heartily wish you may get the Living at Putney as soon as I come to England if it lays in my Power I shall make you then a Visit. I would be glad you would mention to me whether you have got my Bust. Mr Hayes wrote me word he had not

yet got his. A little while ago a Young Lady wrote me word from England that Mr Hayes was gone to make a Tour in France she did not know why but thought perhaps for his Improvement with this Remark in French plustôt tard que jamais. Cookson answered the Letter I sent him by Stanger about a Year ago & wrote me word that he was no longer a Batchelor. With Respect to the Letters you mentioned I never doubted of your Discretion. I think really I could not bestow them on a worthier Person. I have told Linsingen about General Bude for which Kindness you many Thanks Manchlein who is the other Gentleman that accompanies desires his best Compliments to You. When you write to me again send your Letter over Ostend enclosed to General Gmelin with this Direction. / A Monsieur Monsieur Gmelin General Major et Quartier Maitre General des deux Cercles a Francfort sur le Main

with Respect to the Derbyshire Spar in case an unlucky
Accident should happen to the King keep it for me till farther
Directions from me, if not, send it to Gottingen to the
Colonel there he will keep it for me till my Return
with the Rest of my Cabinet of Curiosities. To fill up
this Sheet I will give you a Short Account of what
I have seen here. first the Town House reckoned to be
the finest in France. The Stair case is very beauti
fully painted. There is also there an Altar the Romans
made use of at their Sacrifices on two sides of it
a Head of a Bull is cut out. on the other Side the Knife
with which they used to kill their Sacrifices
The Church of the Carthegian Monks was the next Buil
ding I visited. The Church is built in Imitation of
St Peters Church at Rome very beautifull The
Pillars that support the Dome are all of Italian
Marble. I also visited the Monks themselves. They are the Cleanest Sort of Monks

have seen and one of the most aged Orders. They never speak but once a week on a Sunday. When Strangers come the Don Gicar one of the Officers of the Order ie who does the Business of the House gives one of them Permission to speak. They have each two little Roo. one for their Bed & Study Room the other for their setting Room. a little Hole is in the Wall through which They receive their Victuals. They dare eat Mea but once in seven Years when the first of Easter falls on a Sunday They have also each a little Gar. Dear assure you it looks terrible to see them go all to church following one another without daring to speak & looking all like Ghosts being drest in White they have not Shirts on neither dare they slee in Sheets only in Blankets. In my Next Lette I will write you something more. Adieu

Dear Friend your affectionate

Lions December the 24th 1788 Augustus Frederick

Dear Hughes

being arrived at the Place we here I am to remain It was one of my first Gratifications to write to my Friend to whom I hope this Letter finds in good Health. The Situation of the Place is very lively and very agreeable. I am indeed much better since my Journey which gives me the best Hopes This Moment I received from Gottingen a very kind and polite Letter from Mr Twining The Answer to which I take the Liberty of enclosing to You as I do not know his Direction when you give him Say All that is polite from me to him. It was indeed vastly civil of Him to think of those Things for me. Before I came to this Place I visited Marseilles

One of the prettiest Places I ever saw, the
Society of the Inhabitants is very bad since the
Only Reason for their coming together is ~~for~~
Gambling. The Rich of Good Society and
who Does not play is not invited again
to Their Dinner. The Manner in which
they carry on this bad Custom —
is very curious as it is I believe very
uncommon. You are invited to Dinner
After it is over & you have drunk Coffee
the Lady of the House goes to a Bureau
where she has perhaps 50,000 Livres
there the People who play go & take from
her perhaps 500 Livres. Do they win
they give it back & she sends a one gain
the next Day, Do you lose you take that
Sum home & send it back the next Day
with what you have lost. You may judge
from this I did not frequent their Society
but only visited English families who

were very kind to me. Sir Ralph & Lady Payne Mr & Mrs Weatherstone Mayor & Mrs Don were those I used to go to almost every Evening. I saw also many unknown English one of whom desires to be particularly remembered to you Mr Balm a very Gentlemanlike good sort of a Man He spoke to me very much of you & said one of the first things he would do when he came to London should be to make you a Visit. He told me that he had often been your Correspondent. After a few Days there I proceeded to Nice where I found a very habitable well situated little Maison. It is not fine but very Comfortable. On the one side of it you see the Sea which at this Moment runs Mountains high. five English miles below our House have been blown on Shore yesterday a Melancholy sight. On the Other side little forests of Orange Trees which grow ~~water~~ wot but much Help from the Hands of Men but the Noble & rich Crop of the year is quite lost. There has been a Violent Frost here a Thing

seldom Known which has in a great Measure
ruined the Trees. Two People of great distinction
I have forgot to tell you of whom I saw. Governor
Ellis who wrote the first Plan for Cooks Discoveries
He told me he had passed the Lines twas a twenty
& had by Lines seen the Polar Circle. Mr
Reinalde whose Works you have certainly read Dr
Saw. Captain de Linsingen & Professor Fisher desire
to be remembered to you & the Professor hopes your
Eyes are better.

Adieu my Dear Hughes
yours ever affectionate & obliged Friend
Augustus Frederick

Shires. January the 10th 1799

P.S. I forgot to congratulate you for the New
Year. tho my Place of Abode is fixed my Love
remains the Same

Göttingen July the 12th 89.

My Dear Hughes

The kind Letter I had the Pleasure of receiving from You the 4th of this Month was very agreable to me especially as It informed me of my Friend's being well, for the Last Fortnight I have been ill again. I believe the Place which is always damp by the Rivers does not agree with me. This Thought makes me sometimes melancholy and very desirous of returning Home. Though whenever the Thing chooses to send me I shall always be happy and think it my Duty to remain

You ask after the Hygrometer. at my lovrian I found it here and quite in good Order for which I return many thanks. Lichtenberg wishes devilishly to have it. He has sold all his ~~Mathematical~~ Instruments to the University for a Pension. That Party I made to the Chartreuse I should like to ~~do~~ make again but only at another Season of

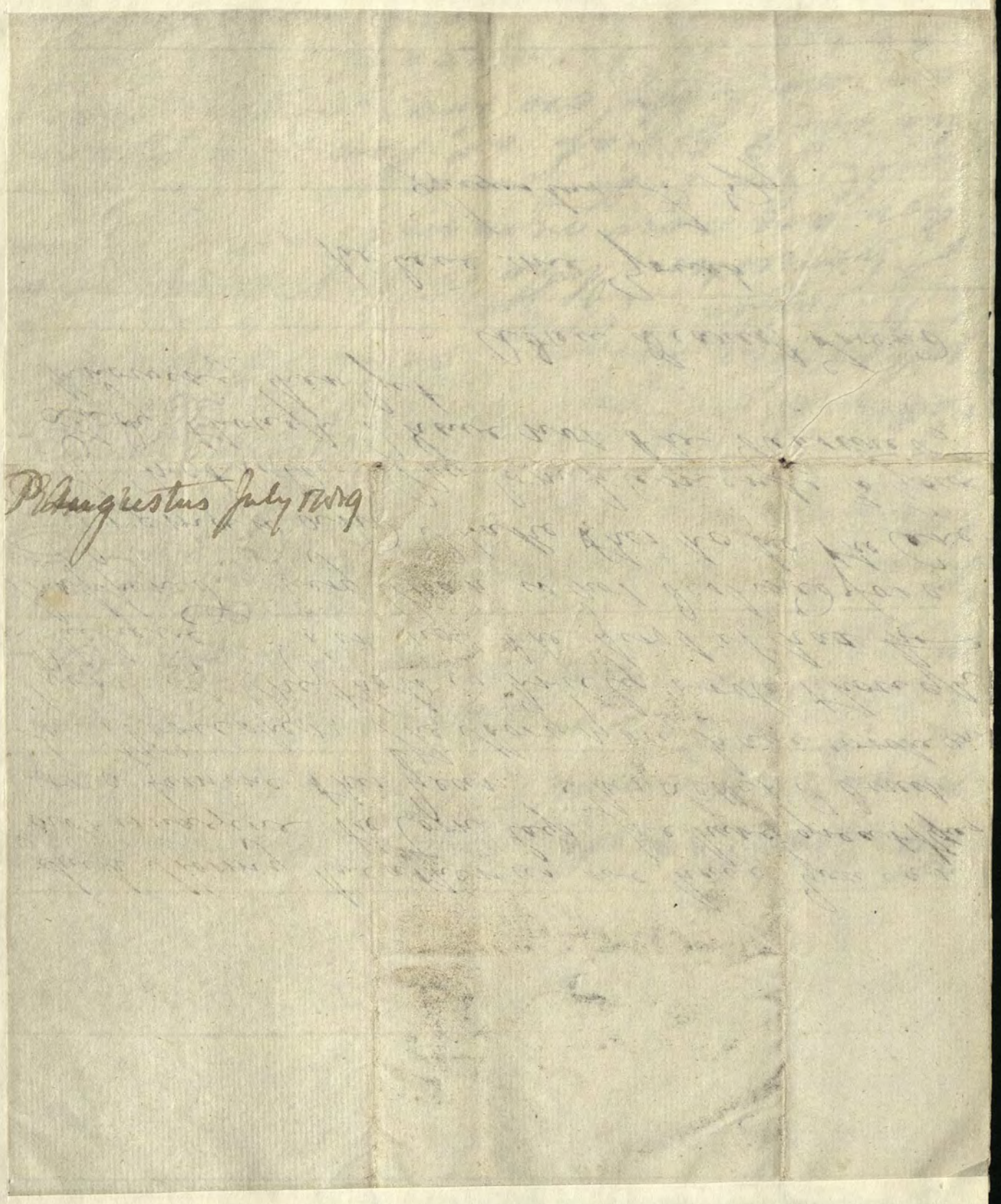
The Year. I am ~~afraid~~ afraid Cookson should think me guilty of forgetfulness in not writing to him but it has been entirely out of my Power what with one thing and another it has been impossible for me to write to him. Pray let me know how Mr Hayes spends his time I hear so little from him that I can not guess what he is about. This Day I have wrote Letters to all my Family in hopes of getting some Answer I do not know what will happen. If you see the Bishop of Worcester who is probably where you are now remember me to him Well Good ye. Do you recollect the Days we used to have at Kew tho' many a an unhappy one too. for sometimes it was very disagreeable. Lisher understand is very happy with his wife

such Stormy Weather as we have You can not imagine the Corn lays. We have great Hopes for a famine this year. This Letter I direct to Worcester. The Story you have wrote me word of Mytholo is truly droll though I believe it is not the first it has so happened. Every Man is not destined for a Clergeman and I take this to be the Case of Mr Hold. My Compliments to Your Lady though I have not the Pleasure of knowing her yet.

Adieu Dearest Friend

believe me Yours

Augustus F. W.



Tas y. Duke house at Pisa

Pisa. January the 16th. 90

My Dear Hughes

This Evening I received Your Kind Letter to which I hasten to give you an Answer and the more as you seem to accuse me of the Receipt of a Letter which I never have got. That You have wrote it my Dear Friend I never doubt but fear through the Disturbances which reign in the Netherlands that it is lost. what strengthens me in my Belief is that this Letter of Yours dated (Decr. the 24. 89) has been opened before I received it Their being got the Another Seal upon it as ~~what~~ that with which you probably sealed it. It gave me great Pleasure to find by Yours the good State of Health you enjoy with Mrs Hughes to whom I beg my Compliments and often enjoy the Thoughts ~~even~~ of being introduced to her by You. Now I am sure You are busy in following the Directions of the Scripture encrease and Multiply. ~~when I was a Boy~~ when some Years ago we were together I little thought Hughes You would marry as for Cookson that was an History of old Date. In Your Next I shall beg You to let me

know about Horace Hayes Esq.t as you live in his Neighbourhood. Should he seem to express a Wish of my writing to him but if not I will not write to him fearing a Reproach for my long Silence. Mason still remains in your Neighbourhood as I have been told. For the Conclusion of my Letter I will give you a Short Account of my Existence. The Beginning to be sure is a little Vain but I consider that I am writing to a Friend who wishes to know how it goes with me whether Fortune seems to Smile upon me or not. During my whole Stay in France it was astonishing how the Air agreed with me but on My Return back to Gottingen my old Complaint the Asma seized me and I never was free from it till I left the Town again since which Time I am so perfectly reestablished that Nobody would believe I had ever been ill. Gottingen I am afraid is not made for my Constitution. 8 whole weeks before my last Departure from thence did I spend without

Knowing what a Nights Rest was and the Day after I left it my Complaint forsook me and Since then I have been blessed with a Series of such Good Health that nothing can be compared to me. The Journey pleased me very much The Different Customs of the Different Countries Struck me very much The Agriculture is also worth being remarked especially in this Country where not a Spot of Land has been neglected. The Grand Duke has been particularly attentive to this Subject and has also reaped the Benefit of it. Tuscany Stake to be the happiest Part of Italy. The Sovereign likes His Subjects and the Subjects adore their Sovereign. a celebrated Author Says in His Works. "Tout Citoyen est Roi sous un Roi citoyen" The Grand Duke is amiable and kind to a degree. His Sons also merit Praise and not merely Praise but the Highest Encomiums. The best Educated possible affable Prevenant a un Degré. This French Term expres

exactly what I say. The Grand Duke has allowed me to enjoy much the Company of these Dear Princes and you may easily imagine I take advantage of his Goodness as much as circumstances allow always afraid of being thought impertinant. We ride out together generally in the Morning and in the Evening see one another either at their House or in some other Country. Of My Countrymen there are plenty here and some very pleasant Persons. Lord Hervey our Envoy at Florence was very Kind to me ~~at the~~ during my stay at that Court. He is come here just to Dayn order to dine with me and I hope he will remain here some Days. Longer I can not make me Letter at present having some thing to do. Write to me soon and send your Letter to Ilberslaven ~~our~~ the Hanoverian Minister I am ever yours. Augustus Frederick

P. Aug. Jan 10 1750

Thieres December 30. 1790

My Dear Hughes God knows how it happens but my Letters which I write to you, and the other Gentlemen, are always lost. Before my Departure from Gottingen I wrote you one, and twice on the Road. In hopes that this will reach My Dear Friend I write once more, and for fear the direction I made to the last, should be the Cause of its not coming to your Hands, will enclose it to Horace Hayes Esqr, and then be so kind as to send me your Address by which I may be able to write to you oftener, for you must know I am become quite a man of Business and Politics. I am fond therefore of receiving, and writing Letters punctually, and of getting all the News I can scrape up together. This will be of infinite use to me for two Reasons For the first Place I shall by this means keep up my English, which begins rather (I am ashamed to say) to lag. And secondly shall have the Pleasure of writing to my Friends. You will be surprised my Dear Hughes to find my Letter dated from Thieres, a Small Town where I spent a Winter already two Years ago. The General Opinion at present is that France is unsafe for Strangers. I can not complain of this, every Foreigner seems to be looked upon kindly, and has nothing to fear from any one, as soon as he submits to have his Passport frequently examined. The being Eye Witness to many Disorders is to be sure not very agreable and that is all the Inconvenience I

have observed as yet. Though I have not heard from me a Long time, yet perhaps at the Queen's House or somewhere or other you will most probably have heard how Ill I have been. After my last Winter's Stay at Pisa and Florence, I went to Venice for the Ascension, When I was still very well; from thence I went to Gottinger, and Scarce eight Days arrived there I caught the Measles from my Brother Ernest, Six Weeks I was Confined with this Complaint, then they Struck on my Breast which had well nigh Killed me. My Asthma was so violent that for the three ensuing Months I could not once Sleep in Bed but was forced to Set up every Night in an Armed Chair. Providence certainly helped me out of the Dilemma this time for it was so far gone with me that the Physicians were already au bout de leur Satin no very agreeable Aspect you must confess for me. After I was got somewhat better the Good Kung ordered me to go to Nice. The beginning of the Journey did not agree with me but thank God since I got here a Capital trading Town of Genoa I have been daily getting better. The Tour I have made is pleasant I passed over Verona Brescia Milan Pavia and Genoa. Verona was known to me already from the last Journey so I did not stop there Genoa pleased me vastly the New Street or Strada Nuova ~~[illegible]~~ is one of the most beautiful things I ever saw and

would be according to my Opinion infinitely finer were it a little broader and the Houses faced with Portland Stone instead of being painted on the outside as they more are. I met there with a very sensible and clever English Physician Doctor Gatt of Wiltshire &c he has banished already twenty years from England on Account of his Health. Every good Institution such as Hospital Botanical Guarden and Museum or Collection of Fossils and other things are all under his Directions and some even instituted by him and in a very flourishing Way. At Nice there are not above ten English Families Lady Ouin is the Queen of the Colony she has built herself a House there and has already spent eight Winters. The Celebrated Lady Mayzard is also there. She is though 54. ~~certainly~~ still a fine Woman and a very charming one. The French who have retired there to the number of upwards of 300 Gentlemen have taken the best Houses which prevents many more English from coming as else certainly would. When at Nice I got orders to go to Sienes which is only two Days Journey farther. This gave me great Satisfaction as there is too much noise for me at Nice. So many Balls Assemblies &c which would have ruined my Health without ~~doing~~ giving me much Pleasure as Just Parties are generally very stiff. For me Nothing is so disbeseeming as that, I am all for Liberty and what is agreable

There are no English at present here except one Who is no more to be looked upon as such as He has Sold all His Estates in England and is become almost a citizen of theres. By this ~~Des~~ Description you must naturally guess the famous Mark Pigott Who Sold His Estates in England at the Beginning of the American War because as he said England was going to the Dogs. and placed his Money on the French Annuities. His Money is truly now gone to Pot. He Seems pretty Serious about it. Though I have heard nothing of you or your Family a long Time I suppose every Thing is going on as I ought and that you have two if not already three and one a coming or as the English Proverb Says Jack in the Cellar. The Climate here is divine I am sitting now very comfortably the 30th of December With my Windows open enjoying the Sun Whilst you are freezing at Putney unless you have a large fire Which I do not doubt you have. I wish I could send you over With this Letter a Little Warmth I am sure you would like it. The Day after tomorrow I see you standing in the Queen's Breakfast Room in Power and Effron with Mayendie, Fisher, Demembrie Gifford are. De Lue and Monsieur Mennubre. Let me know in your next if I am not right: a Happy New year dear Stuffes is the Wish of Him Who is till Death Your ever obliged and affectionate friend Augustus Frederick

? March 1791 (8090)

It is my Opinion Dear Hughes when one writes to a Friend at such a Distance that one ought not to leave the least Scrap of Paper empty. I do this very readily as I flatter myself you take an Interest in what happens to me. Captain Linsingen is no more with me Some Misunderstanding between Your humble Servant and him occasioned his remaining at Gottingen with my Brothers Who as You will probably have heard leave that Place in Some Days, most probably before You get this Letter. Mr de Stanstein and Jonquieres Who accompany me on this Tour beg leave to be remembered to You. Professor Lichtenberg my Opinion does the Same. He does not remain with me in Some Weeks Prospect Another because as I have got our Leave of Absence for a Year and a half and perhaps more he can not Stay So long a Time away from the University having the Lying in Hospital under His Direction. Stanstein Who is my first Gentleman is a most charming Man very well instructed agreable and friendly. When [illegible] I do Something that is not quite right he [illegible] it me So Gently and with the sweetest Delicacy that on the doing a Disagreable Business He engages Esteem and Love. How happy such a situation is between the Governor and his Pupil. I have not been So lucky on my two last Journeys to France and Italy which makes this one more agreable as I feel its Worth. Since my Departure from Gottingen I have not once had Letters from my Family which to tell the Truth renders me somewhat uneasy. Perhaps thought that the Uncertainty of whether the Letters would find me or not is the Occasion of such a long Silence one more Adieu with my Compliments to Mrs Hughes.

To

The Revd. Thomas Hughes

Putny

March 20, 1791

My Dear Hughes

Your kind letter deserves an immediate Answer, and though I have not much Time having a vast Number of Letters to write this Time I can not resist the Pleasure of informing you I am getting quite well. This Climate seems quite suited to my Health and I expect I may in which I have received a little contribute towards amending it. Our Winter Quarters will now soon be at an End and I flatter myself to have the Kings Approbation for summering in Switzerland which you know is both an agreeable and instructive Country. First Lieutenant Hale & Mr Barnet are very desirous for Duty and though we are not numerous I can assure you we agree very well together as no one minds in Politics the Destruction of all

March 20, 1791

Peace and Quietness. The Nights begin already to be cool since this past. The Climate for you who are fond of Warmth. I recollect very well how you used to delight in a true Fire and you used by Way of a Favour to let us go over to Your Room for five Minutes to warm ourselves. Cotton has not Answered My Letter I do not know what is become of him how numerous his Family is and so on. You must of Course live quite en Famille as you live quietly in the Country. Mr de Hayes has wrote me a long French Letter but as I dislike that Language most mortally I shall have him in English and this I hope will be a good Lesson for him to attack me no more in French. You know how he used to plague us with his French when we lived together at Kew. My Brother will have an England [illegible] and for a Guinea or Two we have forced to pay for honey there was no Profusion in that Government allow. At present I occupy myself with learning Italian which I find a Charming Language as I am fond of Music it has double Charms for me. I love a good Opera of all things. Dr Filler Cotton Gardner at Gottingen and Who gave Your Son something for two Days has this day been my Physician and accompanied me here. He has four Days to leave me being invited to Gottingen where it is absolutely necessary for the Man Medicine Prince and as you know I do not want his Assistance in that Way I return to Bath.

I have got a new one perhaps you have seen him at Gottingen. His

Murray

[illegible] the
[illegible] who
is at [illegible] very young
but a Man of Parts. Yesterday I
received a Letter from Gibraltar by
Edward who leaves that place the
[illegible] of May and goes with his Regiment
to Canada where he is to remain
three years. God grant that his health
may not suffer by it for the Change of
Climate is very great. I suppose I shall
be at least two years longer abroad
when with the blessing of Heaven I hope
to return and embrace my Dear
Friend at Wimbledon or wherever else
in Old England. I long exceedingly to
[illegible] you but as long as the King
does not [illegible] it [illegible]
[illegible] Good Wishes [illegible]
[illegible] Harmony and melody [illegible] for I think
[illegible] very [illegible] May
[illegible] and [illegible] Jonquils
[illegible] Rivers
[illegible] May Blessings [illegible]
[illegible] Your most Obliged & affectionate
March 20th 1791 Augustus Frederick

My Dear Hughes

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By the Letter you have lately wrote me I see you have not received a longone from me which I sent you in the course of the summer giving an account of my tour in France from Marseilles to Bourdeaux Limoges and Lyons. I am sorry for it for I communicated to you many Ideas on which I wanted your advice. but indeed you are a litt bein the fault yourself for even this last Letter of yours is not dated so that this Letter might as well go to America as England and just as likely to find you. In the pure Conviction of this I shall enclose it to Horace Hayes Esq. Who will probably know your Habitation. My tour to Rome and Naples gave me pleasure and Amusement but if I had had the Choice of going to Brentford or Rome I think I should have been of the same opinion with the Than and gone to the former but that from other Motives than he perhaps might have had. Windsor you know is on the other Side of Brentford

and as I should like very much to go there I must naturally
like to be on the Road. This is plain Matter of Fact
you must allow. and as I am a great admirer
of Facts I speak in this Style. However Am I to
remain out of England I am glad to see Rome and
Naples my Stay at both has been but very short therefore
at present you must expect no Account but as I am
to remain a Month or six Weeks at Rome on my
Way back I shall then give you a full Account
of every Thing. I am very busy studying Virgil
as very probable next October in a year I shall be going
or gone to Cambridge or Oxford but as this is a
great Secret and Nothing fully determined
yet I trust you will be Silent on the Subject
I shall write to you more about it as soon
as I know this Letter has reached you and
your Direction there is at Mr W. Raymond
Pitti & Compagnie a Naples I live at present
at Portici where I have taken a most Char
ming House and Stroll built Over Pues

in it have rendered it as comfortable as possible
It is about five English Miles from Naples so
that I go very often in and out to the Opera, Drama
&c &c. I have two fixed Days Tuesdays and Saturdays
Sometimes I indulge Rough after them but this
on the Principle of being a Freeman ~~of Liberty~~
talking of Liberty Somebody asked me what
that was My Answer was as indefinite thing
and which every Body translates & explains
to his own Advantage and Interest. and then
I entered into Copious all the detailes.
Moral Liberty consisted in the Power of doing
as much Good as was in our Power Political
Liberty, such as our English Government where
every Man the poor as well as rich was able
to find redress for their Grievances. Where no Ox
nor Horse was allowed to be maliciously ill
treated this I meant the Italians to feel for in
this Country they often seek there Vengeance
on Horses. Somebody since my Journal here
has given cut to my Horse

they call Chiquency them a Button-hole. And so I went down to the Liberty of a Cat's Cover and then turned round to a Frenchman who was in the Room enfin Monsieur Liberté de trouver a redire a Votre Gouvernement actuelle &c. This made them laugh and I got rid of a very troublesome fellow who was questioning me. Had He not been off at this I would have told him Liberté de vous trouver fort ennuyeux. However He was too cunning for me.

You will find this Letter most probably very foolish and so indeed it is. But if it cures a Headache or makes you laugh a Moment It will give Pleasure to him

Who ever is

Lodgings January 17th
1792.

Your most obliged & obeyed

Augustus Frederick

My Dear Hughes

You wrote to me sometime ago for to know if I was coming back to England or not at that time I was so indifferent not owing to my wanted Comfortable but to dejection of mind that it was out of my power to answer you at that moment. Just now that I am better I take to my Pen and recall myself to the memory of one of my dest friends but not the least love. When your letter arrived I was still in expectation of a recall indeed it was so certain that a Gentleman was sent from Hanover for to accompany me. However this Diabolical Revolution in France which has made so many unfortunate Sufferers occasioned also my Disappointment and instead of finding myself as my friend as would have been the case now I ought to have gone to England I am now still here. Baron Marshall An officer in the Hanverian Guards was the person sent for to fetch me home but since he had he been here three Weeks that he was sent for back and appointed one of the Duke of York's Aide de Camp

soon after I receive Letters from my Family with Direction to move to the North of Italy and there remain for further Orders where I shall move to in about three Weeks. Consequently when you get this Letter pray answer it under Cover to Mr Tassi Banker at Milan where I will of course come safe. Those Objections which prevented my Return to England are now fallen away what Were the Difficulties arising from no Passage through Holland being practicable. The French are completely beat back by the glorious Arms of the Austrians have left all that Country free so that I am again in Expectation of some Welcome News the Post so as have received on hand the Other Day a Letter from a Person of Authority Lake Wales, though you may think every Thing requisit relative to you you are not forgot however Recollect for yourself as I am not accustomed to Write but think I prosper for your Advantage. You know Mr my Dear Friend has put me in Spirits again and I hasten to let you know of it as soon as possible. The Ladies Beauties of Rome are probably as Well known to

you perhaps even better than to me though I am what I not to
Dwell not tire you with making descriptions of Countries which
so many Travellers have attempted to do and undoubtedly with
more success. However as modern things must also have a
value for you I will give you some information relative
to two the friends and acquaintances of yours I believe known
to my friend. The first is my friend Colet one of the most Va
luable Men I know. Though not possessed of the most brilliant
Parts he has one of the best Hearts I know and a very warm
friend of mine. He has often spoke to me of you and indeed
charged me when I wrote to the Cape to remember him
to Mrs Ord. I have known him two years already
but since this last Winter have been particularly acq
uainted with him and a more loyal Subject the King
has not in his Dominions. Lady Colet is a very Amiable
little Woman and the friendly Way they live together
is charming. For my part I think they are two of the
best People I have met in my travels. Another
Acquaintance of yours is a Mr Foster related to the Mr
who is at Eton. He is a Clergyman and tho' me that he

had studied with you and others at Cambridge. Mr. Gore and Corbet returned to England last Week when he assured me the Duke of Kent would give a Vent. from Corbett I never hear a Word he seems to have quite forgot me and I am sure I have Wrote to him often tho' he did Wrote to me it Was most probable the Letters never reached him for he lived in some little out of the Way Parish where Posts never Went. I hope now my Dear Hughes hurry are over you may feel you will Write to me from time to time and you may depend upon my answering punctually. My Compliments to Mrs Hughes and assure her I shall esteem myself particularly happy in making Her Husband a Visit formally. I am remain My Dearest Hughes with the warmest affection and sincerest Regard

Your ever obliged and Devoted

Rome
May the 4th 1793.

My Dear Hughes

I am this moment returned from the land of my best excellent and most beloved Father Edward to that Government excuse my hand writing, and am now returning to London. I enquired of Lord George Hastings whether Smallbone Dance Esq. is expected on Wednesday next! Who answered me in the affirmative he has promised to write to

you have My sincere pe
fear of Inclitte Stan
ley at Windsor to be
postponed to some ever
nothing prefer at city
I add that I am most affect
ionately My Dear Stanley
Windsor Green
Feby 12th
1852

My Dear Arthur

I enclose a letter from my Sister the Duchess of Gloucester, which I have received from you. Will it be too kind as to return it to me. I will explain to you most fully the object of my application. I know nothing of the particulars. I have not always had to do in meeting my Sister's wishes. I leave it to you to say what can or can not be done in the business, and your answer I shall forward back to the Duchess, as I have sent you her letter to me. Having been of late much confined to my chair by an unpleasant bodily complaint

I have been very little in the City, in
deed not at all, otherwise I should
have called at your Q. Quarters for
it is difficult to find you anywhere
else; although I see your name
a good deal in the Papers at one time,
and could not help feeling for the un
pleasant Dilemma in which you
seemed to be placed. We live in
the hope, we live in the World, that
every Situation has its bitters as well
as its Sweets, and as such if we
view them, Life passes in less un
pleasantness than it otherwise would
do. Mr Everett I have not heard lately
but he appears to me a very
kind letter to the last post and to
speak in high spirits and health.
The Exchequer I believe there is an

letter under these Vanitists and I be
sure my Brother too will not be
perfectly satisfied that Loyalty
will never be the Order of the Day with
him. When you come to Gmunden
I am most happy to see you, and give
you a quiet Day. Perhaps a View of
my Library. It will not be unpleasant
and I think you will say whether I
have been prudent or not is another Question;
that Reflection is not a bad one.
Amen I must hope by stating that my
wife I have got the best wife in the
world, and not grafted on the first Ho-
nour, and not grafted on the first Ho-
stance upon any Relation. Dates. Our
Valley who have examined it thought
they have exposed their Astonishment
at what I have written in the Short Space
of ten years. Were the Prince to Walk on
they would find a Consolation of Mutter
Wants shake not a few of them
I will now take my leave of you and
am

either marking the 1.1 or letting the
last the Postman is waiting here Wait
for no one, and as I am anxious the
my letter should get to you tomorrow
so I must conclude With assuring
you of the sincerity with which
I always am, and always shall be
Remain Dear Mr Bakewell Your Most Obedt
Feby. 9th 1821

[signature]

Dear Hughes

I was very sorry to learn by your letter that you had been so great an invalid and I was equally mortified to learn that the Leamington Waters had done you so little good as in general they are considered extremely beneficial for your complaint. It happened most fortunately that I was to dine with my brother the Duke of Clarence the very day that I received your enclosure for him which I therefore delivered immediately.

there was a numerous Company at Dresden so that he had not time to read your letter then, but he put it in his pocket and said he would return an answer probably by this time you will have heard from him as I have not seen him since. Next week I believe the Duke of Cumberland returns to Berlin. He is in very good health and I think say not the least altered in his appearance except that I fear that his eye sight is worse than it was but he denies every thing to conceal the misfortune I could I know what day you intend coming up. I should prefer to be in a hurry that we might meet together. I am at present very busy in entirely arranging for my Library which is engaged to a very enormous size. I have nearly completed my collection of Variorum Classics which I believe to be the most numerous that has ever been formed. Of Quarto and Octavo editions including the Greek as well as the Latin Authors I have nearly nine hundred volumes. In short my library is my great science & consequently occupies most of my attention

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When public duties call me
abroad and to tell the truth,
I find me in my fireside is
after all said and done
the most comfortable place.
as at least there peace and
Contentment are more easily
to be found than any
where else. Hoping to hear
that you are getting better
and trusting to see you
shortly I hope you come
up to town. Believe me
Dear Hughes ever
Very sincerely & affectly yours
Lansdowne
July 26th 1873

Augustus Frederick

My Dear Hughes

My Brother the Duke of Cumberland called in upon me yesterday afternoon to whom I mentioned your wishes relative to Mr Jephson. He said that he would write to you as this day and that he would urge this business as escape his recollection as he is no doubt very much hurried at present perhaps you would do well to not have a line stating that I had mentioned it to you

I went the other day to hear
Mr Simeon of whom so much
fuss is made at present.
In my humble opinion a good
deal more is said of him
than he deserves. Yet I cannot
deny that he fixed my atten-
tion so as to employ me the
whole time of the sermon which
lasted an hour and twenty
minutes. His appearance
is extraordinary & his gestures
singular but altogether I think
very little matter in the matter
and attended with a degree
of intolerance which does
not accord with my Xn. Creed
however this is only my
opinion and I may be mis-
taken. Mr Canning went twice
twice and seemed to be men
of distinguished talents, I cannot
he indeed have some merit
in my humble opinion.
On the 12th inst. the Sermon
for the first Stone of
the New Cadet College is to take place
the Speaker of the House
of Commons is to lay it in
the name of the King
who has appointed him
for that purpose. I have
as a Trifle Mean Subscribed
Fifty Guineas but
shall not go there although
invited. I expect Pd
down up tomorrow but I
understand he is only to

be a bird of passage. I will
now take my leave of you
and remain Dear Hughes
Very sincerely Yours &c
Kensington Palace
August 1st 1823

Augustus Frederick

[? Jan. 16/1824]

Dear Hughes

Upon returning to Town I found you had been so kind as to call upon me. I wish I could see you and talk to you on a Subject I want to serve you if We can be any thing to serve you. Hereafter for which purpose a little conversation might be of use especially as Prince Augusta is coming to Town and I have promised if any thing can be granted not to leave it. She can be of use to you. We will do it. Once I am old and have always found that a Dinner is the best Way of settling business. If you will then fix a day for which purpose I shall be Prince or your to dine I shall be most happy to see you and talk over Lord Liverpool or Letter of Sir Saml. for last

I am to dine here Wednesday the 21st
Thursday the 22d & Friday the 23d. &
have on the Subject that I may
Inform you of Friendly
Kensington Palace
Friday Morning

Christian Frederick

1823 watermark

Dear Hughes

I am extremely concerned to learn so unfavourable an account of the state of your health. You have sent me a good deal in the course of your letter, which I received yesterday morning, & I am very sorry that the circumstance of Sir Thos. being detained at the Pleasure which I had proposed to myself of having you to dinner. I shall be very glad to receive you whenever it may be perfectly suited to your convenience. It would be quite impossible for me to receive you on Tuesday or Wednesday, as I am to be at a Committee of Commons that very day, which seems to accumulate upon me. Believe me Dear Hughes very sincerely yours

Kensington Palace
Jany. 19th 1824.

Adolphus Fredk.

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Dear Hughes

In answer to your letter received this morning I have just to state that since the 13th of January I have not heard directly from my Mother the Duchess of Cambridge who at that time expressed her great anxiety for the loss of my poor Brother Frederick and mentioned the complaint of her health. Since that time I have certainly had a report that she has been very seriously indisposed, but I have not seen the first intelligence of her indisposition which has been received in a letter from the Hanoverian Envoy, which letter states that she had contracted an inflammation of the lungs for which she had been cupped / and that this had ceased. The Duke of Cambridge in the last letter of the 13th instant from Hanover says that he has not thought it necessary to mention it to me lest it should alarm me. The letter contains an extract from one of the Duchess's letters at Hanover. Upon Sunday Yesterday at St James's Still I have not heard from the Duchess or Mr Cambridge that the Duchess

Lord Wellesley to the King but that there was no letter
from the Duke. That I have long been
anxious to the departure of the Post I will add
a Postscript. The fever by which I have been very
dangerously ill with an inflammation of the
lungs, from which I am now recovering, and since
the funeral I have not been out of my Room
for upwards of five weeks. The season has been
so uncommonly severe that I have not been able
at all to attend to business. What we suffered at the
funeral, being exposed for upwards
of an hour to the most severe frosty, is beyond description.
However I hope that as the Wind is
changed and that there was a new moon that
the King will be free from the Gout.
Believe me Dear Sir
Your most faithful
Richd Talbot
July 26th 1827

Copy of a letter from the
Duke of Gloucester to Sir Wm Knighton
Written by the King on the Duke
the Duke was taken ill at Windsor

Dear Hughes

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Although your letter of the 17th not came to hand safely still I was unable to read it untill yesterday. It found me in your Native Country where I have been residing for upwards of two months hastily on a Visit to your Name-Sake who is a great friend of mine and who has been visited with a great Family Loss, and for the present indefinitely which has kept me longer here than I intended. My Departure from London was delayed three Weeks by illness

and Scarlatina came down here before
I was entirely recovered.Ever
With Exercise I kept the enemy
off for a month but at last it
got to fast hold of me and I
was confined three weeks, they
sped Room: when recovering from
the Rheumatism. I was seized
with what is called in this
neighbourhood the Eye Ague
and for ten days I have been
very great sufferer, the Medical
to the Attendance of Dr Pettet of Reading
advises, for Pettet of Reading
who has been kind in my
Case & been personally
attentive, I am now getting round
again but I have undergone very
severe Discipline Scarlatina Leaches
and Doses of Arsenic

and the Future which I have
suffered I am not decided. Co.
ein ten days almost in utter
Darkness unable to read or
Write, and having become very
deaf I am not enjoying
Pleasure of being read to: so that
I really have had a most
unhappy time of it. But
I take this Visitation
consider all as Warnings intended to wean
and designed to prepare me for our Call
and to prepare me for the hour
Direction; and in this point
of View what can be better calculated
for such a purpose? If Repine
by Pettet of the Sin and Folly
and of Relation and the Vanity of this Life be
the Pleasant

shall leave it as it will with much
less regret: at least I have taught
myself to think, and get con-
sented to life in any
and at all times of life in any
way, but I think I shall always
be a very uncertain sensitive
consequently do a great deal
confining myself to do good
are [illegible] the Girls as far and
can: With respect to your
commendation I will attend
write to Joy or tomorrow
Collegiens. Who has after
have made two or
and me in haste
[illegible] seven days. But I
can afford you. I will do it
with pleasure. You can not
have known a better friend than
Sir Cabel my

is a Place in himself, of Great
Weight, and a most friendly
man. This is a most beautiful
Day and although you are
so much taking London
for Good looking at the Hours
Joys and looking at the Hours
of Smoky Sooty Smoke We are enjoying
fine Verdure and Sweet Air with
a beautiful View of the sea!
Would Would you come in Some
longer but as Some as Some
Short enough to Have
Bell Stay for Here to Allay
having a Visit in my Boy
to Lord Grosvenor for a Couple
of Days. You happiness here
comes in this Very Moment
~~to see an~~
~~whom Stay to Stay~~
~~few Days~~

a Son ill near the Sea Side. the
other having been called here
I was suffering from the
effects of a Cold & Sore Throat
which have been but I hope
in the course of a few days
that he will return his
Visit. Should Parliament
be called together earlier I
may be forced to come up
sooner than I intend. other
wise I do not further
in London or rather at Kew
till after the 20th or 22nd
of January. I shall hope
when I come up that
you are then at home & that
you will give me a Call. I want
to talk over Mr Pitt's affairs
I am sorry I no longer can
Cheer. God bless you
Dear Hayter Yours sincerely
and affectionately
Kennel Park
St Asaph
Nov 27th
1877.

Augustus Frederick

P.S. Since writing the above
Dr Kenicombe has called on me
he is going to have a Wheel
fitted to the Chair & is exactly
and he says that there is no Re
son why I should not go
down to you

My Dear Hughes I fear I can give you
Yours Sincerely
no Letter of the Appointment of
your Friend, as I know that it was
written, tho' it is too Instances and
fear, but I will do what I can
for you at the Admiralty as I am frightened
Dr. all of them. There: for the Number
Your letter & that part of the Chamber
letter which refers to his Services while
I return you the remainder. If the
Duke hasn't exactly what he wants
Will endeavour to serve him as well
as I can; but you know how difficult
there are
there can not chose for themselves. The
more I can only promise to do my best
for Your Sincerely faithfully & R. Keppel
which shall be the Case as soon as I
hear from you. Since I indorsed the
Mem. Lord Howe at

the place where I have been confined
ever since with an affection of the
throat not dangerous but very troublesome
I am however getting better and our
Brother Ernest with whom I send
I enclose may assure you promised me
that if the weather continues as
fine as it has been for the last
forty eight hours that tomorrow he
will let me out. I hear nothing at
tendinger happen. I propose coming
up to London on the 19th Instant
as the King leaves Brighton on the
21st of this month & that the Queen pro-
poses keeping her Birthday on the
24th that is the Duke of Cambridges
Birthday. Since we have met I have
been down again into the Principality
of your native Place, and there I met
with your nephew who is a pleasant
jovial Scotch man. He says when
he comes to town next he will see
you & I know you will be glad
to see him. I have taken a house
by Library to advantage as I have
been with the King upwards of long
enough to be by apartments. Something
dead as the Report of them for
six months. I send on my return
to London I have taken a small
house in Oxford Street, where I
propose remaining until I can get
into Kensington Palace again which
I shortly believe will be the case
before the end of the month of May.

This Morning I had a letter from the
Duke of Cambridge who writes in
very good Spirits he has been to Get
Tingen as well as to other parts
of the Hanoverian Dominions where
Things Are become more quiet
His Boy is here and in the im-
mediate Care of the King and Queen
He is much improved since his
Arrival in this Country and become
Much more Forward Was
God. The Duke of Cambridge Was
here for a Day and return again
last Monday. The Duchess and the
Boy Who is a very fine Lad are still
here but return to Gunnersbury on
Thursday. how Good Was you Yesterday
Pray believe me With great Sincerity
Your ever
Royal Pavilion
Brighton
Feby. 6th 1831
Adelaide Frederica

My Dear Master

at all times it afords me happiness and pleasure to Wize you and although I fear for Twining is no great admirer of Rushing Principle. Still I will be delighted to Wize him on your account and it is all I will to have Wrote said for me on this side

of the Question. I will therefore send this Note under Cover to Mr Anning as you desired me since the late Division in the House of Lords I have been confined to my House but am now quite fit for the business when the Contest will be renewed. Excuse I am in the extreme on the Subject

for I know what must inevitably be the Result if the Bill be thrown out, the Duke of Br. the Ministers will not do. People neither will look at it, or trust him, or for some time if not certain. It will be to the last what a Melancholy Endowment for all. I know he is not quite consistent with your Opinions or therefore I am fearless in writing them but I am so full of the Subject

They are likely

that I can think of nothing do
I hope that you are well and
Nemberg has promised me
to bring you out to me of
his consequences. I think
you will admire my Apart
ments upon which I have
received myself, but they
are as they should be very
God bless you my Dear
Brother your affect. Sister
Victoria
Kensington Palace
April 26th
1832

My Dear Mother

This morning I found the paper which I had promised you so long that I fear you might with justice have accused me either of forgetfulness or neglect; neither of which Buccleuch where you are concerned, for my attachment and esteem for you are as sincere as they are unbounded.

Should you by Way of exercise come out any Day this Way I should feel very happy to see you

Believe me Dear Mother Ever sincerely yours

Kensington Palace
Sunday Morning

Frederick