

H. H. to Hered Princes of Brunswick

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Dear Sister

As the Hereditary Prince's letter came under your cover I send the answer through the same channel. Many seem most willingly to have swallowed all the false Prophecies that have been spread, and therefore to be rather surpris'd at the success of my Troops. They have with as little reason been astonish'd that ^{Transports} were not ready for all the forces, but if these Reasoners were at all conversant in Naval Affairs that 2 or 3 might say 300. Sail of Merchant Vessels without putting a total stop to Trade can not be assembl'd in three months; in sea they were which has amazed even those who are not willing to allow that any thing can be done right. You may be sure that when any thing material occurs I shall without loss of time communicate it. 'Tis the taking of New York I have every reason to credit it, though no letters are yet arriv'd from that place. I remain

Lucas House
Nov. 1. 1776.

Dear Sister
Your most affectionate Brother
George J.

