June 1804

(360)

Sir

I am under promise to my mother to trouble you with a few lines in confidence concerning She may not be committed but she thinks it right to inform you that her distress is very great at the Kings talking of taking away the Child from my Brother & the French for the They both may have their faults concerning it She is of opinion that at this moment it would do considerable mischief & be a cause for to

occasion many an unpleasant thing between the Ld & the Prince besides the world who have ever attacked the Queen concerning the Poor cup may think it is some intrigue of Ours therefore she wishes you to get that totally stopped for the she has taken an opportunity of telling Her Majesty that the world would blame her & hoped he would not take it that she could have nothing to do with the Child. it has had no effect & it must come from those who have more power – I will speak with you when we have time candidly on the business & tell you all I think I said which I think you will approve – but at present it appears to be so much on Her mind that he told me he should employ Lady Ilchester to find proper people for the child this must remain between us but I cannot help remarking it is a very odd thing that he should wish a person to settle this who he scarcely knows – I am again to express to you how deeply we all feel our obligations to the

no one stronger than

Your Friend

E.

June 28

1864

[June 1804]

(361)

I did not like troubling G. R. H with another letter till I had somewhat to communicate from my interview with the L^d C^r. I must say there seems to be no disposition in him to make the worst of the question relative to the Royal Child, but there seems to be a very considerable misunderstanding as to the situation of the question at present. I believe it is coming from what H. M. had allowed to transpire at various times that it was now before the Law Officers of the Crown & that they w^d probably give such an opinion as w^d force the Prince into a reference to the Twelve Judges. Such is not the state of the Business at this moment, but as I understand the L^d C^r it is only before the Cabinet in order that they / the members of the Cabinet / shd

be prepared by timely reference to the
Law Officers of the Crown. What will be the
most expedient to recommend H. M. to
command to be taken if any act
of the C. of W. demonstrate a resistance
to the K's Pleasure relative to the Child
all that is meant therefore by the
C. being drawn into a reference to the
Judges is that if he does not acquiesce
in the K's wish such advice will be
given as will make it necessary unavoidable for the question of right to be
agitated by the 12 Judges but as far
as I can collect it seems the anxious
wish of the Ld Chancellor as well as of the

Cabinet that an understanding should take place if possible between H. M. & the P. without any legal discussion or opinion this I think very practicable tho' we know that the P. has repeatedly declared that he will not allow the Child to live with her Mother at Windsor, or in London, are these events likely to come to pass? than if there is a disposition for reconciliation & good understanding they anticipate grievances & objections & before they exist stipulate against them? Pray pray consider this reasoning quite private for you know the P. has advisers in all respects superior to me but it certainly

is my opinion that it will be quite time enough to complain of or object to any part of the care management or education of the Child when just grounds of displeasure shld arise in the mind of His R. H. Lord

Till then ——

June 1804

(362)

The Queen commands me to say to you that she thinks it her Duty to represent to you that the Alterations & schemes are certainly not diminished every thing regarding Windsor she will most readily entertain but she thinks Weymouth Worcester & Eton should be mentioned at present, & that it should be merely stated to Her Majesty that he must give up Weymouth for fear, by it, might wrong him. The idea is as strong as ever about number Three which will certainly occasion much talk & the plans for fêtes so extensive that it would be a blessing to know that it

would be — She thinks that if you are again so good as to see the L^d C^r & Mr S — H you may make them see the necessity of making the D^e. shew the P^e — what risks he runs if he overheats & fatigues himself & recommend a Q. M. to remain at present here I mean Rev, for if he goes to Windsor we shall have music, bandery, & such numbers of people about that it quite alarms us — Tho the great change within these last few days has been most wonderful & the Queen says that the longer we can remain here the sooner he will grow — She went so far as to talk of the great secret

then which is supposed to release him — & we can only see that as he regains his strength he will drop many things which worry him now

Thus far I have read to the Queen & now must add a few lines from myself. which are to tell you I found a good opportunity for some conversation when we came home & was able to say to Her that my father was in the situation of a sick child & must be humoured in trifles, so that any thing that would make him cease to be of others feeling for him would please I was certain

She answered You are perfect
by right & I understand you
& will promise to do my
best & will be contented if
he wishes to go to the Great
Lodge to make up my mind
to any thing that will please
it has given me so much va-
lid pain I could not help
writing this down for fear
private can pray take no
notice & as she has suffered
so much from the heat I
told her I was sure if she
would be present it to the
Ly Tuesday he would let
her off to morrow morning
a Morning Ko & go in her
sleep which she has said
she would — Yrs Friend
June 25th 1844 E.

1804

(363)

Sir

I cannot help troubling you with these as my Mother wishes you to know that she certainly thought after the mornings walk my Father was more harassed both in body & mind – & has fidgetted up & down the whole day this afternoon was in beyond all discription for we really not dare to set during the walk but when we came home Weymouth was never out of her thoughts in constant – this evening he was quiet for he slept the whole evening but when he walked up frightened twice or three times he was out of humour & very

unknown when she was going away
She told my Mother that Mr
Dr has spoke to Prevent her ordering
many things he had already be
spoke for beyond what that
She was determined not to do
what was desired & and have
gone unlike herself this
was thought right should
know as I assure you one &
all agree the plans & scheme
have been unsuitable to day
The sooner we this can be
prevented the better

June 20th 1864

Yrs Sincerely

The Marchioness
Ely
Windsor
Berks

[? June 1804]

Windsor Castle

Dear ——

I have obeyd Her Majesty's commands respecting the letters entrusted to my charge — They were received with that degree of respect, attention, and consideration which were due to their contents — If Her Majesty wd. be pleased to fix at what time it wd. suit her convenience to grant an audience to the Person to whom I delivered them, he will not fail tomorrow to obey her Majesty's commands — but he charged me to take an opportunity to frequently the strictest secrecy in the present state of affairs as a contrary line of conduct might immediately be productive of unpleasant circumstances to the

I shall not get back till October

I shall try to make three months absence, the less I can
have the better, I shall have the camps and then the
hare hounds, and that they may go on without me
I must execute the same commission wh. Kings
formerly did, I shall then have no trouble about
parliament or other business — for they may prorogue or call it together under that commission
He then detailed
the form of the Regency granted to Queen Caroline
and the manner they (on his expression) resigned it again which he said
Baron Eyre reminded him of

[July 1804]

Madam —

[illegible]

[illegible]

The communication which I have received from your Royal Highness ~~has~~ could not fail of producing in my mind the warmest feelings of gratitude for the confidential disposition which is marked towards me ~~from such a quarter~~ ~~from every motive~~ ~~my service~~ my services will ever be cheerfully devoted to Her Majesty's commands ~~and expressed~~ and nothing can make me more happy than ~~[illegible]~~ flattering myself that I give satisfaction ~~in the~~ execution of them. The greatest circumspection & secrecy seems necessary on the present occasion ~~[illegible]~~

and if such a line of conduct is rigidly attended to
points of ~~great importance~~ much moment towards the ~~re~~establishment
of one ~~to~~ whom we ~~are~~ all ~~most anxiously devoted~~ so cordially revere
~~to me~~ may be brought about – ~~I must intreat Your R. H.~~
~~pardon for urging~~ ~~the truth~~ Every ~~private argument~~
~~or~~ concern of my own, shall be subservient to the intimation
W^h I have received ~~that I~~ ~~to~~ ~~of~~ that further my attendance may
be approved of but I humbly submit to Your R. H.
whether you do not think the intermission of
two or three days at a time may be very politick
occasionally on His Majesty's Lodging business or any
other matters W^h may at my return introduce
new topics ~~that~~ without fear of weighty importance
May I presume to suggest that ~~matters~~ too much
compliance to what is extraordinarily out of the
practice of the Royal Family at other times can
answer no

good purpose but in my humble opinion quite the
contrary what I wish to allude is H.M. standing nothing
or remaining in the carriage to an insupportable
degree of fatigue
~~W. I am sure H.M.~~ and there is nothing more
to be lamented than the public stops W. are sometimes
made in the presence of those who are unworthy
to be call'd good subjects. - There are two or three
other points of ~~great importance~~ some consequence W. your R.H. has
been graciously pleased already to allow me to submit my
sentiments upon I mean L. & P. - The journey to
Weymouth and the Physicians having approv'd
my idea I will only say that I shall not lose
a moment in forwarding the wishes of the R. ~~H. I am~~
~~their faithful~~ those who are best able
to direct from the knowledge they possess of the illustrious
personage concern'd - With every sentiment of
Profound deference & respect
I remain Madam Y.r Devoted Servant

Madam

Ma

July 1805

Sir

I have been talking with my Mother & she commands me to say that the subject of the Op dwells much upon her mind not that she thinks my Father in any sense wrong about the Child for she thinks that both Father & Mother have so neglected her that something ought to be done, but what ever is done should be managed in a manner not to make the breach greater than it now unfortunately is & that she should have nothing to do with her, not that it is not from wanting in affection towards the Child but the dread of being blamed either by one side or the other I mention privately say to you I think my Mother has been unfairly and unnecessarily the Op for she has never allowed privately or to me to say any thing against her, but in confidence I must

tell you that the Dss of Brunswick sent
my Father word when the Ds came
"if you say to Caroline you are to do such
"a thing you will succeed with her but
"if you say pray do it it will never do."
& when my Sister was with my
Aunt she told her "I wish Caroline
would never succeed in England for she
has been from childhood the most
headstrong creature living & what has
saved her has been the P. manner
so in that she is lucky — This is not
written with any Idea of ill nature
I give you my honour, but it would
be injurious to me when you are
so good as to speak confidentially to
you that I should not be thus with
you — You will also permit me to
remark that we are all of opinion
that Mrs Pitts excellent & peculiar
manner with my Father has great
effect & that when she is with him
if she would hint that what he says

proceeds from Affection as such as we feel it would have double weight & would be by no means certain that doing any thing unkind by my Brothers would have a bad effect at this moment in the world, as she has all the right of her side & my Brothers all the wrong it might stop many of these schemes which are in agitation — Poor Prince Leiningen yesterday she tells us he has taken some Medicine this I merely mention from what passed to me the other evening & my Mother says that Mr Pitts visit has had a very good effect they must not be put off & then the great Ball & Eleu made the Residence for the next two months for Windsor is intolerably too public — & we are all sure that she perfectly well knows that she is not an object

he should be by his giving into this
manner of leaving us quietly —
I must make you an excuse for
troubling you with this but believe
me no one feels the friendly part
you are taking by this family more
than I do —

Yours truly

July 1st
1844

July 4 1804

(367)

My Mother approves Your plan perfectly & commands me to say that She wishes You would explain that being under Off. Quality how to show Your letter which She could only have communicated by letter from Her nerves being so shaken she had sent for You & begged You as a friend to the family that You would take it to Mr Pitt & tell him She trusted to Him as a friend nothing He would do his best on this most interesting

ing subject & by when She shews
the letter to the King that She
would in the strongest terms
express her admiration & devo-
tion for His Majesty &
Her affection as a Mother
but the feelings so strongly ca-
lled forth on the present occa-
sion & the fear of hurrying
Her Majesty & Her State
being under the care of the
Cabinet She would not feel
justified to bring forward any
thing which might rise
some agitation
soon, to the Strong excitable
Heart — She feels well knows
the Style of person & Ma-
nner of Mr Peel & doubts

not that under this circumstances
Her prayer may succeed —
She wishes you to add that
the letter to Mrs Addington
has occasioned so much
distress that she thought
it best not to trouble Mrs
Pitt with a letter but begs
you your friendship to say
the most friendly right for
Her I write in such
haste I am ashamed to
send this pray have my
mothers letter which first
as it is better to be in any
hand than your friends
July 4th

W. A.

when you have done with the P.
letter my Mother wishes it to
be returned through you ought
she or ought she not to send the
original?

[1804] (368)

To H.R.H. July

I have appointed an interview with Mr P. tomorrow at Eleven – His assistance is of such importance to the point we wish to attain that I hope Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to allow me to hear his sentiments on the very important subject already entrusted to his consideration. I have entire reliance upon his zeal, honour & disinterested feelings that if he cannot be essential service I am certain that it is far removed

from his quiet mind to do them.
but I must humbly beg leave to state
that he will have just cause
to ~~complain~~ be hurt if the confidence
I have been plaid in him is
now hastily withdrawn without ever
receiving his sentiments upon it.

To Pr. G. July

I much lament not having an interview with Her Majesty or your Royal Highness on a subject of the greatest possible importance & in wh. I have presumed to use my utmost exertions to bring about — However ~~that~~ as ~~not~~ there does not seem a moment ~~seems~~ to be lost for Her Majesty ~~to receive~~ avail herself of the favorable manner in wh. the letter has been received, I will by leave humbly to submit ~~to state~~ wh. it strikes me that the turn Her M.s next conversation on the subject might take, namely that if the reconciliation be ~~permitted~~ effected Faction would be in a manner annihilated, the hands of Government of course considerably strengthened & the confidence of Foreign Powers greatly encreased, besides that to so religious & affectionate a Disposition as that of His Majesty's the receiving a ~~repenting~~

So acting up to the ~~Line~~ Spirit of Princes Letter must be highly gratifying ~~not only to His Majesty~~

I had written thus far when I rec.d the honor of Y.R.H.'s letter (½ past 20 clock) wh.ch I conceive ought to have come much sooner I must say that having brought this great Event even this present point makes me feel more proud of myself than at any other moment of my life God grant that we may live to see it Completed in a permanent & sincere

manner — Pardon the
hasty effusion of the heart

of Y. R. Hs most devoted
Servant

I only waited till I had the honor of some commands
from Y. R. Hs to write to Mr G.

July 6 1804

(370)

Sir I have this moment communicated your wishes to My Mother who commands me to express how sensible She is of your attention & the Zeal you have shown on this occasion but upon mature consideration She orders me to say that now that Mr Pitt is acquainted that this letter is come & having sent to Sheridan

that it would be a wicked
thing shewing the letter
herself in the carriage
& that if the Kings say
any thing She would en-
treat him to take no
step till She has spoken
to Mrs Bett on the sub-
ject. She takes one that
the Kings honour &
jealousy of her writing
a common note to a
Minister was making
unhappy therefore
at present She dare
not venture it if you
can get the letter back
then covering it send it
me either late to night
or before eight o'Clock
to morrow morning
She would be much obliged
to you & relies on your
Mr Bett honour never
to say she has seen the
letter & tries to give
that She would not be
either displeased or
angry with the fact
She is writing —

I send this with a
request of your sending off
immediately for the
letter

Yours
Yours
Yours
Yours

Alexandra Queen
of Greece

July 6 1804

(371)

My Mother wishes me to say to You that She is very anxious to know what Mr P will do, & hopes when he has shewn the letter to the Ld C that He will say to Mr. that He supposes He will speak to the Queen on the subject that She may be the person to write to my Brother as She thinks that will please him — & as She is afraid of making any mistake She wishes to know if the Queen asks her who She sent to Mr Pitt that She may say knowing her opinion of You she had desired You to take the Letter

to Mrs Pitt as she had no doubt she could trust, & having said that after all the various letters had received to this family she thought it better to put it into hands, she was sure of sympathising — besides which she was so unfeignedly affected with my Brother's letter from Rio never having been so much shook this year that she could not possibly have given it to Her Majesty — If he ask when she saw Victor she will say whilst he was at dinner the letter not having arrived till then & that she had instantly seen

from Victor —

You will have the goodness merely to write us a message whether it will be best the Duke should come to morrow & say whether you will have the goodness to beg Mrs Pitt to say that to the Queen concerning my Brother writing to the Prince —

Your friend

July 6th
1864

Sir
Honble George Villiers

July 8 1804.

(372)

I am commanded to say to you by my Mother that the letter is safe in her hands. She will find a teacher of whatever sort of work she knows of there is any thing you wish her to say at the time & if Mrs P. had an hour to spare with concerning the letter that she could in any way do —

You know my Father's mind is so much bent on long work as ever & that he talks of going there in a fortnight & he has certainly mercenary lord the papers that were given him I wish trust in God that some

many may be taken to task
off for I fear you the anxiety of mind & body is
too much for human
nature to stand & one & all
heartily agree that he
certainly is not in a state
to go but that is for Your
self I wish You could manage to see B—n & talk it
over with Stein I think it
would show you what I
say is true I own I begin
to think that many of the
particular subjects of
complaints are able Ros
but at present concealed.
& but in mind of Your
have an opportunity to
ask You a question concern
ing a neighbour which
might do good if put into the
head

I remain
yours
J. N. Freed

You will write me a line
in answer to this wish
you have the goodness

July 8th
1804

July 10 1804

(373)

Sir

I think it my Duty to inform You as I could not have the pleasure of seeing you how grieved I was to hear my Father's conversation yesterday morning, & had it it been in my power you would have been troubled with this before, I must tell You frankly that many things You think are mere talk You may depend upon it will be put in practice for instance, it is not only to be hoped but Wyatt he has declared he will not remain one hour at the Lodge after he gets there, & that he fully intends settling in the Castle without any of his family for the present, as we cannot move till we come from Weymouth, & his bed is not to be ready in the Apartment till

he is upon the spot to see it moved himself — this brought on a conver=sation with regard to my brother, She told me he hoped the world knew if was my brothers work he was no more with them; "I believe further that is a mistake;" certainly not, why did she make one of her ladies sleep in the room? I thought it bet=ter to say it was my fault, but because she wished me to be in her room, but never quitting her during the day, the anxiety & watching of the night I could not get through, tho' I remained in the next room, "It is very wrong but you are made to say so," "I am not but if I am to speak I must speak the truth" She asked me millions of other questions, & finding I was not coled by exaggerating what I had originally said, but

there is one very good reason why I shall certainly not return to the D.'s room & that is I hate London, & if I was with her I never would allow her to go. that, she would dislike, & now she may go when she pleases. You may suppose this argument was so bad a one, & I feared he got so heated I had better say no more, but when I returned it gave me an opportunity of speaking very candidly to my Mother, & telling her that I had taken what he had taken as ill on myself, for it was better that his displeasure should fall on me than on Her, but that for her own sake I thought it was necessary the D. should be out right on this subject, as the world would blame her exceedingly

She ended with saying that I should always be my friend & confidant, but I may have other friends — ~~[illegible]~~ the a great deal more praised which is too long for this letter, in the evening the Lord Sophia about dy P. — I said if we did not always been every civility in the world & the greatest attentions. She would never forgive any of us to his dying day, this struck her not a little & has disturbed her beyond what You can imagine, we agreed this must not be told my Mother, for we worked her up in the morning to see things more seriously for her own interest, I proceeded with her to alter her manner, for that she certainly was sensible of her rudness — I went through with

it, because it was my duty but
never in my life had I so difficult
a part to play of all sides —
I understand some of the servants
say her schemes are not any
more, which God knows we
are fully sensible of, he told me he
intended taking L — & me in
to her service, & the German Esta-
blishment for Wagner's is now
completed — & that he intended
to be there in a fortnight — what
alarmed me most was his go-
ing back to the day he was taken
ill, on Saturday so bad, & said Provi-
dence shut the door & Provi-
dence opened the door just when
they ought to be opened — violent
upon all the Physicians — & in
praising himself very differently
to from what he does when in
health — Spoke of my Brothers

letter, & said it was bad, & that was the manner in which he always got round my Mother, & spoke unkindly of her for a few minutes but that was soon over, & of course buried in my breast, for I would not have it known by her for worlds —

I think this is the chief substance of all that passed, but I cannot help saying what grieves me that at this moment my Father (I am sorry to add) must be put in a fright, for if he is writing on he fears he is unwell, if not he runs on as she knows not what he says — only think of this in my public place! God knows it does frighten me —

It really is shocking the length it has gone, but I trust to Your

forgive it I thought ale their of
the much consequence for Ge
to be ignorant, of, place the fault
may do to the Sheas not the Sheas
for that is marked here not
withstanding the heels — God
will be done — but we are in a
melancholy state believe me

Your Ever Fond
Jeany 11th
Victoria

What do you say to my Father
telling Sophia that the Surgeon
was his friend, & was carrying
on ale their business between
Him & Sy P —

The Honorable
George Pitt

Aug^st 1804

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Sir

My Mother commands me to tell you she is of opinion that nothing has as yet been said about keeping with the she thinks it may be depending for Sir H Neale tho my Father the Books would not be ready before the the week after next however she is uneasy She is so alarmed for fear of this doing any thing that that can be taken ill — that for you to think over & the same reason holds good if we would not go last year how can we this however we hear some thing may happen to prevent it — Some conversation has passed about the subject more interesting to us but as there

is to be done till my Father here:
you see Mr Cl— & Mr P— be
upon it that is all I know & the
confidence you have so kindly
shown me made me very anxious
to communicate what I knew
Privately I own that I think
B— is very uneasy about my
Father I wish you could have
some talk with him — Mr Clay
even owned he did not think
him so well the day before yes-
terday & that was a wonderful
thing for him to say — who
never will allow any thing
about him

Yrs Sincerely

July 12th
1841

The Stranbee
George Villiers

July 18 1854

Sir

I have received the Queen's command to inform you privately for Your own & the L^d C's knowledge that my Father was much agitated on receiving Her letter he called my Mother out of the room & told her of it & said I will see the Pp first, then it will not as he fear it may hurt my Brother & do mischief. He spoke angrily at first but my Mother advised Him to forget it sooner & to look upon him as lost & found again. This affected him much. He then said that he was angry my Brother had said in his letter that the Pp should have nothing to say about the Cloak he would not start Wed & he ought to be authorised. The L. would

promised to be civil. He answered I would
have her love without, but will give
her no assurance, if you do that?
how can you prevent it? He said
he would as soon had wrote to tell
the Ld Chancellor that he would be
Man first — then you will have the
goodness in consequence to tell the L^d
C — if possible for he must know
what you may believe we are all
in an agony that this reconciliation should be over — for to telegraph
Whether Pio is better than
morning over anxiety then never
been quelled for an hour since we
saw Mon & I assure you I have
enough to say to you on a-row with
literally racks my brain when I
think of it I have done my best
yet fear I have not succeeded &

hope for Mamma's sake. I never was
so wretched in my life, & upon Your
Mind not the least of a Quaker in general I see so black — that my heart
bleeds — for I cannot bear to see hap-
piness so close — & pushed away in
a manner not to be borne by a reas-
onable being — Never such a trial
as never was gone through before
I do believe — I must finish
with the tenth of my very Good.
wife not mine be done" but I have
the — the schemes are the same
& had Prudence or Reason Yesterday
your good heart could not have
stood it for God sake do Your best
to get the meeting over — Don't
think me contrariness if I say that
it would be no bad plan the Ds Co.
being there when the meeting takes

Where I hear the Lords should bring
my Brothers from the Isle of to
my mother at Marlborough House
P. & Mr Brunswick will have
arrived

I remain
Your
Affn Son
Albert

July 18th
1854

July 18 1804

(376)

Sir

You wished to hear how we proceed
cannot say comfortably I am sorry that
Pitton Wednesday & so determined about
sending Carlisle from my Father in law
that we were very much alarmed
being sensible that if she did so it would
be all over with my Brother
however he now says he will not
& dare not do it like the Dragoon
he goes to Exeter to morrow to hack
with the Pointers for the Castle &c and
down at his saddles whether to
go to Weymouth by the Yacht in
short great heavy dike continues
& dissatisfaction against Frederick
who he abuses constantly — I
believe he is a cheat to him which
he feels — I was stopt from com-
municating this, therefore write send
it by the Post Boat lest money

here it safe —
Our walk went off quieter tho' the
day some hopeful remain I fear
would without some kind hand
supports us for the Castle is to
be inhabited & he is so much wrapped
up in it he are sole of opinion
that promises may do much
& that if my Father is told any
change may cause much talk
it will alarm him which I be
lieve is the only thing now it
proves one to say so but it is
the truth — He talks of settling
immediately about Wrymouth
& means if he can to set out the
day fortnight but not till he
has seen some friends here —
I hope you found Queen Charlotte
well & that we shall have the
pleasure of seeing both Dear
& Mrs Williams as well as we

with
you on Wednesday & Saturday

Yr sincere friend

July. 18th
1864

Sunday 10th

Q.E.

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Augt 1804

(377)

Sir

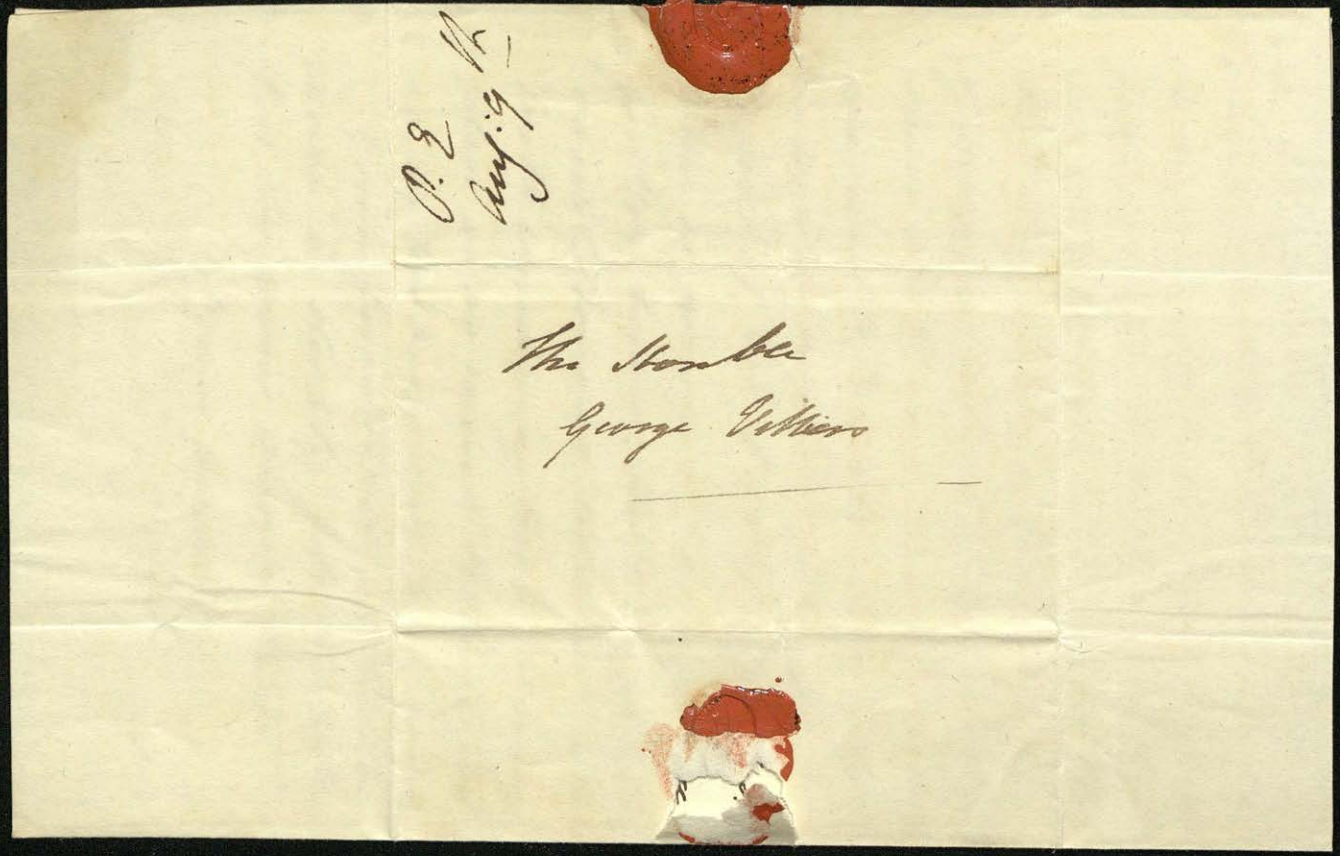
My Mother desires me to thank you for your kind manner of letting her know Sir L Milmans opinion which she commands me to say she so far agrees in, as Brown is no more with the King, she lives in agony for fear of mischief & no power of getting at any medical assistance for tho the Dr may be of little use now, while the King is in awe of Stein. the reason why she is so alarmed is that Sir L. told her but yesterday, he should for the future live in a state of falsehood & neither tell truth to the Dr or his Gentlemen by which means he should be able to follow his own plans, what he was quietly doing now, & told Mary this morning that she had no idea

How forward all his Schemes were already but that nobody knew. She commands to add that She far from wishes to meddle but that her state of anxiety is great for that there is an appearance of cunning which frequently shews itself in a most painful manner to her, it is her Duty as well as ever to submit to the will of God but of all appearance is away we are undone for You know the present favorite Servant will not take truth concerning him & my plan is as much determined on in her own mind as ever.

Your friendship on this occasion is deeply felt by all but by none more than

Your friend

August 9th
1804



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The Stockbe
George Cathcart

August 10 1804

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Sir

I have just been sent for by my Mother who has informed me that she wishes me in confidence to let you know that she has just heard from London that Sir L Milman has been outvoted & Sir L Pepys has prevailed that Mr Dr is to quit the P. - entirely & has proposed Dr Sheridan as the favourite with the King. health you know Sheridan Sir Lucas & therefore is convinced it is done with a view to Dr Mischief & putting the P. - into such young hands as Sheridan. She is sure that the P. will never be guided by him & in consequence lost - if you can manage

to see Mr P. before he goes the
Ld & that he should see Brown
it would be a bit of use she com-
manded me to say; what will
become of us. for my Mother
told me just now that after
the last illness when there
was an idea of Dr Abercrombie
attending the Ld she privately
& under the seal of secrecy
informed Her he would not
undertake it this she thinks
you ought to know. I never
saw her more wretched &
miserable as we every body
I own I tremble the schemes
this morning have been ter-
rible & if his Dr goes he will
most likely stick to night
in the Castle & Weymouth he
does talk of

Your friend

August 10th
1902

My mother heard the last meet-
ing was without Mr Peel know-
ledge very likely this may be
so too if so there very likely
nothing ought to be heard of
his

Alexandra
Aberg. Schloss

(379)

August 24 1804

My dear Mr Wilson

As I promised you a few lines I take up my pen to inform you we are landed safe after a long journey which I am sure you will be glad to hear we went off quite so not very without having but perfect good humour today is hardly fair to judge as he is delighted to be here but was complaining of having suffered much yesterday with violent pains in his stomach & feet but we did not know until this morning for I took the liberty of telling them I was he was in pain several times, he appeared in the

uniform of the Hussar Legion
this morning & intends wear-
ing the Hussar horse Guards
then coming home to dine at
Cowes the Sea uniform at
Dinner the Field Marshals
uniform & with the Hussar
his Dressed Sea uniform
this is merely a private
hint to show you that we
were certain he would do it
but altho that is a little vexa-
tious of the unnecessary but
as good humoured as he is
now she is so charmed with
Number three has made
us all go round to dry &
appears quite satisfied with
her journey & every thing

I took the Saturday when we got to Highfield to tell my Mother how very kindly he had spoken of her & how determined he was to make her happy & be upon the footing of an old friend & only wished her to receive him with a smile & enter into conversation I assured her if she would come into this it might be of the greatest consequence to him & her happiness & if I could do it I would speak to the Ladies & bring letters to her & you in talking & hoping to make the evening here pleasant without having had that talk I had the happiness of hearing her promise she would do what lay in her power & he then

twice said the journey had gone off to perfection than I think we shall leave town — She has been but one hour in bed & then got up from her Sofa to see the Hussars depart when he returned she came to Breakfast & has since walked with the L— & us upon the Esplanade —

Prussian has seen my Mother & spoke strongly to her now as I believe then she liked & has since been with me, I take them if she can not succeed how can I who have neither weight nor power, Yet I assure Victoria whatever age that I would come into anything, even I her that the blame might

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not fall on me — for I would
not bear self reproach —
I beg pardon for this long
hurried account — You will
have the goodness to burn it
when I ask you to believe
me with kind Comfort to
Your Children I love to the
Children

Wm Hf

Weymouth

August 24th

1824

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