

George III on 1. 9. 1786  
 Addl. MSS (Geo.) (Malortie)  
 Queen's House April 3<sup>d</sup> 1786.

My Dear Frederick, I cannot find words expressive enough of my approbation of your letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> of last month and the manner in which you have persuaded Colonel Malortie to take the Charge of my three youngest Sons. I can have no wish concerning them but to make them by a good education enabled to produce any talents they may possess, and as such become of credit to their Family and of utility to their Country.

From which motives I cannot object to Göttingen being preferred to Lünebourg; the difference of their age with that of Edward makes a solid reason for preferring the former. I therefore empower you to acquaint Colonel Malortie how much I approve of his letter to you as well as the pro Memoria containing his ideas of the plan that should be adopted for their Studies, the stile of their living and the Company they may keep at Göttingen.

I desire you with privacy try to hire an house for them, and if that cannot be accomplished on reasonable terms, that two contiguous houses may



be taken which may easily be communicated.

You are apprized that next to Malotie I mean to please Capt. Linsingen about them and with Malotie would look out for at least one officer more whose behaviour and morals can be depended on to attend them in their exercises; I would wish fairly to know whether Malotie thinks I had best if I can persuade one of their promptors to go for two years to finish their Classical Studies, or whether he thinks under the inspection of Professor Heine it will be better to find a person for that purpose at Göttingen. The reason I mention the term of two years is, that then I mean to take Augustus from the others and send him to sea; the other two will in Germany continue their Studies but will then be rid of the drudgery of the dead languages, as they will then profess them with ease and I could not engage an English Clergyman to stay longer than that out of his Country.

As to Servants I mean to send but one, who is a confidential Servant and by being used with their healths might, should either of them be ill, be a useful man, and that there may be no disputes



about Sable, I would propose he should have the care of their Cloaths and Linen and attend their Dressing, not wait at Sable and have good wages. He is conversant in French and Italian and very way a trusty servant.

I desire you will see that the Turpin Gumb be in a State to receive Edward and I will on your giving me notice of it, remove him thence; He will then be under your eye which will I am certain, be of great use to him; by what Lt. Col. Wangelheim has hinted to me, I believe he has a little forgot my injunction never to go out but with one of the gentlemen to accompany him; I have written to him on the Subject, which I am certain, will instantly restore that proper order, which when he comes to Hannover you will see, I am certain, the propriety of enforcing. The Servants that have attended Edward at Lunenburg except the two that I sent with him from hence, cannot be wanted when he is at Hannover. They will of Course be part of the family at Göttingen and I thrust among them one may be found to dress the hair of the Children.

I wish now on the plan of Göttingen not being



looked on as a Court, that Col. Melovio may under  
your inspection draw up a plan of the number of Servants  
necessary. I desire that for the present my ideas may  
be kept profubly secret, no one but the Queen is as  
yet apprized of it, except M. G. Grenville and Bude. I  
shall propose in June to send them over with Grenville,  
and they may either wait at Lunenburg or the Gahrde  
till Gattingen is ready to receive them. I ~~think~~ wish  
to know which of the two places Melovio thinks  
best as a waiting place, till Gattingen may be ready.  
Believe me ever

My Dear Frederick  
Your most affectionate Father  
George J.