

Dearest William

I have a Thousand
Thanks to return you for your kind and
affectionate Letter. I shall take the
greatest care of your Commissions as for
the sword I have ordered it and I hope it
will please you if it does not, only let me
know how you would chuse to have it
and I will take care, that it shall be made
according to your Orders, as for the list
of the different Regiments with their Uniforms

on the different services here, There are none
exact to be got, I will however get them
and have them corrected as well as possible
I am exceedingly happy to find that His
Majesty has ordered you to serve under Lord
Mood in the West Indies, but alas the
peace is made. However every Body talks
here of great preparations, which are
making as it is supposed that the Elector
Palatine can not live much longer, as
He has had a violent fit of the Apoplexy
So that We have every reason to hope that
We shall see some fun here very soon
There is also a report that the Russians
and Austrians mean to attack the Turks

I saw last Monday two English Merchants
who passed through here on their road to England
who said that before they left Petersburg
which was about three Weeks ago, the Empress
had sent two hundred and fifty Pieces of Cannon
towards the Crimea, This is all the News I
know and indeed it is a great Deal considering
the Quietness of this Place, when we never
hear ~~any~~ ^{any} thing before it is known all over
the rest of the World. We however pass our
time agreeably enough,

As I have nothing more to add
which can possibly amuse you, I shall
only repeat to you how very impatient
I am for the time when I shall see you

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Again, and be able to speak to You, by word of
mouth that I am, My Dearest William

Your
Truest & most Affectionate

Hannover Feb. 28 1783 Frederick

P.S. Pray write often