

A. H. to Hered. Duchesses of Brunswick

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My Dear Sister

Yesterday my Mother desired to see Me, it was to express
^{her} wish of having you with her in the present melancholy
state of her health, to which I could make but one answer that
she having a desire of it I could not do otherwise than give
my hearty consent, she then confessed to me that she hourly
felt those that comes to, her thought they did that which she
ought to look upon as very meritorious that therefore she
could expect comfort but in her own Family. she does not
chuse you should be at Mr. James's and intends to have
my late Brother's House in Pall Mall, indeed she would
though ever glad to see you if I thought this could be a
thing of long duration I should have oppos'd it for I have
your interest too much at heart to think it right you
should be long from your Children, and the having them
for a very considerable time in this Country can not be
advantageous to them; in my opinion this will never come
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to execution, for I much doubt whether she can live a fortnight,
whatever the source of her complaint is, the present worse
symptom is that she loses flesh and strength daily and
Cringle thinks her in a galloping consumption. I write
in the plainest terms as I think it but just to you, for
though I trust you will make as much dispatch as you
can, I think it most probable a Messenger may be
with you with the fatal account before you can be
prepared for the journey

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