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My Dear Lord, This comes from one who knows Your excellent heart and can therefore attribute the uneasiness he has felt to its true cause, and would not consequently have been just if he had allowed himself even in the first hurry of surprise to have lost sight of the pain and grief you must have been tormented with at the thought of the effect it must naturally have on his mind; for he is but too fully convinced of the real affection you have for him.

From the moment I had laid before Your excellent brother my distress and the certainty of Yours, Duty and warm Attachment to me, the strong tie of brotherly affection for you, made him without the smallest hesitation see the line he ought to pursue. I was then relieved from my personal distress and had no wish left, but that your mind should be as soon as possible at ease. A letter from me at that moment would not have been of any advantage to you; therefore desired the Duke to call on you, which he did twice without being able to get admittance. When I saw him late at night we neither of us were surprised, but he promised to write a note, which I really in the strongest manner pressed might be sent that night; for I was certain that early yesterday morning you would leave Town.

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Your amiable Brother and Successor, by shewing to Me the last Evening Your answer, has set my mind at rest, which I must repeat was then alone griev'd on Your personal Account; but now let me quit this unpleasant subject, and as Your friend turn to one more serene.

The Duke has not thought it right to accept of an Earldom, that the World may see he has no one View in coming to my aid but the honorable one of doing his Duty. I have therefore signed the Warrant for the Earldom of Ailesbury, and hope when a little time has elapsed to see you, but first in private, and from this hour you shall never hear me mention what has happened, and the Earl of Ailesbury will through life find in me the affectionate friend Lord Brouncker knew he had.

Too strong feelings of the heart may frequently give a man pain, but they shew the Virtues he professes, and must obtain the esteem of those who prefer that Guide to the more artful and practiced one, I mean the head.

Lucens House  
June 4<sup>th</sup> 1776.

George

By the way  
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Hamburg.

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