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Sir

I did not acknowledge the
receiving your Majesty's Letter of
the 26th of June at Torbay, because
I had wrote so immediately before, that
I was affraid of my Letters becoming
troublesome, having nothing to add
or to alter w^{ch} respect to the account
I gave your Majesty of Prince William
in my former Letters. But as Major
Gen^l. de Bude informs me Your Maj^{ty}
wishes me to write from time to time
notwithstanding nothing material or
new may offer. I take the opportunity

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of a Vessel going with the Adm^l. Dispatch
-es to inform Your Maj^{ty} & Prince
William continues perfectly well &
in every respect very pleasing to me.
Mr. Meindie is a very good Young Man
& a very proper person to be wth him.
And with Mr. Waddington he comes on
so well in Mathematicks that Mr.
Waddington assures me he does not
wish him to learn faster. With
respect to the Practical part of his
Profession, I have no doubt of his
making a good Seaman.

Upon the whole his time is very much
taken up wth his diff. Study's. In his
leisure hours he mixes wth y^e. Midship-
-men of the Ship indifferently, which

I avoid checking at present as it is the
only time in his life he can do it wth
any propriety, and I think some
advantages are to be got from it both
as to his knowledge of Men and his
Profession. I shall at the same time
observe what Your Majesty so
obligingly recommends, and Endeavour
to prevent his acquiring any indecor-
-ous or Vulgar manners, which Y^r.
Maj^{ty} must be sensible he will be
liable to meet with

Prince George
at Sea
Aug^r. the 6th
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Your Majesty's very
faithfull & Duttyfull
Serv^t
Robt. Digby

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Admiral Dyer
August 6. 1779

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