H.R.H. to the Queen

May 31 1796



My ever dearest Mother,

There is not a step in life that ever can be taken by me, without my wishing that you should be acquainted with it. It is therefore that I trouble you with these few lines to tell you that I have written to the King, to inform him of the step I have at last been obliged to determine upon, owing to the impracticable temper of the Prince. You have known too well the miseries I have suffered for this year past, to be surprised at any thing I am driven to, but it is not in nature to bear the wretched way any

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Your ever affectionate

& Dutiful

George P.

Carlton House.
May 31st.
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The Prince of Wales

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Your ever affectionate & dearest

George B

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May 31st. 1836