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Admiral's house
Thames
Thursday
Five o'clock

My Dear Mother,

We were detained by the
Duke of Gloucester and he and his party
left town at seven: as it was we were off
by half past seven: we arrived here very safe
at three having only injured the spring of the
carriage in which we came: the Admiral
and Captain Blyden thought it better for
the Duke of Cambridge not to embark

till tomorrow morning: our plan therefore is to
get into the boats at ten exactly, so that
the Frigate may make a good offing before
dark: ^{I think} we all think there is an end of the
Coastly raid: but if it enters as a mode-
-rate as it is now the Duke will be in the
Weser in eight and forty hours: I shall of
course remain here till my brother is sailed
but am inclined to believe I shall be in town
before dark next Wednesday: all the suite
are lodged: the Duke at the Commissioners
and myself at the Admiral's with whom

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we all dine today: the Duke is in high hope:
-nits and I hope Phoster is not worse: I
shall of course write tomorrow: tell them
adieu and ever believe me,

Dear Brother,

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Yours most affectionately

William

W. R. H. M.
Duke of Clarence