

51772-3

¹²
Louisbourg June 1st, 1711

My dearest Brother

The account of Peace being signed having reached us this Morning I hope you will allow me to offer you my warm and sincere Congratulations on the subject, which I am sure must be very satisfactory to You as it is certainly my dearest Brother thanks to your energy and generosity that it has been concluded; the Articles are not yet known here but I trust they will be such as will ensure lasting quiet to Europe. God knows all stand in need of some years of Peace on the Continent; and long will it be before most Countries will be able to recover the losses they have experienced both in Men and Money. I believe that since the year thirty

Years. Württemberg never suffered such real distress,
it goes to my heart to hear of the poverty which
is now to be met with amongst our Peasantry
which were formerly rich and happy. I trust
therefore that the Almighty will allow us many
Years of quiet comfort which will be the only
means to enable Agriculture and Commerce to
be brought to any degree of perfection.

In a few days I believe the Emperor of Russia
and King of Prussia will pay you my dear
Brother a visit. I do not doubt of their being
delighted with their reception in England and
am very glad to hear that you intend showing
them Portsmouth, where they must take a high
opinion of the wealth and Power of Great
Britain. When they see the great Fleet off the

I sh
they
Globe
the
Prin
You
be
whic
thou
sick
occur
the
A
both
kin
Ne

51773

Iole of Wight they must be struck with a sight
they can meet with in no other Country on the
Globe. I rejoice to hear that William commands
the Fleet. I hope that my eldest Son the
Prince Royal has by this time been introduced to
you my dear Brother, and that he will also
be invited to join the party to Portsmouth
which would give him great pleasure. I fear
that you are my dearest Brother owing to see
sickness the person that will least enjoy this
excursion. I hope now very soon to hear that
the day for Charlottes marriage is fixed and that
it may prove a source of comfort to you
both. May I beg of you to say every thing
kind and affectionate in my name to my
Niece. The King desires me to present his

Compliments to You and I remain with the
sincerest affection My dearest Brothers
and Most Affectionate Sisters
and sincere Friend

Charlotte
The Queen
of Hapsburg
June 11. 1812