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My dear brother

my health has been so bad  
that I could not write on your  
birth day to congratulate you on  
the return of that day which makes  
us so happy & that I hope to see very  
often when'd we have had the  
of P. for two days here his first debut  
was to embrace the Duke of every  
body & to say he could not help it that  
all <sup>that</sup> was understood, I came for the dinner  
where received me most tenderly squeezing  
my hand several times & began that I  
would permit him to come to see me  
the next day I did every thing I could  
to avoid that honor but to no purpose,  
he saw the Prince in private when he try'd

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to convince the Prince that he was  
miserable to have been obliged to  
look her up, but that he had asked  
when she was at Heding if she would  
like with her husband she had  
answered she had rather be confin'd  
all her life than to live with that  
shirking man. she is mad I believe  
for she has always had the Idea to  
part with him & to take such a  
sept with out saying a word to any of  
her friends, but as he can not have  
any children I wonder why she was  
not allow'd to be in the house, as Lady  
Pembroke, the second. Darmstadt  
is to be married to the P of Prussia  
she is mad you'll see. that she will  
be made unhappy as all those Princes  
are for Ferdinand is not with child  
it to be the story of the Pretender  
his majesty as he'd my O what I sh'd  
to if he told him how hurt I was & how

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much I felt for the honour of the family  
& also the obliging letter you had wrote  
me on the subject that seem'd to surprise  
him & I hope it may be of use to those that  
are still in his power for tho' he don't love  
you he fears always that you should  
take an other still with ~~our~~ poor Germany  
which would make him much less consi-  
derable if we had a security ~~that~~ ~~our~~  
without danger allow us to hold up our  
heads but our situation is such that we  
must swallow many a pill, the Duke of  
Bevern has ~~quited~~ the service which  
I believe will surprise him that a Bruns-  
~~ton~~ ~~can~~ ~~quit~~ his service, one remark  
I must make is that if his Majesty had  
a clear ~~confidence~~ <sup>confidence</sup> he would have brought  
the P of Brunswic & have told them before  
Father & mother their faults <sup>have</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>before</sup>  
the Duke & Dutchess to help him to put  
them to rest a dew my dear brother &  
believe me your most affectionate & most  
sincerely attached subject & obedient  
obedient sister Augusta

*[Faint, mirrored handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the paper. The text is illegible due to fading and mirroring.]*