

Duchess of Brunswick

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My dearest brother

Augustus Promotion has made him very happy & he has desired me to present his most humble duty, he is so short-sighted that with the best intentions he can never make a figure in the Military line, but he is so fond of it that we have prefer'd to leave him there for the present. Little hopes of Prussia joining in the Public cause. that infernal Haugwitz has told Heron that he must speak of Politics to no one, & he abides by his advice. The Emperor has insisted on the dismissal of all the Emigrants out of his service, the answer is not known. The King of Prussia's Finances are not encouraging to go to War yet if his Majesty continues a passive Spectator, he will not

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have much left to speculate upon. all the forces  
require in their first connection with anything  
dom is neutrality, till that Kingdom is so cir-  
cumvented & the minds of their Subjects so  
poison'd that it becomes an easy prey to their  
Avaricity, & their grand Scheme of Annihilat-  
ing every Potentate in Europe goes on their  
wish. If we fall we shall fall nobly, but I  
trust that the Almighty will bless the Caution  
we make against a People who endeavour  
to subvert all order, & to abolish Christianity  
I am not afraid of their invading us it may  
be the shortest way of subduing, & settling their  
Pride & defiance. if we continue true to our-  
selves, we need not fear the french. I can  
only form prayers for the happiness of those  
whose happiness will ever be the first wish  
of my heart & the fourth of June is so near  
that I hope you will accept of my most sincere  
congratulations may you long enjoy health

and I thank to go through your duty with pleasure  
I ever am my dearest Brother

your most affectionate  
most grateful humble Servant  
& Subject

Augusta

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May 17. 1790

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