

9th August 1757.

George the second — to
William D. of Cumberland

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Kensington August the 9th 1757.
dear William. I just now received your letter of
the 2. Augt by which I see the distressed situation
of my affairs in Germany. I am convinced of
y^r len^d and capacity, and Zele for my service,
Therefore you will give power to get me and
my Country ^{out} of these difficulties, at the best
rate you can by a separate peace as Elstorf,
including my allies the D. of Wolfenbuttel, the
Landgrave the Dukes of Saxon and C. of
Buckeburg. Nobody attributes y^r bad success either
to you or the troops under yr command, to any
cowardice, or want of prosecution. But it seems
late is everywhere against us. I trust my
affairs entirely to yr conduct. You will take
wth my Ministers, and chuse those you think

properest for this negotiation. As in the case
of war I depend upon your courage and skill
So I now depend upon y^r affection, Zele, and
capacity, to extricate yrself, me, my brave
army, and my dearly beloved subjects out
of the misery and Slavery they grown under
I am dear William Your loving Father
George B.

I hear w^t great concern, yr Legg is not well, and yr
health not of the best. Pray take care of life that
is both so dear, and so necessary to me; and when
you have settled every thing, come to a father
that esteem's and loves you dearly.

Take care in yr negotiation about carls,
and that there may be no tricks play'd
either to my army, or the Troops of my Allies.