

Duke of York to Prince of Wales (aft. Geo III)

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Wilton Sunday morn
July 9th 1759

I^r Brother.

I return You a thousand thanks for y^e affectionate letter I had the pleasure of receiving early yesterday morning. The few days I have pass^d since I left you have furnish^d a little worthy your notice. however such as it is I send it.

I din^d at Eglinton on Wednesday and ^{say} I believe about 25 horses, out of which I think there are four including the Stallion, which is one of the finest horses I ever saw, that are worthy of any stable. The hounds are beautiful.
Between

Between 7 and 8 o'clock I alighted at
the Bishop of Salisbury's, in whose
yard I found a Coll. guard of 7th Wilts
Militia, who stood under arms extremely
well. I did not fail to give y^r compliments
to the good Bishop. On ~~Friday~~ ^{Thursday} ~~morning~~
I saw Stoneage which Dr. Stukely
describes in his Book. and sit down
at table at Wilton where we
spent the evening. in rowing about
and seeing and enjoying the most
elegant house and agreeable country
I ever was in. Friday morning I was
upon the Downs to see the whole
Battalion of Militia under arms.
'Tis prodigious how well they do. The
men have the greatest emulation
imaginable, they can always be compleas'd
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if the same zeal continues by volunteers.
The Gentlemen concern I have taken
the greatest pains and deserve any thing
that can be said of them. In the Evening
there was an Assembly in the Town
of Salisbury which abounds in Beauties
Saturday morning we breakfasted
at the D. of Queensbury's but had not
time to see much have promis'd
to dine on Tuesday if nothing happens
to separate us before that time: and
din'd at 29 Froakstones, whose house
the triangular is more calculated
to make an agreeable living house
than most. We are now going to
Church at the Cathedral immediately
My duty to my Mother &c.

I remain

Dr Brother
affectionate & obedient
Brother Edward

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The Duke of York

5th July 1759