

His R. H. Duke of Gloucester

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Sir;

I had the honor of receiving your Majesty's letter of the 3^d instant, Yesterday. I grieve much to find you have been obliged to do that, which I know must have given yourself so much uneasiness. His behaviour in this last instance is inexcusable and weak beyond measure. He has got into very bad hands, and we know is easily led to any thing. I own I greatly fear for some subsequent follies: why did not ^{he} stay abroad, and in some retired place, till ~~he~~ had made proper submission; and not in the ^{most} publick places he could find: but he never did act for himself, and certainly does not now. I fear my Mother still suffers much, a letter I have receiv'd says that she speaks more unintelligibly every hour, and that she seems to have lost her spirits, and her stomach; indeed her situation is deplorable; I do not think one can wish it
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last. I suppose my Sister must be nearly arrived
by this time. I hope she will nearly confine
herself to attending my Mother, and not run about
chattering every-where as she used to do. Leave
this place on Sunday to Embark for Naples; the
Physicians mean to write their reasons by this
post.

I have the honor to be

Your most Dutiful Subject & Brother,

William Henry.

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