

Duchess of Brunswick

52183-4

Bronsvic Jan^y 15th 1798

My dear brother

M^r Swington has made ^{me} very happy by bring me a letter from you, & by his assuring me that you are well, that the only good news I hear of my family I have in a former letter that Prince Frederick of Orange had promis'd to present himself at the means the most probable of succeeding at Berlin, the King of Prussia could not ^{supp} Minister Haughton when he was P^royal & indeed he is despis'd & detested. & every body grieves to see the confidence repos'd in him, whether its to learn, or that he has given upon an unexperienc'd Boy I can not pretend to say, a dangerous man he may

Duchess of Brunswick

be, by all his behaviour in the late Kings
time, false, to a degree, without any prin-
ciples, that's his general character, I never
saw him & hope never to come into his
way, the King is a very honest man & the
Queen is a angel, a dove from high & low
the Duke of Sheldif is quite at home there,
for the tone in the Queens apartments is
quite easy & familiar, the King love the Queen
& all his brothers & sisters indeed I have
great hopes that you will be satisfied
with him, he is not in a situation to show
at this present moment his abhorrence to
all that his father has done, but it will
sooner or late come too light, all is so spirit
that no one knows where to begin, all
confidence is lost among the great, the great
Doctrines seem to be spreading all over
Europe. It appears like Infection
to see the Supremacy of Crown & Heads

and Princes, in this business, when there are
such examples of misery, revolutions &
desolations before their eyes, it is wonder-
ful that they do not unite against the
common enemy I ever am true Briton
as such subscribe myself not only as the most
attached of sisters but as subject my
dearest Mother

your most dutiful
humble servant & Subject

Augusta

52184

Duchess of Brunswick

January 15. 1790

[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the paper. A faint stamp is visible near the bottom center of the page.]