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My dearest Brother

Daily accounts of Victories if it should
please God ^{that} we should beat the French that
all will be at an end very soon, for the
Russians will force the King of Prussia
to declare himself, when they pass the line
of Temarvation, which must be soon as they
are already in Germany, such an obstinate
King that will not follow the advise of his
Minister General ~~and~~, the Ball at Frankfurt
has been generally blamed, from the Impropri-
ty of a King & Queen being in a Tra, the whole
journey was thought unseasonable, one piece
of news I will mention tho' the Duke does not
believe it, that all the Princes that were in the
adjacent parts, sent to beg that he would protect
them, he said that at present he could do no
thing, till the decisive answer to his demands

where refused, & restoring Magance & the end of
skin to the Empire, All the Jacobins are assembled
in the Directory, so that we must expect the
reign of Robespierre, some flatter themselves that
this will forward the revolution much more
than the easy life that for some time they had
lead, the people have suffered so much that they
will not easily re-engage in any revolution, My
brother William is here after an absence of two years,
find him more sedate, more calm, there is but
the achile of his marriage that grieves his father, he
will not hear of a wife, & never mentions the subject
to him, as I really would have no hand in causing
the unhappiness of a young creature, & still now
I can not recommend him, tho' his libertinage
is quite over, & I really do not believe that he has been
so great a libertine as it has been said, he looks
very healthy at present god protect him if he is
to be exposed to the enemy, he is all our hopes, I
ever am my dearest brother
your most grateful & dutiful
affectionate humble servant & subject
Auguste