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My dearest brother

Though I so lately did myself the honor & pleasure  
sure of writing to you, yet I cannot resist expressing  
my thanks for your very kind letter. Of last's  
sermons I will read with the greatest attention;  
it gives me a heart-felt satisfaction the solemn  
echo of immediate devotion thro' our divine service  
is not so devout as in <sup>the</sup> English church. I am sure the  
Prince of Orange, who was in hopes of settling his  
pecuniary affairs when the report of war must have  
put an end to the Dutch, paying her fortune that  
was placed in Holland, and tho' they were very  
uneasy she keep up her spirits amazingly. The H  
of Orange has got his debts paid & he keeps  
the pension he had from the King of Prussia on  
condition that the P & his sister spend every winter  
at Berlin which makes her very happy, for they  
love each other very much. The King is a good  
man but nothing else, they have been surprised

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and did not approve of the Incident Paragraph  
that was sent to Hamburg to be printed, wherein  
he assembled to consult what was to be done upon  
the French Minister declar'd that if it was not im-  
mediately printed that he would leave Hamburg,  
if this does not open their eyes I do not know what  
will, the fear of being drawnning to a war makes  
them shun a nearer connection with England.  
But now that they see that it will not prevent  
their being molested; as Bonaparte knows no  
neare Power, their interest must bring them to us.  
I believe that next winter the Dauphin will return  
here, the Prince wishes if he has some private  
reason not to wish to come, for he said it looks very  
bad that he cannot remain at home, for very good  
reasons I do all I can to engage Her to return, she  
is of great use to Her Daughter who is every per-  
son's young woman, I love her as my own child  
she is very much attach'd to me, & vastly thankful  
to the Duke for his kindness to Her, we support

for the profit of my Son, as he is so weak that  
he will always be govern'd, its better that it be the  
wife then a Footman or somer other low creature  
Ever am my dearest brother

your most affectionate  
attached humble Servt & Subj

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