

Prince William

December 8. 1700

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Prince George. Lat: 49. 57.

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Sir,

It is so long since I have
been able to write to Your Majesty, that the present oppor-
tunity I embrace with the greatest pleasure.

The weather has been, as was to be expected, stormy, & our
cruise unsuccessful.

After so long an absence, it is very natural for me, to wish
to be permitted to visit Your Majesty, & the Queen, when
we get in. The wind blows now, as it has done all this
Cruise, Easterly. And, as we are very short of provisions,
this will perhaps bear inducement to the Admiral to
get in, as soon as he can.

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I pray present my Duty to the
Queen, and my love to my Brothers & Sisters, and
ever believe me,

Sir,

Your Majesty's affectionate
& dutiful Son,

William.