

Bushy House.  
 Oct: 6: 1828.

Dearest Brother,

I trust in God your long and  
 long confinement is now over and that we may all  
 look forward to your restoration of health for  
 a very considerable time. Under this persuasion  
 which I like to cherish I venture to throw my-  
 -self before my husband & eldest friend on a point  
 which as a father I must have nearest my  
 heart. My daughters thank to your kindness  
 are in that situation that I have but one com-  
 -mune and she is so young that in all human pro-  
 -bability she will be settled well in life. They give  
 therefore are off my mind. My poor son is in a  
 different situation and claims my consideration.  
 He & three eldest are however by and fairly following

their professions and the youngest in a short time  
will be in the Church. But they have not any po-  
-sitive provision beyond their professions. It is  
not for me to urge my Sovereign who is the best  
and kindest of men that place himself in a situa-  
-tion with the Ministers of difficulty and therefore  
beyond the advice of permanent provision for my  
sons I cannot and will not press. But I will  
venture to suggest that my utmost desire would  
be to see my sons professing the same permanent  
allowance as has been most graciously and kindly  
bestowed on my daughters. I state this wish with  
the more confidence as I have not the most distant  
desire to apply for any thing on my own account  
and must and do again repeat beyond the wish  
I venture not to go for fear of placing my affec-  
-tions and tried brother and friend in difficulty with  
the Ministers.

Having now done my duty as a father to my sons  
I have only to repeat my sincere and unalterable  
regard and affection for yourself and am convinced  
- and the goodness of your excellent and feeling heart  
will do me the justice to see that my natural  
and just desire to provide for my children was  
the sole cause of their visiting.

I am, remain,

Dearst. Brother,

Yours most affectionately and unalterably

W. Pitt Rivers

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The Duke of Clarence

to

The King

Oct. 6. 1720.

H. P. H. desire to  
have some permanents  
Provision made for  
His Son.