

Dear William

I have a thousand
thanks to return You for your last kind and
affectionate Letter which I take the first opportunity
of answering, I agree with You thoroughly in every
thing You say concerning our Brother the Prince
of Wales. I have often lamented exceedingly his Connection
with the Duke of Cumberland, who I am sure is not
a Pattern to be followed by any Body, in any one single

thing, and as I have heard in nothing less than in his
 Profession, Let me, My Dearest William Give you the
 advice of now applying yourself strenuously to your
 Profession, Consider that as both of us must rise faster in our
 present times than others, We have less time left us to
 learn, for only think a moment of the Situation of our
 two Uncles the Dukes of Gloucester and Cumberland
 who at this alarming Moment, are at home unemployed
 because it is impossible to give them any Comands
 as they are so totally ignorant of the Professions into
 which they have entered.

I suppose During the Winter
 you will be obliged to remain quiet at New York
 but as soon as that is over, you will probably have
 a very busy Campaign.

You must not expect much news

from us here at least know that You care the least
about I shall send this letter at all events to General
Baird, who will take care that it arrives safe to you.
I impatiently wait for the time when You and I shall
meet again, how joyfull a moment will that be?
Pray write as often as You can You may depend upon
my being a very regular correspondent, Adieu, My
Dear William and believe me most sincerely

Hanover, January 4 1782

Y^r ever most affectionate Brother

Frederick