

Windsor Oct 28th 1784.

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My Dear William, You cannot be surpris'd that after
the private hint on your behaviour I gave you by the
last quarterly Message that I am the more astonish'd
that you should have gone to the Camp in the Duchy
of Sottingen without having previously asked my leave as
Frederick constantly observ'd that rule, and still more
so that you should have engaged yourself to visit the
Abbes of Gandersheim, and though afterwards advis'd
by all about you to excuse yourself yet persisting in
doing what you know would displease me, and then
thinking to get off like a child by saying you will not
do the like again. It is by a proper conduct not by vague
words that my opinion of you is to be regain'd; You know
very well that after the first Duke your behaviour on
returning from America did not meet with my
approbation, and I am sorry to think I have not yet
found reason to judge you are beginning to reflect that
the station of a Prince requires a behaviour very unlike
the inhabitants of the, ~~Sorecastle~~ ^{Windsor}. You have in Frederick
excellent

excellent example follow it and you cannot fail of getting
my good opinion and that of the Public, and then you
may become a credit to your family and of use to your
Country in which case I shall ever remain

My Dear William
Your most affectionate Father

George B.

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