

My Dear William, I had hoped reflection must by this
time have convinced you of the impropriety of your conduct I
cannot say your letter of the 1st of April so strongly expressed as
from the Passage you sent me by Frederick had expected,
but as you plainly shew sorrow at having displeas'd
your Parents I am willing to flatter myself your future
conduct will deserve approbation. I have therefore resolv'd
that the Augusta Gauch which conveys Edward on
the 20th to Stads shall be your conduct you, when you
shall immediately pass the strict examination to become
a lieutenant and then be sent to sea; but that there
maybe no impropriety in your conduct whilst here
I intend you and Major Gen. Bude shall if I am at
Windsor come instantly there and when I am in Town
you shall be at the Queens Head not St. James.
I trust you and Major Gen. Bude will return good friends
and that you will remember you are now to shew yourself
the Prince, the Gentleman, the Officer and not merely
the Sailor; get the command of yourself and then you
can be of use in your profession, without it, your being brought
forward

forward would be a detriment to the Service; You
will now be a Lieutenant but the next rise must depend
on Your future conduct not only on Fleet but on Shore.
I have wrote to Frederick concerning Your visiting
the Duke of Brunswick I therefore refer You to him
for my directions as to that as well as Your journey to
Stoke and interview with Edward. I remain

Lucien's House
May 6th 1785.

My Dear William
Your most Affectionate Father

George III.

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