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Sir

I wrote by the Packet that  
sail'd the first <sup>inst</sup> to acquaint Your Majesty  
of our arrival; I now write to enclose  
the address of the Gov: & Council to His  
Royal Highness Prince William, w:  
an answer I thought it right for him  
to make, which I mention'd in my last  
letter and which I hope will meet w:  
Your Maj: Approbation; The Loyal Refugees  
The Associated Loyalists, & y:  
Clergy have  
also wish'd to present addresses, but I  
judg'd it best to draw the line here,  
and Your Maj:<sup>y</sup> will see my Ans:<sup>y</sup> to  
their desires in the inclosed.

I hope the great attention & ceremony w:  
Prince William has been receiv'd on shore

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will not have a bad effect. I found it unavoidable. And I foresee whenever I am oblig'd to live on shore, it will be attended w<sup>th</sup> considerable inconvenience and that I shall be oblig'd in some measure to break thro' that rule w<sup>ch</sup> I think has been the chief means of keeping every thing in so right away,

That of never letting Prince William go out of y<sup>r</sup> ship or any where without me. Indeed in one instance I have broke thro' it, but as it happen'd accidentally & as I guard'd against it by talking it over w<sup>th</sup> His Highness before I gave my consent, I dont look upon y<sup>r</sup> rule as broke thro', S<sup>r</sup> H. Clinton (w<sup>th</sup> whom I have thought it right to let him ride when I have not been able to go) was to have gone, but business prevented

him, & at his recommendation I trusted His Highness to the care of Gen<sup>l</sup> Birch to see Fort Mifflin

The times are not favourable just now for sending His Highness in a Frigate, and I am oblig'd to live on b<sup>d</sup>. I think he will be better here some time longer.

P. George New York Y<sup>r</sup> Majesty's very

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Faithfull & Obedient

Serv<sup>t</sup>

W<sup>m</sup> Dyer

*The King*

Oct. 10. 1781  
Adm. Begby

