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Hanover Jan. 2. 43 & 15.

My dearest Brother

I can not let the Mail go without writing you one line to wish you a happy new year, and that you may see many and many happy returns of it. Allow me on this occasion to return you my most grateful thanks for your constant goodness to me, and particularly for the very kind Message you sent me through Dearest Minny. Be assured, my dearest Brother, that I shall always strive to render myself worthy of your good opinion, and that you will ever find me

Your most affectionate

Envious and Brother

Adolphus Friedrich.

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H. R. H. the Duke
of Cambridge

Janʸ 2ᵈ. 1815.

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Hanover Jan. 16th 1816.

My dearest Brother

I have received this morning a letter from Frederick to inform me that you had made me Knight Grand Cross of the order of the Bath, and I seize the earliest opportunity of returning you my warmest thanks for the honour you have done me. All I can say is that I will do my utmost to render myself worthy of the distinction you have so kindly bestowed upon me, & though my talents may, yet I trust my zeal, and my constant endeavours to fulfill my duty never will fail. —

As Count Münster goes home this morning & the mail goes through Holland I hope you will get it sooner than if I had

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sent it by Sackaren. He is sent by the Stokes
of Lauenburg to represent to You their
distress & in earnest they have heard
that the Duchy is to be given up to Denmark
and to express their most ardent wishes
to remain Your Subjects. They applied
to me & the Ministers relative to the pro-
posed Treaty, & we all agreed that You
were sure You never would be ill
the Duchy they should by this Treaty
Give perfectly safe as they have no
affinity and Denmark having You to give
up the old Possessions of Your Crown
I trust You will approve of this Step
and Remain, My dearest Brother,

Your ever most affectionate
Friend and Brother
Adolphus Frederick.

Hanover. Feb. 12. 1815

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My dearest Brother

I have been desired by Count Wallmoden, who is lately arrived from Vienna, to mention to you that he is going to sell his Collection of Statues and Pictures and Antiques. The Empe-ror of Russia has made some enquiry after the Statues and I believe that the Trustees of the British Museum have done the same. Wallmoden is however very anxious that the two Collections should purchase together, and at all events that you should have the preference if you wished to buy them. He has desired me to say that if you should like at the same time to purchase the handsome Garden, which is situated very near Herrenhausen, any arrangement you would like to make would suit him.

Not having a Connoisseur I cannot pretend to give you a very good Opinion about this Collection, but I think always heard the Statues

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very highly spoken of, and I believe not
there are the same pecuniary arrangements with the Artistes
and Artistes — They [illegible] will have the
goodness to send me an account on the subject
in order that Wallmoden may be able to
make any further arrangements which he
course he has stopped for the present —

I must add one line to mention to you
that I have desired Beat Leythwaite to
to mention my request that you will order
or Bloomfield to write to Mr. Clutterbuck
whether you wish to be done concerning
the Papers of the Steward's family. Clutterbuck's letter
his letter to you I desired that no time
might be lost I desired that your pleasure
on the Subject should be taken, and immediately
communicated to Mr. Clutterbuck.

I will now not detain you any longer
than to add the assurance of my ever remaining,

My dearest Brother
Your ever most affte
Adelaide Coudelut

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Hanover March 6th 1815.

My dearest Brother

I cannot let Quentin leave Hanover without writing you a few lines to say that he has managed here every thing to perfection ever since he has been here. The horses he has brought for you are in my humble opinion very fine and I think that when you see them you will be pleased with them. Sandy regrets that he has been ordered away before the horses. Such as were on arriving by sea he has had them.

I have heard with infinite satisfaction that you have liked your stay at Brighton & that you have enjoyed good health. Instead of by sea I hope that you may do the same in London, and that you may not be much plagued with Politics this year—

As I know how your time is taken up I dare not keep you any longer, than to

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and the assurance that I ever shall remain,

My Dearest Brother

Your most affectionate

Friend and Brother

Adolphus Frederick.

H.R.H. The
Duke of Cambridge
Berlin 6. 1815

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Hanover April 10th 1816

My dearest Brother

Knowing your sentiments relative to the Duchy of Lauenburg, and feeling exactly as you do that every thing should be done to secure that Province to Hanover, I take the liberty of suggesting to you an idea which has struck me, by which I think you might gain your object without much difficulty at the present moment.

It is impossible that the King of Prussia can keep up an Army of 280,000 men without a subsidy, and as I have no doubt that England will be the power to assist him I should think that by making this point of keeping Lauenburg for a fixed Sum to be paid by Hanover, the condition of the Treaty it would be acceded to without difficulty. Could all Three heard I think that Prussia means to keep Lauenburg and not to exchange it as it originally said it would, and in this case there will be no chance of Peace ever seeing it.

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You will remember the manner Hildesheim was recurred to us, and I do firmly believe that by acting upon the same principle as Steward did then who refused to sign the Treaty with Prussia till it had agreed to give up the Province of Hildesheim to Hanover, you will be able to carry the point, and by that procure a most valuable and loyal Province.

You of course must be the best judge of what is to be done, but I have thought it my duty to state this much to you, and I am sure you will attribute my motive to the wish to be of use to you. Munster is too far off, and therefore have written at once to you as no time must be lost.

Should you think it advisable to mention this Subject to Lord Castlereagh for Godsake do not shew him my Letter as I believe the move Hildesheim has been acquired has been kept a profound Secret by the British Government,

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and therefore pray do not mention my name.

I am not concluded without thanking you for the very kind message you sent so good as to send me through Bloomfield, and be assured, my dearest Brother that you will ever find me

Your most grateful
and affectionate Brother
Adolphus Frederick.

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H. R. H. the
Duke of Cambridge
April 10th 1915.

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Hanover May 8th 1815.

My dearest Brother

I can not find words to express how grateful I feel for your most kind and friendly letter of the 24th of last month which I received from Morant the night before last with the Insignia of the Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath. all I can say is that you have made me very very happy, and that I shall do my utmost not to forfeit your good opinion, and at the same time to prove by my future conduct my gratitude for your kindness and goodness to me.

I can easily conceive my dearest Brother how much your time must be employed in the many arduous duties you have to fulfil, indeed I can judge of it very well from the accumulation of business there within these last two months. I flatter myself though that you will meet with the reward which your labours

for the good cause so justly entitle you to,
and that we may soon see the Mediterranean
which I have no doubt of, provided the allies
remain firm and act up to the glorious
proclamation of the 13th of March. Having
touched upon the subject of the Loan sale
you will allow me to draw your attention
to the very awkward situation we also place
in here since the Duke of Wellington has
given us notice that the Subsidiary Treaty
with Sweden would cease on the 1st of this
month. I do not mean to complain of the short-
ness of the notice which was only six days,
for he announced it to General Duckworth
the 24th of April, but I am very anxious
to make you aware that the Cabinet is de-
sirous proposed for a new Treaty, which the
Government have every probability to succeed
to you, also to hear that I presume shall be

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mined if they are accepted. I have written
fully on the Subject to Bert, and I dare say
the difficulty it is for you my Dearest Bro-
ther to fight the battle with your own
Government I have thought you might
employ Frederick to make the arrangement
with the Government. Bert with a thousand
good qualities is not a good negociator.
and as unfortunately Munster is not on
the spot I am convinced you could not put
this important business into better hands
than those of Frederick. Be assured that the
Government here is fully aware of the
great assistance England has been to it,
for without it, it would have been impos-
sible to have formed such an armed force
as we have now in the Netherlands; but if the
Subsidies are to cease, and those proposed
by the Duke of Wellington to be accepted it

will not be in the power of this Country to keep up the Number of Boat People that are at present employed. I therefore beseech You to weigh this matter well, and not to allow any treaty to be signed before You see if clearly made out that the Country is no loser by it. —

I am very much obliged to You for the Amount of Recruit Money, which I thought I hope to You I will not be of any consequence Many thanks also for the very kind letter You have had the goodness to send me from Queenid. She was delighted to see You & thought looking so well. She has sent me a much better account of old Carnaby since his return to Town.

How God bless You my dearest Brother and believe me

Your ever most affectionate
Friend and Brother

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Montmillant May 31st 1815.

My dearest Brother

I avail myself of this opportunity of Major Linsingen's return to England to write you a few lines to thank you for the answer I have received through Frederick to the letter I wrote to you on the subject of General Decken. I shall not fail to communicate it to him, and I have no doubt that he will feel highly flattered by your gracious intention of conferring on him the Hanoverian Order whenever it is instituted.

The arrival of Linsingen was very timely come to me, as he brought me an excellent account of your health, and from the conversations I have had with him I have been able to fix upon a plan for the furnishing three thousand recruits immediately to the Legion, which I flatter myself will meet with your approbation.

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Having written to you officially on the subject I will not trouble you with any further remarks but merely add that I have felt great pleasure in postponing the above plan knowing that you wish that the Legion should be kept up, and I flatter myself that by this arrangement the whole Corps can remain Together in the Portuguese Service whereas its services should be no more required by Great Britain.

Though I feel that it is fruitless to apply to you at the present moment, yet I seize this opportunity of requesting you to send me the a Collet for the Heavy Cavalry with the Cuirass in order that I may be able to give the orders for making them here wherever there Regiments may be stationed which can not be before the Cavalry of the Legion is returned to

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Lindeyer will be able to inform you how we are all going on here, and I trust that you will be satisfied with his report.

I will not now detain you any longer than to add the assurance that you will ever find me

My dearest Brother

Your most affectionate
friend and Brother
Adolphus Cambridge.

H. R. H. The Duke

of Cambridge

May 31. 1815.

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Montbrillant Aug.st 4.th 1815.

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My dearest Brother

I trouble you with a few lines to inform you that I have spent two days with Ernest and the Duchess at Gettingen who invited me on Monday last to go over there. I found Ernest in tolerable good looks, but suffering still from his late accident, and he says this reason didn't intend to leave Gettingen till to morrow. As he was anxious to forward the enclosed packet to you by a safe conveyance I have thought it best to forward it by one of the Hanoverian Messengers, and you will have the goodness to send him with your answer to Brussels where Ernest means to be about the 15.th and he will wait there till he hears from you.

I will not detain you any longer than to add the assurance of my ever remaining

My dearest Brother

Your most affectionate

Adolphus Frederick.

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H. R. H. The Duke
of Cambridge
Aug t. 4. 1815

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Monbrillant Aug.t 12.th 1815.

My dearest Brother

I cannot let this day pass without writing you a few lines to wish you many and many happy returns of it. Be assured that every body here feels happy at being happy at being able to celebrate your birthday, and I am commanded to offer their wishes and prayers for your happiness. my dearest Brother, are most sincere.-

I regret that I cannot have the pleasure of wishing you joy in person as I did last year, but I am sure, you will do me the justice to believe, that absence can not alter my affection nor my gratitude for your constant kindness to me, and that I shall never cease to consider myself deserving of it.

I have nothing new to write from hence. We are all anxious for the arrival of Monsieur who got to the Pont on the 1.st Inst. I trust that he will be here by the end of the Month. and that

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then he may be able to settle the various points
concerning the organisation of this Country
which have been deferred till his arrival. -

I can not conclude without expressing to
you the satisfaction I feel at the good account
I have received of your health, and that
you may long continue to enjoy it, is the sincere
wish and most fervent prayer of

My Dearest Brother

Your ever most affectionate
friend and Brother
Adolphus Frederick.

H.R.H. the Duke
of Cambridge &c
Aug. 12. 1815

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Hanover Nov. 23. 1815.

My dearest Brother

I regret very much that I must begin this letter with informing you of an accident Frederica met with on Tuesday at a shooting party, where on riding down bank his horse slipped and fell upon his leg and broke it. Most fortunately the fracture is a simple one, and the Surgeon hopes that only one of the bones is broken. His leg was so scrolled before the Surgeon who was sent for could get to him that he was unable to ascertain this point. He set the leg with great ease, and he is going on as well as possible, and I trust that in about three or eight weeks he will be well again. As he has written himself to you I shall say no more, but merely request you will make Rect write him you orders not to think of leaving Hanover till he feels himself equal to the Journey—

I must now return you many thanks my

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dearest Brother for the kind message you sent me
through my friend. Sir Love I have delivered
my answer, and I shall only add that you
may depend on my not taking any step
concerning my resignation without first informing
you of it. At present there is so much to
do that I could not even apply for leave to
pay you a visit, and I am convinced that it
will be a long time before I could conveniently resign the Charge you have entrusted to my
Care. Before Munchen returns I shall have
a Conversation with him relative to the
my Situation which, if I am to be of use, must
be extended to that a share in the Civil Power.
Munchen has already spoken to me in general
Terms on the Subject and he will of course make
his report to you when he returns to England.
The only Object I have in view is to be of use
to you and the Country, and having once
undertaken the Task I am determined to go through

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I hope in a short time to be able to send over for Your approbation the plan for the permanent Establishment of the Sovereign army. Do not think that this important point has been neglected, but there had many difficulties to contend with. However I trust that I shall succeed in forming a very respectable force, though it will not be so considerable as I could have wished from the want of money. All I beseech of You is that You will bear in mind the difficulty I have to contend with Individuals, who are all Civilians, and who, the moment that the Enemy is not before the door can not conceive the necessity of keeping up a respectable force. This I acknowledge is for I sincerely hope that peace is not far off, but pray do not forget it whenever the Plan is laid before You —

I do not wish to trespass any longer on Your patience, than merely to add the assurance

of my ever remaining,

My dearest Brother

Your most affectionate

friend and Brother

Adelphus Frederick.

23 Nov 1816

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Hanover Dec.r 31.st 1815.

My dearest Brother

This Letter will be delivered to you by Major Ernst Lenzingen of my Staff whom, I have thought it might be send to England with the new Military Plan in order that he may furnish such explanations as you may require. Having written to you a very long official letter I shall not trouble you with any further remarks except to request you will have the goodness to send me an answer by Lenzingen as soon as you can, it being of the utmost consequence to me that I should know your Opinion previous to the Dissolution of the King's German Legion which is to take place at latest in a Month after its arrival here. —

I now beg leave to return you my warmest thanks for the kindness you have condescended me in appointing me a Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order, and for the Commission I have received to act as Grand Master to morrow at the Investiture

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Lt. George Naylor arrived here on Tuesday, and he has applied in writing for the ceremonial for the marriage which I trust will go off well.

I was informed yesterday, and I often think of it, that to Count Munster and Lt. Colonel Keir, and Mr. Keeper the Vice Chancellor in order that the latter might officiate to marriage Munster cannot appear. You will receive to day an official letter on the subject, and I should have by Thursday's Mail with the account of the Ceremony which takes place to morrow.

Count Munster is a great deal better, and he is determined to set off on Thursday or Friday. I own I do not think him equal to the fatigue of so long a journey and at this season of the year when the cold is so severe; for he is unable to move without Crutches, and should he be overturned or break down he cannot help himself at all. It is however a comfort to him even to his Post that there is no publicity

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of persuading him to defer his departure any
longer. I had several Conversations
with him concerning my future views here,
which he will lay before you, and I shall
only add that I should feel myself happy
in carrying on the Superintendance of the Sacred
Poetry in this Country I shall do my utmost
to fulfill my duty to God my dearest Brother
and to the Country.

I cannot conclude without sending you
from the bottom of my heart a hopeful new
year, and that you may see many hopeful
returns of it, is the most fervent Prayer
of him whom you like ever loved

My dearest Brother

Your most affectionate
friend and Brother

Adolphus Frederick.

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The Duke of Connaught
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