

71, Queen Street
2^d Sept^r 1808

My Dear Sister,

It requires no share of second sight to discover why you don't ~~write~~ when you ought to do so. Your known & innumerable Indolence will furnish a full answer to your question. But pray observe that I never find fault with you, about writing. For, there is justice enough in my composition, to lead me to excuse in others, what I am frequently apt to be guilty of myself.

Now, Madam for your prediction. It may relate to the French Revolution, and, it may not have any connexion with it. "A captive King humbled" cannot mean the King of France, for he is no captive. The Black Eagle cannot mean the despicable King of Prussia, Austria, is more likely to be intended by that sign. The Lion of Leon is purple. May not purple be considered as black. Allowing these two points, then the Prediction will import, that the Infamous Napoleon is to be demolished,

by Spain & Austria. The captive King
humbled, is Ferdinand 7th; humbled, by
having been forced to resign his pre-
tensions to the Crown of Spain; restored
by the Patrioticism of the Spaniards.
All which, is just as plain, as the
Prophecy itself. Brunswick's Lion is.

Notes. My Wife & I have been remarka-
bly frisky this Summer, having made
a three weeks Tour in the Highlands,
visiting the Prosachs, Loch Earn, Durness,
Obertyne &c. &c. No sooner did we
return from that excursion, than
off I set, with ^{my} two boys, and made
another Tour for three weeks in
Proseburgshire & Selkirkshire, in-
troducing them to Whirlestane, the an-
cient Seat of their Grandfathers, St Mary's
Loch, Melrose & Dryburgh Abbeys,
&c. &c. &c. During this last excursion,
I received an unexpected piece of in-
telligence. Arriving at a Gentleman's
House, he asked very particularly after
my Eldest Son, & on my replying that
I had not heard of him for some months,
he bluntly said "then you don't know
that he is a Prisoner". He confirmed
the fact, by desiring his Son to show

me a Letter he had received from my
William, dated Tuesd 1st of May. This rather
disconcerted me, though the certainty
that he must have been released be-
fore I knew of his captivity, was some
comfort to me. Now, all my uneasiness
about him is over, having received
a Letter from himself dated Gibraltar
14th July, where he had arrived in per-
fect health two days before. I am still
ignorant of the cause, or manner of his
having been taken, as the Letter he
wrote to me through Spain, and Bar-

bary, have not yet reached
me. My second Boy Francis,
sailed with the Expedition un-
der Sir Arthur Wellesley. We have had
two Letters from him, since he left Cork,
and are daily expecting some accounts
of the landing of the Troops from him, as
we know from another source, that he
was employed debarking them on the
first of August. As the Brothers are now
near one another, I trust they may
have the good fortune to meet. My
Sister Henrietta is well. I shall tell her
of your enquiries after her. She can
have but little personal recollection
of you, as it is not yesterday since
she saw you at Northampton. As



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Adieu My Dear Sister. Give my love
 to your Husband & Daughter, and my
 Lady's civilities to them both. You may
 make a formal compliment to Louisa's
 Grandpapa if you please. My Countryman's
 letter has been forwarded.
 Ever your faithful friend
 & Affectionate Brother Wm Lloyd Garrison

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Maiden Ladies, of a certain time of life, are
 not fond of being reminded of occurrences
 long past, it might be dangerous to
 hint that she had ever seen you, were
 it not, that her memory has been frequently
 refreshed on that subject by my having
 done you the honour of alluding to you