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The Grange
11/25/74

Dear Dr Baker

My R. A. & I only returned yesterday from a visit to London & Brighton. Thy truly kind & most acceptable letter was forwarded to us, but I did not see it till y the day last. I fully appreciate thy kind sympathy with us in our anxiety about dear Edw.d Thou must think me presumptuous to entertain an opinion a little differing from thine about him, the letters thou hast so

kindly forwarded to us written by him to the Archbishop of York & others, appear to me rational, I do not doubt the truth of his being baptised as he describes, while in Bombay: soon after his return to us, he mentioned a disappointment he had had, in not being ordained a Clergyman by either the Bishop of Columbia or Durham; this may account for his singular letter to the Archbishop, he is perfectly correct in comparing himself to the poor bird wounded again & again but not dead yet. The gentleman who saw him before we did after his arrival, told me while I was in London, that he fears he has had a blow on his head

by one or more of the Sailors: we never ought to have allowed him to work his passage over to India, but regrets are now useless — he had a most lucrative employ while there, as Sub Assistant Engineer and some of the men under him taunted him on the subject. Our dear Caroline wrote and told us Edwd is found & I am coming to the Grange with him, but the unfortunate lady added he is insane, my Cousin has this evening told me, it was that that made us fearful of him, otherwise we should not have been afraid; our Gardener says that when he went to post his letters, to prevent their being intercepted, we ought not to have followed him & tho' he

did not think so at the time, he now thinks (since hearing his letters to the Archbishop, Lord Carnarvon and those about his boxes read) he would have returned safely enough — and missed all the rough treatment he met with from those who were sent to catch him — I wish thou could feel easy to give him my letter & see what the result is: thou would then be willing to let me send his box of clothes, with his great coat & 2 best of 4 others. I think he would feel happier if thou could feel easy to trust him: it seems to me a very hard case that having taken such great care of all his things in bringing them from

India & America also he should now be deprived the care of them again — he deprived himself of them only to purchase food as he would not ask his Papa for money he had no other alternative; but now if trusted with the charge of them, I think happy results might follow; but please forgive me if I am wrong — I feel as if his morosenes arises from our cruelty to him — which was greatly increased by our being afraid of him —

I know thou must think me tediously trespassing on thy valuable time by writing so

long a note., but fearing that
Edw^ds extraordinary behaviour
proceeds from his feeling exas-
perated with us from our
placing him where he now is,
of which from his letters he is per-
fectly cognizant & that he dare
not trust himself to speak to, or
even recognise us — Would
it do to tell him we expect
his brother & Sister from India
in the Spring for a long visit.
and that it would be a
delightful thing to have him
well enough by that time
to be with us — If thou ap-
proves he might perhaps

be allowed to read this also. I fear thou will think there are none so blind as those who will not see, but pray forgive a mothers blindness. Our united dear love to him & kindest regards to you all. Thine truly obliged

A W Abbatt.

Private

I will not send his box without thy permission

Carrie Please reply in detail to my previous letters

Kurkurballee
1/10/74

Dear Papa & Mama

I dont think I have anything to tell you this mail I am going down to Calcutta to see Mr Libley in a day or two, I have not been in Calcutta since I left England last I seem to know no one there now, I am going down on business not pleasure by any means I am thinking of asking for a week leave to go to Hazaribagh I want to go partly as I have been worrying a good deal

about things at the Collieries lately and this seems the only plan to get them out of my head I wonder if this will be successful or shall I still keep thinking about my work, just now I am worried about accounts In my working account for July I credit a sum for stores I am asked why by Chief Engineers Office & I cant reply - I fear I should not do as Auditor for the Caledonian Railway

With dear love

I am not called down to explain my accounts I go to get advice from Mr Tolley about two subjects worrying me here

Yrs affectionately

R Stobbs

Marlborough House School, Woodberry Down, Stoke Newington.

Mr. Abbatt takes this opportunity of intimating that, his establishment is re modelled and adapted to meet the requirements of the present age, and Youths are effectively prepared for the first line of Commercial pursuits.

In addition to a large play ground, a field of eleven acres is attached to the premises.

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(P.T.O.)

will appoint a commission to investigate matters relating to his birth, and matters connected with the Birthright ~~and Genealogy~~ of the Present Dynasty and all other matters necessary to satisfy the Lords of the Kingdoms and reinstate by mother the Queen as the lawful possessor in the lawful possession

And your Petitioner will ever Pray &c &c

In witness whereof I have affixed my name and seal hereunto at High Ireby grange in the County of Cumberland this ~~fifth~~ fourteenth day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy four Edward Alfred

Prince of Wales

(his seal)

A limited number of Pupils are received on the following

Terms:

Under 12 years of age,	£35. per annum.
Above " "	£40. " "
N.B.– Seat at Church,	15/. per annum.–

A Lecture is delivered on the evening of the first Wednesday in each month, for the benefit of the Pupils, when all their friends are admitted.

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George Harker, Esq.re, 102, Upper Thames Street, London.
Thomas Vaughan, Esq.re, Paradise Row, Stoke Newington.
William Dockar, Esq.re, 1, Park Place, Holloway.
Henry Rogers, Esq.re, 25, Clements Lane, London.

Manifestoes to His High Court of Parliament at
this time assembled Your Petitioner alleges
that He is the rightful inheritor of the Crown through
His Mother the Queen Your Petitioner alleges that the
Duke of Kent was instrumental in having His Mother
the Queen stolen from Her parents, the Claim being in
Priority to the Duke of Kent's, and by this means the
Duke of Kent's succeeded to the throne, that the act
of outlawry was not allowed to pass unpunished by
Almighty God for the Duke of Kent died before the
King Your Petitioner alleges His Mother the Queen
was afterwards given in marriage through the instigation
of the Duchess of Kent and that He is the offspring
legitimate of this union Your Petitioner alleges, and is
able to prove that He was stolen away from His Mother
the Queen between the 9th and 13th years of the reign
of the at present possessor, in a similar manner to that
His Mother the Queen was by the Duke of Kent, and that He
has passed since that time as the second son of different
Parents then those by whom He was brought into the
world Your Petitioner alleges that this was done to
keep from the Claim of the at present possessor for Her
family Your Petitioner alleges that these facts are true
He therefore claims the Crown for His Mother the Queen
He therefore Petitions Parliament that His Parliament

Queen Victoria visited here Ye 25th of Octobe A D 1843

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of his Providence, in which We trust, and in the valour of our arms We will give the victory as God well have it We Promulgate these our Manifestoes in order to consign the Dukedom of Kent to final oblivion in Tragmore With the most humble reliance upon the infinite goodness of Almighty God We give with God assist Prophetic Watchwords! the last remaining medicine for our country's cry!

To arms! to arms! brave malcontents! throughout regenerate New Israel land from sin!

Brave Britons will you give the right inheritor the lawful functions? then you must crown another Queen

signed for the Queen legitimate

Edward Alfred
Prince of Wales

his seal

June 23, 1874

The Prince of Wales forwards his declaration and manifestoes to the Newcastle Daily Chronicle

June 23, 1874

To the Daily Northern Echo Stockton The American impersonist and Thomas Smith again?

manifestoes and declaration

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William Dockar, Esq.re, 1, Park Place, Holloway.
Henry Rogers, Esq.re, 25, Clements Lane, London.

Public declaration June 18th 1874

To the ~~Proprietors of~~ the Carlisle Journal

June 18

These inclosed manifestoes which you are requested and commanded to Publish and Promulgate herewith, make Public the manner in which the Crown was attained, and the tenure in consequence upon which it is held.

The Prince of Wales being the Legitimate inheritor of the Crown as well as naturally the defender of his Brother the Queen, has espoused Her Cause, to avenge Her injuries, and uphold His own.

In accepting the arbitrament of the sword He accepts the only remedy left for him to pursue having experienced the resentment of the Duchess of Kent throughout all the World!

Having appealed ~~in vain~~ ~~without~~ to no purpose to Her Government for the protection of the laws, because the Duchess of Kent perceives in Him only an obstacle to the succession which She is anxious to do away with, and will not be hindered by assassination to accomplish the end.

He therefore claims the support of all the Subjects of the Queen in the laudable undertaking of bringing to the Throne of Her ancestors the next of Kin of William IV in the Person of His Mother the Queen. And While He is compelled to wait with great reluctance for the necessary support of the Queen's subjects to arrange necessary and preliminary measures He is at the same time impatient to ~~unfurl~~ raise His Standard in the Dominions of His great Grandfather and appeal to the Omnipotent Tribunal of Nations, ~~that~~ all wise Ruler of events, that in the process

Marlborough House,

Burgess Hill.

Dear Dr

Our dear Caroline has spent a month of her Xmas holidays with us. On her enquiring of me if our dear Edward is still allowed the use of his Bible, I answered I really cannot tell thee, but of course they will not take it

away from him, she said they ought not to. As I noticed once it was much worn, I should like to send him a nice little testament by post before his birthday next month, if thou wilt kindly give it him — We are very anxious to learn from thee what a change has taken place since

I love him for the better:
our very dear love to him
and kind regards &
thanks to Thee

Thine gratefully
A. W. Abbott

Mr Richard Abbatt
Irby Grange
Mealsgate
Carlisle Cumberland

Friends Retreat
York Nov 26 1874

Richard Abbatt Esq

Dear Sir,

His Royal Highness desires that yourself and Mrs Abbatt may possess good health, and should any of your family be travelling in this neighbourhood His Royal Highness will not be offended at a visit. His Royal Highness is not comfortable, and would acquiesce in an arrangement

(if not detrimental to National interests) so that the Comfort of His Royal Highness might be improved His Royal Highness is now being addressed as Mr Abbott.

Believe me etc etc

Edward Alfred

Prince of Wales.

P.S. His Royal Highness would be agreeable to put Hat and Boots on and leave the Place

Edward Alfred

The Grange 2 18/75.

My dearest Edwd

Do try all thou can to meet Dr. Bakers wishes. I know thou would if thou knew how much Mama is longing to come and see thee & has been ever since she received thy note that cheered her so much on the 24th of 12th Mo: last: she would have come to see thee as thou wished on Xmas day, but in Dr. Bakers letter that we received the same day he says "I hope you will not think of coming to see him, as I am quite convinced you would do harm

without doing any good.
Do ask him thyself to write
to us again & ask us to come
and see thee soon.
With dearest love from us,
Thy ever loving Mame.

d.

write

to come

---

m us,

Mama.

Dr Baker
Friends Retreat
Nr York.

A
YORK
NO 27
74

Killhow, Cumberland
29th June 1874.

This is to certify that I have this day seen and conversed with Edward Alfred Abbatt ~~and~~ of High Ireby Grange in this County and consider him of unsound mind — in fact a dangerous lunatic and that he is a fit subject to be placed in the "Friends' Retreat" at York to which

place of confinement
his Father is desirous of
having him conveyed

Wm. P. Foster J.P.

The Grange 2/8/75

Dear Dr Baker

I feel compelled to trouble thee with another letter to entreat thee to take pity on me and give dear Edwd the enclosed letter, as the one I sent to thee last may have been destroyed, and I am quite sure the present perturbed state of his mind arises from his not having been allowed to see us when he desired to do so; or be allowed to receive a letter from us: this conduct appears to us & to our friends to all our Servants

to be extremely cruel, and I feel sure that the longer he is kept from hearing from, or seeing us, the worse he will become both mentally & bodily. Thou hast tried the plan for more than the last month without the desired result, pray excuse me, when I entreat thee to "Roll away the stone from the door of the sepulchre": to give him my letter & venture the result. — I feel perfectly justified in saying, the Physician of Physicians, will let thee have no cause for regret on his account; and I shall myself owe thee a life long debt of

gratitude that money cannot cancel. Jesus, Who is all love, will not let it do harm, He will cause it to do good; remember His blessed reply to His believing children, "Inasmuch as ye have done it to One of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

With our united love

Thine sincerely

A. W. Abbatt

A few lines from thee will greatly oblige.

RETREAT
K/17/2/2

The Friends' Retreat,
near York.

9 mo. 17. 75

Dear friend -

A parcel containing some fruit for Edw.d arrived duly but the fruit was so bruised & decomposed as to be quite unfit for eating - By a card found in the parcel I gather that you are from home but when I

have of course no means of knowing to send this to the Grange hoping that it may be forwarded to you.

Edward's bodily health is much above the same as when he was last seen - he is thin & frequently refuses to take food but generally by

the exercise of patient perseverance
he is inclined to take as
much as is necessary. His
mental condition presents the
same characteristics of well-marked
delusional insanity & there is
not any amendment or alteration
to report.

I have no wish to
place any difficulty in the way

of your visiting him occasionally

Yours faithfully

R. Barker

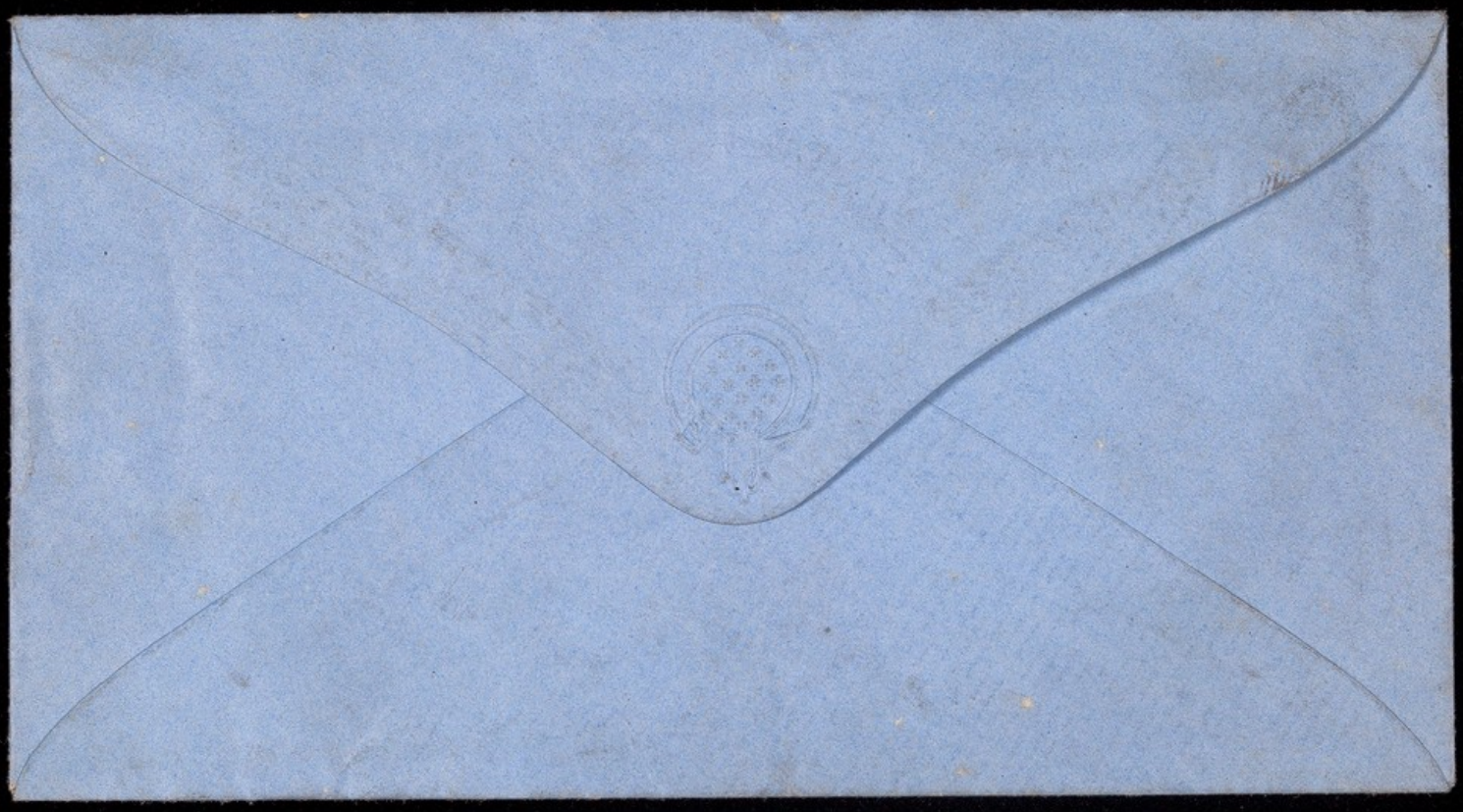
I should say go to New York
Portland Philadelphia Boston
perhaps the Inman Line
might be best to Consult or call
them upon Landing Represent yourself
as Broken down Stockbroker or
Banker: coming out of Bankruptcy
etc and where going over to Your
Uncle they may find Your Nominees
or to start passing Mentioning
Any Name to James Whitall
of 410 Race St Philadelphia or to
Richard Godlove of Jackson Tennessee
who is Master Mechanic Mississippi
Central Shops or Mrs O'Brien
of No 526 Howard St San Francisco
or to Mrs Mercer between Race & Vine
on N 16th Street Philadelphia
or at Lojan House Altoona or

any where in the W. and
will be all right live cheaply
be sociable pay punctually
praise up the country
If you go to Chester from
Philada go by boat on Delaware
and call upon Charles H.
Weidner of Chester Pa Chester
Iron Works I think it would
be best to go right to San
Francisco and Mr. O'Brien
of 526 about that number will
do all that you can promise
require If you do not care to
stop in the country to over the
Pacific as Rivers Pacific

to Lucknow and call upon
Mr Lowell of Lucknow
and mention my name
put up at Hill's Imperial
hotel and make friends
with the American Mission
in that neighbourhood
thus would I should think
be the most agreeable course
Do not be afraid to talk
and Mr Syret will be
able to give you all further
particulars and assistance
Your nephew call upon
Mr Bancroft of Bros Hamilton

at Sellers or upon Nicholson
and if you keep plenty of
money and live by upon
£4 a week you will do all
right when you are all
settled down nicely let
Torpenhow know also
Lampson also, say nothing
you think proper mention
my name everywhere it
will be pass word after
the restoration I will put
you all in your legitimate
position again until then
I remain with cordial love
to all Yours &c
Edward Alfred Albert

Mrs A. W. Abbott
The Grange
Irby
near Wigton
Cumberland



Friends Retreat
York Feby 8/74

My dear Parents,

I received your letter of the 24th of December in which you state that my letter had just arrived and we from Dr Baker and that you would come and see me on Christmas day if it were practicable to get here, and in which you stated

We will arrange to pay
a visit as soon as possible
The Matter of the Doctors
remains unsettled and
occasions myself much
anxiety and uneasiness
I am most desirous of
obtaining my freedom.
If you could therefore
say the Boys promised
visit with that object
in view, or to assist in
the solution of the

Problem concerning the
Doctors, or to let Pilate
know how the result
is likely to affect
you, it would be
much benefit ~~[illegible]~~
Relief to my anxiety
and apprehension
Trusting that I shall
see me from the grave
very shortly.

Believe me
affectionately Yours
Edward Alfred

Yours very
Pilate

The Problem will take a long time to
solve without assistance I am afraid