Richmond.

August 17: 1795.

Dear Augustus,

A few days ago I received your friendly letter of 18th July from Rome which I now take up my pen to answer: believe me you do me justice in considering me as one deeply attached to you and your interest: I wish in every accompanying all my heart you were comfortably settled in this country.

As you have touched upon the subject of Lady Augusta permit me Dear Augustus to give you my open-

timate one for all relative to her as I wish hard suppose that this is the beginning of a regular correspondence: do not be afraid: for I differ very little with you respecting her: you cannot more ardently wish to be with her than I do to see you so: the only point in which we differ about the marriage: she cannot by the laws of the land be your wife: and as a Princess of England you must and ought to venerate the laws of the country: I have been and always shall be willing to Lady Augusta as a person in whom the happiness of my Brother centers: after this explanation you will never directly or indirectly hear me mention the subject: I only do not understand I wish you not to write about her as that I shall not in my letters mention my mistress Lady Augusta

As for publicness I refer you to the papers: Well! Their Majesties and my sisters going to Weymouth to bathe for six weeks: they all meant in good health and spirits: the Prince and Princess of Wales are for the summer at Brighton: the Duke of York is of course attending to the Troops: we have another family here I am afraid will remain here: I mean the Cravens: the Hers and men have treated the family with the utmost kindness: I like them all but particularly the Prince: as for myself I have not the most trifling

ceded of carrying particularly at the end of a war carried
on upon such large and complete principles and when
you are cleared by your allies and on the eve of a com-
mittee of Congress. I mean Spain.

I am afraid the length of this letter will be hard
your patience: I will therefore conclude by wish-
ing you all health and happiness and a speedy
return home.

Yours believe me,

Dear Augustus,

Your most affectionate
Friend and Brother

P. Gilbert

Letter of Gilbert to his brother Augustus Gilbert, 1815