

A.D. 1577.

June 24. 1486.

The QUEEN to the PRINCE and PRINCESS OF ORANGE and DUKE CASIMIR.

1. *To the Princess of Orange.*

Was pleased to receive her letter, and to perceive her good affection towards her. Has good hope that as it has pleased God to give her another daughter it may please him to give her some sons, for her more complete satisfaction. Has charged the bearer, Mr. Daniel Rogers, with the report of news.—Greenwich, 23 June 1577. *Signed.*

2. *To the Prince of Orange.*

Has received his letter by Mr. Philip Sidney, in which he makes ample witness of his good affection to her. Has instructed the bearer, Mr. Daniel Rogers, to declare her satisfaction therewith, to whom also she has given charge to declare her resolution in the matters proposed by him. Mr. Rogers having charge also to proceed through Germany, she prays him to aid him with such advice as he may deem necessary. Thanks him for his honourable entertainment to Mr. Philip Sidney.—Greenwich, 24 June 1577.

3. *To Duke Casimir.*

Has received great contentment by his letter sent to her by Mr. Sidney, and by the good entertainment accorded to him, and of his honourable speech had with him, whereby she sees his determination to abide in the faith of the holy Word of God, as he will understand at greater length by the bearer, Mr. Rogers, who is sent by her to him for negotiating the proposed league for the advancement of the common cause. This negotiation might seem to demand a person of more consequence than Rogers, but she thinks it better to send him so that the matter may be arranged the more secretly, at the same time knowing the circumspection and fidelity of Rogers, and herein she doubts not he will conform his judgment to hers.—Greenwich, 23 June 1577.

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June 24. 1487. MATTERS declared by the VISCOUNT OF GHENT to the QUEEN.

Don John of Austria doubts not that she will have satisfaction at the pacification made in the Low Countries, whereby the commerce with England, greatly hindered by the troubles, is placed in its former condition, and although the pacification has not taken that good effect in Holland and Zealand that could be wished, yet Don John has sent the Duke of Arschot and others to those States to understand what scruples they have, and he doubts not that those States would come to an accord were there not some that seek their particular advantages from the troubles. To show that the difficulties proceed not from his own part, Don John has charged him to declare to her his instructions to the Duke of Arschot. Having declared these instructions (*vide* Enclosure to Wilson's letter