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This day my dearest Love I have sent off a Letter to you — The Carles are gone this morning into Hampo. for a fortnight & then return here — Mr. Ford left Bath about 6 weeks ago — I hear H. Brownlow was so well satisfied with Mr. Brownlow's conduct that he has given his son 400 £ p. an. addition to his Income — I am glad of it, as I fancy they were distressed —

Wed. Thank the waters — This morning I was made happy by receiving a Letter from dear dear Wm of H. 24 — I approve very much of your Letter to Mr. Ford. The business he writes about is curious — and I am of opinion that he cannot make a title suff. for a mortgage without giving up relinquishing all claims p. I think is a convincing proof that you have claims upon that estate otherwise the deed we signed was suff. release — However every thing that is proper shall be done — with this proviso — That I will show as much attention to this business at my return to you as was shown by that family to us in Town & I will be at equally as much expence & no more —

Yr. L. to him is exactly what I could have wished and if he was had the happiness of papering fine feelings it is calculated to rouse them & make him blush at the same time there is a spirit of independence & gratifies me — Don't fancy that you live in a region of clouds — I daresay there are some other people now at Buxton, that they will have the impudence to complain against Buxton weather — Now I assure you that it is very seldom fair here, and for the last 24 hours it has rained more than 15 & exceedingly hard — Yesterday & today every body complained of cold & longed for a fire —

Thursday — This morning Capt. Cox left us — I regret his absence as he was a modest sensible man, has done a good deal of service & is very fond of his profession — when our Madcap's return from ^{Buxton} I know not, but it will be too soon — They live at the rate of at least 3 guineas a day — drink constantly 2 & sometimes 3 Bottles of Claret

after dinner - one of them, who comes from Barbadoes & there
saw a great deal of the D. of C. - told me that he is a complete
Blackguard in nature - that he talks to women in sea
phrases - since I have read a pamphlet called the Royal interview
which is a supposed conversation that passed between the King &
it is the worst of any publication of that kind that I have
seen for a long time, or strong nervous language without any
party violence - The King then points out the effort that the
King had of making himself idolized by his Nation - respected by
all parties, admired by all the world - & his name handed
down to posterity as a model for future Princes - he
then points out what he did & what would probably be
the consequence of his conduct - to Cox but it to me he has
taken it to Ireland to show to his countrymen - who would
he cannot speak of with patience - You will expect me to say
something about my self as I have now been here a week - this
day I find myself perfectly well - the waters agree with me
& to day I am in excellent spirits & health - the sun has shone
for 3 hours, between the showers, which enlivened every body
& I see so much pleasure from the great improvement I
make in playing upon the violoncello, which I feel that I shall
be able to do for my amusement in future - that I am really
delighted at the thought of it - the greatest earthly bliss is
to have it in one's power to please & make those happy who
are dear to us - & surely no man can love a woman more
than your husband loves you my very dear friend - I
never sit about any thing with ~~so~~ calm determination
of conquering every difficulty than in this instrument - My
Master, who is no flatterer, gives me great encouragement, by
assuring me that no person can improve faster than I do - the
great difficulty in this instrument, is to obtain at first the proper
position of the left hand, without which then cannot be given
execution - the cramp in my right thumb returns me too often
to stand still - but I am resolved to conquer all impediments
that will you say to me when I inform you that I am
learning Italian - there is a very good Master here, and I
could not let so good an opportunity of acquiring a know-
ledge of that delicate language - my Master is a Swiss, and
seems to have thorough knowledge of languages - he resided 20
years in Paris & now teaches that language - Now you shall
know how I pass my time - I rise the moment I wake, &
was this morning 20 minutes before 4 - as soon as I was dressed
I made myself perfect in yesterday's Italian lesson & then read
in Ganganelli's letters in Italian till 6 when I went to my bath

and returned by 7 o'clock lay in bed - when I don't bathe, that
time is employed in sketching the waters & exercise - at 9 I had
my hair dressed (which is done twice a day by an excellent Swiss
for 50 Sch. I then breakfasted in private with Madam Davies
and all help her to tea, when I go every morning to Signor
Borghettini & stay with an hour - from him I go to Mr.
Weischell when I stay till one - then to Bull's library for
half an hour to read the papers - return home to transcribe
my Italian lesson, for I learn from a manuscript grammar,
which generally occupies two hours, part of which I shall
to make a visit - reading, dinner, tea, & supper employ
the rest of the day - I called this morning for a few minutes
between my two lessons upon Mr. Harker afterwards left
my home at St. George's & was again successful at Mr.
Holroyd's - at 6 went to drink tea w. P. Thibault, but as she
was going out, I stayed only 1/2 hour -
I have just told this letter admirably for this the day
I have bathed - this morning has been fair the cold & snow
greatly ceased - at my return from my lesson I found that
the girl had called & was surprised to find that a lady had
called to be Mr. Holroyd - I am just returned from an agreeable
visit to her - she had understood that you was in Bath & was just going
to you, as she had called 3 times - she informed me that Mr. and
Mrs. Thibault, whose mother now lies dead & whose son I believe is dying, the
latter - I shall send a note this afternoon & an offer of waiting a per-
son - Mrs. Thibault desired me to come to her often, & I shall be
to do so on Monday, I go to the Melrose to a small party - I staid
a few minutes on my kindet this morning - I say to Mr. Morrison
how highly obliged I am by his kind remembrance of me, I most assuredly
shall be making good the debt she deplores at my return, as I feel a
particular obligation for the same - she took in getting me out with a set of
ornaments adorned with diamond needles - You delight me with your
account of our dear Child - she will be a very engaging little creature
in a few months - yesterday I saw a girl of 3 years old at my pump
room it is my little Lucia, only taller than she was last that age
I flattered with the young lady for a considerable time - her Father
who is unlike any other Father that you know, I have never heard
taller the child there to be admired - do you know, baby, that we be
proud enough to do so? he told me that Mr. Child could repeat
200 lines of Gay's fables before all those early acquisitions depend
upon the opening of the understanding & are no proof of strength
of it - our child who is very backward now may know ten times
as much as the other at 12 years old - Saturday - seven Louis
to keep this piece - 20 times when I have sent her as many
times - how I long to have you with me & our little darling - it is a
pity confinement is so limited, as I'm sure you will make such an
excellent use of a good fortune - but we should be too happy perhaps
in this world if we were such or even independent - this subject
disturbs therefore will take another - when I had been obliged to
was sent out to Mr. Dred, I rec'd. two notes one from Mr. Thibault

to invite me to join his party in a country tea drinking this afternoon
as it is right to show her every civility, I consented. The other
came from Mrs. Holroyd - yesterday she asked me if I was acquainted
with Mrs. Wootley - I answered that I had only seen her five drawings
which was in her company - Mr. H. said "He is infinitely
better than her drawings" and his note, but will transcribe
it, after telling you that she paid me a compliment yesterday as I shall
keep to myself & in the afternoon sent me a political pamphlet -
"Mrs. Holroyd presents her compliments to Mr. D. He had the pleasure of naming
him yesterday to Mr. Wootley, who desired her to say, that if he would
be in her company tomorrow by 3 o'clock to meet Mr. W. & Mr. H. be
much obliged to him - I require some apology to have sent a pamphlet
made so very dirty by the numbers it was lent to - Mr. Wootley is
too much opposed to have been one of its readers" - What a delicate
telling me that I must not talk politics - I have seen Mr. W.
He was in excellent spirits, very pleasant & seemed glad to see me -
You will be happy to hear that he saw the King very lately, that he
is in the most perfect health - There is no truth in the report of

his legs swelling - that he is fastidious - and some people say - his
understanding is actually altered than ever it appeared to be, & wth
may arise from his having in some degree lost off his unwholesome
Mr. H. told me many anecdotes for which I have not room - I am going to
leave my home at Mr. Wootley's & will put this into the post office
as Mr. D's servant, who often called to, will not answer - I hope to
hear that my sisters are at Bath - Adieu my ever dear wife
God bless & preserve you & our lovely girl - I am most affly
And faithfully
Your husband
Say every thing that is kind to my
Father & Sisters for me -