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Mrs Maria Clarke
Post Office
Canterbury

Nov 27th

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My dear & amiable friend

Having yesterday had the inexpressible satisfaction of hearing from your dear Father that there is a prospect of your being united to a Gentleman of the most respectable Character & distinguished Family who equally happy in the preference you have given him & the approbation of your excellent Parents will I trust contribute to your happiness as much as he will secure his own by being the object of your choice accept my most cordial & affectionate wishes for the attainment of all the felicity you can desire on the approaching event which I shall be particularly interested in both from the esteem & affection I have for you ^{my invaluable} & sincerely yours

I have very imperfectly expressed my dear Louisa
the joy & solicitude I feel respecting you
on this very interesting occasion but sensible as
you must be of my friendship for your Parents &
yourself it would be unnecessary now for me to attempt
to add more I shall therefore with the assurance
of my esteem & affection subscribe myself
your ever affectionate
& most sincere friend

Anna Maria Clarke

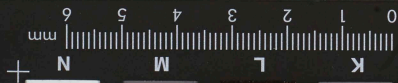
P.S. I beg you will give Mr. Dickenson the under-
-written & tell her I am about to write to Dr. Inglis
whom I met yesterday well in Canterbury.
My dearest friend

By a remarkable coincidence
I received dear Mr. Dickenson's kind letter in
the moment I put one from myself to you into the
letter box. I am glad it has so happened as it tells
of you. You I was solicitous respecting the state of
your health. So I am happy in learning that
your excursion to Ramsgate which was so condu-
cive to my satisfaction was beneficial to your
health.

The interesting contents of Mr. D's letter give me

the sincerest joy with you & her father I anticipate
dear Louisa's future happiness & I trust by
an alliance so respectable & desirable you
will derive all possible satisfaction on the
ensuing happy event. dear Louisa's residence
with you will be a most delightful circum-
stance & save the pangs of continual absence
from a daughter ^{whose} ~~from~~ ^{merits & amiable}
qualities so justly dear ^{who has been} ~~to~~ ^{hitherto so}
inseparably yours accept my dear friend
Brother the most cordial congratulations. I
can offer & pray let me be informed as soon
as the event shall have taken place -
I imagine myself with you & participating
in your domestic happiness -

I also congratulate you on the reconciliation
with dear Lady M. I feel how much you
are interested in that you could not have been
quite at ease when divided from a friend
so dear & estimable.
remember me to Mr. Morrison & with your



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With my Love & Thanks to Mr. Dickens
I conclude you are grateful & affectionate
Anner Maria

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I see, a second Edition of the late Mr. Glover's
Memoirs as supposed is come out do read it
& tell me your opinion of its authenticity &
your sentiments the price is 7 6 —