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Cork 21st July 1785.

My Dear Sister,

I need not tell you how happy I was to receive your Letter giving me an account of your Marriage. I beg you will present my best Compliments to Mr. Sickenwood & tell him that I very sincerely wish he may be as wisecalled & unhappy in his new Situation as I am.

You must be surprised at not having heard from me sooner, but I did not receive your Letter till last Night owing to my having been absent from home for some Weeks looking after a Legacy I lately succeeded to by the Death of a distant relation of mine (a Mrs. Naper) in this Country who has left me an Executor & Provisionary Legatee, by which I shall pocket about

Three thousand Guineas. Some of her
relations have however attacked the
will, but without any good ground
to go on. The business will be brought
before the Prerogative Court next
November, in the mean time I
have administered, paid the legacies
&c. &c. If I carry my cause I shall directly
point at a companion in the Guards,
so that you & all my friends must
pray fervently for my success, if
you have any desire of seeing me
in Britain.

Maria grows large & is
to be confined next Month. When that
event happens I shall not fail to
communicate ^{it} to you. She begs to
join me in every good wish for
the happiness & satisfaction of yourself
& Mr. Dickenson. Believe me ever
your very sincere friend & affect. Brother

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