

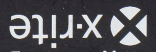
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Thinsale, 25th Nov. 1786;

Glad you been my Wife, my Dear Sister, I certainly would have applied for a Divorce. Pray has not your husband an undoubted right to tumble down stairs whenever he pleases, without your presuming to be alarmed? I see Mr. Dickenson is a Jerry. When my Wife was with Child of Mary, we were stopped in the Streets of Dublin by six footpads. I was obliged to draw my Sword when she was in the Carriage & we got away without being robbed, but she durst as soon have eat my Sword as playe me such a Trick, as You did Mr. D—. I must give him some proper Advice, relative to the true mode of managing Wives— I shall however be glad to hear You have made up for disappointing him, be the production Male or Female. I think the only way You can effectually do so, will be by preventing him with Twins. There is no sight by which I should be so much gratified, as to see You darning your Child. I dare say you will look at it as my Wife did Voy as if she had no right to have one. Now, she begins to know how to touch them as if they were not made of Glass. As for me, I keep the whole Nursery in proper

due & subjection. I approve of your going to
Northampton for a multitude of good reasons.
The Cathcart can assist in nursing you &
the air of Dallington may be of service
afterwards. You do not tell me whether
you propose nursing yourself or not. I
is I find a candidate to succeed one of
the two Scotch Peers who have been called
up to the House of Lords by new Titles, & he
wrote me word he intended going to Scotland
to canvass in person. I fear he has no
chance of Success & with all due deference
to his Lordship's wisdom, I think his Journey
be no means prudent. He & his family seem
to exist more in Post Chaises, than in com-
fortable houses. I am very sorry to hear
such unfavourable accounts of Charles Cath-
cart's health. I never considered him as the
most amiable of that set of my Cousins. I
suspect he has not saved as much as he
might have done in the East with credit,
as an Officer of Rank who is lately come
home. I told me that Charles wasted all
his time in Journeys between or rather
Voyages between the two Countries. His
constitution has been bad from his Infancy,
& I recollect before he first went to India,
he was tormented with a spitting of Blood. I
suppose the Graham's are now at Dallington.

Your Uncle Frederick has I ^{imagine} ~~suppose~~ taken
a new lease of his Life. I think the Bedford
Square House might have contented him
but possibly it may not be his disposition
to be contented. Mr. Peckell returned some
time ago from his Royal Visit, has since
that been appointed one of Her Majesty's
Woblers & obtained excellent Rooms in
Hampton Court. Mr. Peckell has not been
in the straw lately, but I suspect birds
fair to be there next Summer. Sir John
& Lady Warren are gone to pass the Winter
in France. They have taken their Son with
them & left their daughter with Lady
Flowering, who has removed her abode
to ~~Clare~~ Street. Lady Warren tried some
experiment of rearing a girl the produce
a few months ago with spoon meat only, which
ended in the Infant's departure from this
World. My wife & brats are well. My boy is
called William John after his two Grandfathers.
We propose immovulating him in a fortnight
or three weeks. An operation I would always
recommend to have done when the Child is
about two Months old & which is absolutely
necessary for children, who like ours, are
liable to be moved at a moment's warning.
Pray do you know a place of the name of
Mansell Park in your Neighbourhood? I



unknown to us, has his full share of our
affections; his having chosen you to
torment him is a convincing proof to us that
we must love him. Ever your faithful
friend & affectionate Brother

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My
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going to return home
alone

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saw it advertised for sale & was half inclined
to enquire about the price of it. As the ad-
vertisement is discontinued, I suppose the
place is disposed of.

Maria joins me in every
possible wish for your safety, welfare
& happiness. Wm. Dickenson tho' personally