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(Do not impute it to any neglect of mine My Dear Miss Hamilton your not having heard from me; I never received your note till this day when I came to the Adelpsi where it lay ever since; and where I have not been before this six weeks.

I was again with Mrs. Montagu, and very happy I was indeed; for she is a charming mistress of her house. will you believe when I tell you that I danced at two Balls at Sandleford? yes I did and performed my part very well. My partner was the Master of the feast at the Harvest-home, a jolly old farmer, who never danced

before in his life. Think of my bold undertaking; but it afforded a most mortifying scene to the Company, and to my poor hands plenty of blue spots.

Miss Fane was not at Sandford, the Primate of Ireland was expected, and there were no spare rooms left.

Since my return to Hampton, I have dined twice with Mrs. Walsingham, who asked much after you; but particularly if you were married: I told her that it would not be till after Christmas. Have I said right? will not that be the time? is your dear mind at rest? I hope all goes on as you could wish. I love you most sincerely, your welfare is therefore nearest at my heart: and that, which must make you happy, I most devoutly wish may

be soon accomplished. I had almost forgot to talk to you about that abominable book Les sent Nouvelles &c - I give you my word and honor that I never looked into them when they were sent to you; but when I saw your note, I had the curiosity to see what offended you in them. I was shocked to death with seeing the pictures only, without reading the stories. You must have thought me made to let such a book go out of my house; but I am sorry they are in it, as such books would make me rather

sick than merry if I were obliged to read them. Adieu! and believe me to be

Your most
Faithful
M. Garrison.

Adelphi Nov: the 2: 1784

I will send this to your house as I do not know where you may be by this time.

To 4 Miss Hamilton.
at her Grace the Duchess
of Portland's Bulstrode
Near Gerrards Cross
Bucks

