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From Mr. Larkhill

A present of a Cambridge Box for
Water Colors

I pray you slight me not for I pride
myself in being like you, always the same;
within, also I am white, without I am well-
polished - Like you I am sought for by all
who pretend to Taste, and like you I am
loved by all who possess it. It is your's
to give Life, and Spirit to Objects inani-
mate: my Province also is the same. You
banish Ennui; and so do I - pray more,
we are both much admired by the same
persons: then slight me not: perhaps at
some future Period I may recall to your
Remembrance Scenes, which have lately passed,
and Persons, whom you have honored by
your Friendship; the former, as they have
been ever gay, and innocent, and the
latter, as they are steady, and sincere, may
I trust be reflected on with Complacency, &
Pleasure.

28th August. 1780.

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