

My dear Sir,

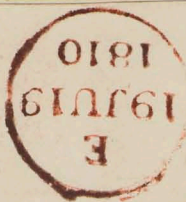
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There now remains but little to complete your work of friendship & compassion; it has indeed been bestowed upon one that I valued more than all other human beings, & saying this the weight of my obligations is acknowledged. From regard to ^{the memory of} my dearest daughter I have endeavored if possible to tranquillize my mind respecting Mr. Holman & to banish every rancorous sentiment, I have therefore written to him, & in answer to my letter I expect him here to morrow. I can not be wrong in my desire to forgive. Should he see what I have to propose in the light that I do, he will be much benefitted, & I shall be extremely gratified in being no longer at enmity with my daughters husband. The result of this meeting shall be communicated to you in my next. Mrs. Mann, in consequence of Mr. Holman's request, has proposed to me to come to Bath to deliver into my hands certain papers, & to communicate the sentiments & wishes of a dying friend. Knowing what Mrs. Mann has suffered from extreme affliction & bodily fatigue & that she is at this time in a critical situation, I could not take upon myself to expose her to the chance of an untoward event, I have therefore written to her

her this day desiring her to defer her visit till it might be safely undertaken
in the meantime she will consult with you upon the arrangement of Mr. Holman's
affairs; you can not have a more able assistant nor one in whom I have greater
confidence; she is possessed of what were Mr. Holman's ideas & of mine which
are the same. Should an agreement take place between me & Mr. Holman
there will be no contest upon inferior objects. I have no view but his inter-
est, preserving myself at the same time from duplicity, but as he is ex-
tremely haughty & acts too much through the influence of passion, there
is no knowing what turn things may take. After this experiment I
shall consider myself in all respects acquitted. I have received a dear
letter from Lady Frances Harpur, & one holds so from ^{The} charming L^{dy}
Eliza Halliday. They are both still unanswered. Mr. Robt. Greville
has notified to me his surprise & concern, as well as Lady Mansfield's
that they had receiv'd no information of my daughter's illness previous
to my daughter's death. I approve of the answer that was given ad-
ding that my daughter after having experienced a total neglect for
so many years would have betray'd an abject mind by attempting
to attract the notice of her relations in her last hours. She might
excuse them for not giving her their patronage, but I assert that so
excellent a mind could never merit contempt with my best

regards to Mr. & Miss Dickenson. I remain my dear Sir
No 1 Brock St Bath
June 15th 1810
Your grateful humble serv^{ant}
Frederick Hamilton.

P.S. Pray inform me in your next
how to direct to Dr. Whalley to whom
I have been very negligent, grief &
anxiety having absorbed my whole mind.



Letter
Eliza
Laird

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10 June 1810
Dr. H. Smith

