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Rec^d Wallgate Saturday
June 8th 1782

Dear Madam

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L. H. the 8th of June 1792.

My dear lady Charlotte Finch. There is so much comfort in all Your accounts from Deal Castle that I cannot possibly ~~not~~ deprive myself any longer the pleasure of expressing my joy upon it. May it please Providence to restore Your little charge to his Natural Health and Spirits that We may the sooner have the pleasure of seeing You amongst us again.

Our Birth Day was very Brilliant in Company, and elegant in Finery, my Daughter Augusta did also Grace it with Her presence. You my dear lady Charlotte know enough of Her character as to fancy to Yourself Her surprize when She was made acquainted with my intention of producing Her. She was perfectly silent for some time & grew more timorous as the moment of Our appearance approached. however, She went through it very properly & I have the Satisfaction

to find that Her behaviour was approved of. The
News papers made Her in my opinion a truly gen-
eral Compliment in saying, that the World admired
the Elegance of Princess Royal, and not less the Modesty
of the Royal Augusta. She really danced with all
possible elegance and behaved with uncommon propriety
at the Ball, the meaning of this Phrase shall be explai-
ned to You when You return.

I shewed my Respect to the King in appearing
at Court as properly according to all Etiquette I ought
not to have been there, as I received two Days before ^{any} the
account of the Death of My Sister in Law, The distress
of my poor Brother Charles is beyond Description writ-
ted, six Children four of which are Daughters, the
Eldes^t between 13 & 14 Years without a Mother to take
care of their Education, is lamentable indeed. and I know my Bro

the Sensibility of Feeling is so strong that I dread
the consequences of this Stroke very much for him, it
is also on this account that I have been obliged to
deprive myself of the pleasure of breakfasting at Chelsea
with lady Dartrey.

And now do I give You joy upon Lord Winchelsea
return, He appears to me quite strong and well and
says that He feels himself so. That the pleasure of
his Company last Night, and I quite rejoiced at his
healthy appearance, may He long a very long live to Comford
You is the Sincere wish of my Heart. Miss Penngave
me a more comfortable account of lady Juliana, I
would have sent to inquire after Her but thought
that such frequent inquiries might be troublesome not-
withstanding ^{they are} ~~they are~~ well meant.

To Morrow is fixed for the removal of the Family

in the Country, it will not prove a very settled life in the beginning as the King will be obliged to come to town every Week until the Parliament is prorogued, this Circumstance does not make it very advantageous to my Daughters, as the frequent removals from one place to another put a Stop to all serious employment, and I am almost tempted to go without them for Year for some time, but cannot quite settle it to my mind as yet.

I must Commission You my Dear Lady Charlotte with a Kiss for little dear Alfred, which I flatter myself You will not be ashamed off nor blush at. Mrs Carter's Shape is less troubled with Her Head Ach since she is settled in Her Native Air if not I intend to turn Physician and try my Skill, it shall be gratis I promise You, a little Vanity You will allow me upon it if I should succeed I shall write to Germany on purpose for a receipt of some Pills which My poor Mother took, who was a fellow sufferer with Me they to be remembered to Your two little Companions, pray believe me most sincerely Your affectionate Friend. Charlotte.