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 Windsor Castle  
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My dear Lady Eliza  
 I was truly gratified by your  
 kind last letter & must beg you to accept  
 my best thanks for it, tho' late yet not  
 the less warm for this delay. It is such  
 a satisfaction to have the regard of  
 so excellent a friend as you have  
 proved yourself to me and I thank  
 God for it with all my heart, for  
 I know to value true friends, par-  
 ticularly in these anxious times.  
 You are so near too good a heart to  
 give an opinion of me, which quite  
 ashamed me, for I feel that I am

and worth of such praises. I know  
my failings very well, but I try to  
correct them as much as possible  
& am always at work to amend,  
& hope in time to succeed, but I  
cannot get allow you to consider  
me as a Model, far I am far  
from being such to you, to whom  
I look up with great respect.

I have good news of my sister's  
health, but she is still in a state  
of great dependence & feels very  
unhappy - tho' perfectly resigned  
in the will of God. But she wishes  
her Daughter well, what is so natural.

Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>

I had not finished my letter the other day  
& hasten now to send it off by this  
day's post. The dear Mr. of Gloucester  
is returned to Kington a much better  
tho' still in a precarious state of health.  
He must take great care of himself.  
He is to come to Kington next month.  
For two months, what I trust will  
re-establish his health again.

The King is very well & in good spirits,  
& I am on the whole well too, but  
just now I labour under a violent  
catharrh, which makes me more  
stupid than ever. I show you &  
your family as quite well & enjoying  
the beautiful here tho' we have had  
I go out daily in spite of my cold  
& can only benefit by it & it is  
really lovely & as hot as summer.

The King & I unite in best wishes  
towards you all & I remain with  
kind compliments to all of you,  
most truly &c

Your truly grateful  
& aff. Servant

Arthur