

Oct. 30th Sunday 1779 43
after noon

Dearest, dearest, dearest Sister, Friend,

As there is no greater blessing
to a friendly disposition than com-
municating to each other ^{helping} ~~the~~
it receives itself, I am going
to inform my dearest Miranda
of. I have picked up some in-
telligence wh. I hope will afford
her some delight tho' I can not
flatter myself of. it will agree
of. wh. I myself shall feel.

Know then that I have learned

from very good authority, y^t. we
only went to W^o again
to stay a fortnight there, y^t. is
as I understand from some
till the W^o fortnight following
from whence I shall again this
year have ye. he refused joining
my M^o & Conversation, but
I sh^d. think y^t. my Father &
Mother w^d. not be so to be sepa-
rated from ye. you are part of
their family so long, ^{they will} ~~or~~
most certainly have them with
them. But also you may come
as join at W^o or can not be

agreeable to you as Dr. Self
is of yr. Party.

Pray tell me in yr. next
whether you have been again vexed
from ye same Quarter
or not, you alarm'd me much
by saying you had been much grieved
from relieving my anxiety by letting
me from the Quarter it was.

I'll be my self tomorrow & pray
I shall be able to clear my Charac-
-ter from every little slur that
has been thrown upon it.

Yr. friends my ever dearst
Miranda I love as I do my own
because they are so strong by affection
pardon & pardon my aspiring to be so

high in yr. affections & they are
however I will not despair, for I
am sure there is not one of them
to whom you are dearer than you
are to

Yr. ever affectionate Brother

Palmerston your sincere friend

P.S. I hope I shall have finished
yr. Letters as well as a little
note for you. — W. P. —
I have more to say to you dearest
dearest, dearest I surmise
then Mr. P. can write. Adieu,
Adieu, Adieu, tonjours &c.