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To

The Countess Dowager of Effingham

Dec. 31 1780


My dearest Lady Effingham, very kind, polite, and
modest letter I received last Thursday Night, when
undressing, and would have answered immediately
had the departure of my Son Frederick not preven-
ted it, You who have frequently undergone such di-
sagreeable moments will guess how that Day passed
therefore I shall say nothing more upon that
subject but have vanity enough to think that
Your good wishes attend my Young Traveller.

Your Son my dear Friend hath not been
forgot by the King nor by me, Several reasons
which You knew, and others which I shall very
sincerely tell You when we meet ~~any~~ ^{where} again
his being placed in the P of W. Family. but I am
ordered by the King to acquaint You that he
hath last Friday spoke to Lord North about Mr

Howard mentioning him as a Young Man I be
very sensible and capable of being of use par- How
ticularly with his Pen. I have given You the sens
Kings own Words which I am sure must affe to W
You great Pleasure, as it shews him to be acquir a wh
Fed with Your Sons worth, and there is no doubt, both
but Lord North will be happy to execute the
Kings orders whenever it is in his power so to do.

This being the last Day of the Year, I
take this opportunity of wishing my dear Effy
and the Amiable part of her Family all possible
happiness in which Nobody takes a more sincere
part than Your affectionate Friend.

Queens House

31st Decr.

1781.

Charlotte

I. In hopes that my dear Friend wont be jealous.

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I beg my particular Compliments to Sir George
Howard as well as my sincere good wishes of the
season. if no frost stops us we intend coming
to Windsor on Tuesday in order to stay there for
a whole week when I flatter myself to see you
both at our House and at Stags.

the
Ld.

My
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