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I should not my Dearest Son have thought of interrupting
y^r retreat for a moment, was it not to inform You that
before I left Town Yesterday I sent to enquire after The
little Beauty by a Note to l^{dy} Dashwood. In Her answer
she informs me that the dear Child was well, but she
Herself Confined to the House, & that D^r Underwood however
gave Her hopes to go to Carlton House in the Evening. & that
she had taken the liberty to desire l^{dy} Charlotte Finch
to officiate for Her in the Nursery. l^{dy} Dashwood's Pru-
dence in this instance is a new proof of Her good Under-
standing, but this shows the Necessity of y^r Plan to give
Her an assistant absolutely Necessary. I mentioned to
Her on the Thursday Morning a Miss Goth. Niece
to the Gov^t & Colonel of that Name & who I have seen
several Times last Year, & we agreed that she should Name
Her to You in Her Letter. At my arrival at Wind-

so I found the Colonel here, & feeling for the Uneasiness
 You must be at when informed of ^{my} Dostwoods Confinement,
 I ventured to make inquiries about the Young^{l^{dy}}.
 I find She is more than 19, for She is 23 Years of age,
 was brought Up by Her Grand Mother in a very plain
& Solid way. very good Common Sense, quiet parts, not
 serious to live in the World, & extremely accomodating, You
 see by that, She is not possessed of what one calls an Es-
 pirit Culture, but possesses Talents sufficient to learn
 whatever is thought proper, & having always been under
 the Necessity of living with those who would lose Her, She
 will be Obedient & Strictly observe every Order & direction
 which it is thought right to give. Her appearance is
 neat & Clean Not offensive in Her Manners, but Modest
 & pleasing, Not befeathered, nor any inclination to get into
 the great World. What Should You approve of my Penil

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& think it worth inquiring after Her before You return
 would it not be better to let Mr Dashwood make acquaint-
 tance with Her, & to report Her opinion concerning her
 & as the Colonel will remain with Us here at Windsor
 till Monday, when He joins His Regiment Until the
 1st of His birth Day should You think it right for me to say
 any thing upon the Subject to Him I am ready to do it
 as I believe it is the Poor Colonel, & not the King's Col
 who has been Her Protector & therefore no fears of the
 Lutherals coming into the House.

The King to whom I mentioned it seems pleased
 of my having named Her, & did bid me Himself send off the
 Messenger. I hope My zeal will plead my excuse & that You
 will be sensible, You need not love Her if You do not like
 Her. The King enters sincerely into yr difficulties
 Adieu tout a Vous jusqu'a la Mort. c'est a dire Votre
 affectionnaire M^{re} Charlotte

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The Queen
Jan. 23. 1996

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to
Mr. Dennis O'Hara
23. Jan 1996