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My dearest Son. Our dear Visitor left  
Us Yesterday with a very Heavy Heart  
& without any Compliment we saw Her  
Depart with sincere regret on our side.

I return You many thanks for having  
allowed Her to pass some time with us.

You have indeed in this Child every  
Hope of Comfort & Delight to come,  
She is Blessed with an uncommon  
Share of good Sense, She has Talents  
Facility to learn any thing, is easily  
led ~~to follow~~ to follow good Advice when  
treated with Gentleness, desirous to oblige  
when an opportunity offers, & capable  
of very Strong attachment. She is very  
sensible of any the Smallest attention shown

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to Her, & also which is very Natural for  
seems to feel very strongly any apparent  
Neglect: She is already well informed of  
the History of Her own Country in parti-  
cular, & indeed not less so of that of other  
Country's & seems notwithstanding Her great  
Liveliness & Spirit very desirous of impro-  
ving Herself, She is Blessed with a very  
retentive memory which is of great  
assistance to Her, & Her pursuits when  
not at Her Lessons are of that kind  
to convey information of all kinds ne-  
cessary to know in Her Situation.

There are some Subjects upon which  
Prudence would not allow us to converse  
with Her, but I am sure that Her Affec-  
tion

for You is such, that by the smallest  
kindness on Your Side You may secure  
Her Love & attachment for ever. From  
the Bottom of my Heart do I wish that  
She should connect with Her Filial  
Duty a Sincere Friendship for You  
which may be gained by seeing a little  
more of Her, & by making Her look  
upon You as the Source of every Com-  
mendation & Pleasure granted to Her.  
In another Quarter every possible Pains  
are taken to make Her Visits the most  
agreeable & every Amusement thought  
of to gain Her Affection. In this we  
can not Blame any attempt! - & I only  
wish to represent to You, that You have

The Queen to  
The Prince of Wales  
the power in Your Hands to do at least  
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the same, if not to outshine that quarter  
& that You have too good an understanding  
as not to see & to feel the Benefit which  
must arise from attempting to gain not only  
the Love, but even the Friendships of so  
amiable a little being. When I plead my  
attachment to You I am sure no excuse  
is necessary for having spoke so openly  
upon this Subject.

As to Her manners I will not deny they  
they are a little Perverse, but more Society  
will correct that, which if You please  
we will take over when we meet  
& now I will release You & only Subscribe myself

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the 25<sup>th</sup> June  
1811.

Yr Affectionate Mother & Friend  
Charlotte