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My Dearest Son. I am so anxious to Inform You of all I have been able to do ~~with~~ to execute Your Commission with all Possible Zeal & Pleasure. tho perhaps I am sorry to say not I fear with such good Success as I could wish. To begin with ^{Mr} Liverpool whom I saw Yesterday on account of Edwards Place in the Country & stated the particular reasons why You wished to make the Purchase, & Y^r intention of giving it to that & afterwards to settle it upon the Prince of Coburg & also that the recollecting the Moment when Charlotte was Established at Cranburn was with an Intention to be under a certain Care of the Family at Windsor, it might very lively ~~may~~ lead the Ill disposed to Suspect that she was left there on Purpose to be watched by the Females. The Objections He made were various

1st that the Situation of the Place was not in
 a pretty Country, 2^d that the Prince might be
 a Sportsman & could find no such Amusement
 in that Neighbourhood, 3^d that there was very
 little Ground about the Place. Tho' these objections
 are True I represented to Him, that I was sure
 Neither You, or themselves would ever find
 a more Convenient & compleat House provided
 with every Comfort for either Man or Woman
 & in My Opinion I should think large enough
 for the Prince of Coburg to pursue His Love for
 Botany as there is a Collection of Fine Plants
 made by Acton, a good Kitchen Garden & a
 Place ready made: Mr Liverpool said He should
 take it over with You on Saturday & we have
 agreed in case any Proposals should be made
 that I am to send Him the Letter left by You

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Brother for Tatham. He asked me afterwards
if you had spoke to me about the ladies
& I answered you had amongst many other
things ~~the~~ hinted at it but I had left
it unsettled & I was sure you had not fix'd
upon any Body yet.

I have just parted with Lady Warmer,
who is toud a fair Penetrice of Y^r Goodness
in thinking of Her, but she is in so Indiffer-
ent a State of Health that she must with
the greatest reluctance Decline it. She says
that she is in so very Nervous a State that
she never is sure to be able to leave Her
room of a Morning when Perhaps she would
be most wanted as Her affairs are so sudden
& all the Hopes is that you will believe she
declines it Contrary Cour.

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I now come to the Commission for Mr. Bridges.
I have bespoken the Picture for my Illchester &
the ~~the~~ Covert with Yr Name for Rose. The
former with the addition of Yr Name will
come to about £.6.00. & the latter ~~but~~ ^{£.4.14}
~~£.4.14~~. - I have also put four
Three sets of Coloured Stones for You to decide
upon for the Miss's seats.

Take the whole set. £.196.

Amethyst ----- 287

Chrysolites ----- 228-14.

Which ever You choose to keep I shall retain
untill Your return.

You will be so kind as to remember that
I said Charlotte must have a Diamond Necklace
for she has none to put on, I saw all the
Jewels that were chosen & find that the

Pracelats which were chosen came to 1700 £. which with the Addition of 4. Stones would make a very Fine Show. I saw it Yesterday Morning set up upon Wax & find that the Seven Stones one of which must make the Center Stone will Increase the Expence as I have seen it to £ 3152. 10. If the Center should not be thought large enough a larger Stone will be put Instead it will then increase it to £ 3880. I have given no orders about it the Mr Bridge says that it is of no consequence to him if he sets it. & the Center Stone may if you have it be changed at any Time.

My Cardigan is Confined with the Influenza but I have sent dear Augusta to Her who will employ all Her Eloquence to persuade Her to meet Your wishes should it only be

for a few Years, She has seen Her & I too
but I am sorry to say that She declines
the Offer tho' very much flattered in having
been thought of in so kind a Manner, but
indeed She certainly is not in a good State
of Health. Looking over the List
I find hardly any Encouragement for what
You want. The Dowager ^{l^{dy}} Dartmouth
would be a Trouville but I know for
certain She will not leave Her still Un-
educated Younger Daughters. but there is
one I will name whose Character stands
High in the World which is ^{l^{dy}} Louvaine
& another which is the Dowager ^{l^{dy}} Gage
who tho' Unknown to Me is well thought
of in the World & She is a Peers. This You
must take into Consideration, as I can not speak

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to
Mr John Thynne untill it is settled who is to
be the First, & there must be first made some
inquiry about Mr Gage.

Pardon me for asking what is to be
done about Mr Fielding, She was to come
with Her two Daughters a Circumstance which
now can not take Effect & I should think that
this alteration would make Her decline the
Situation as She does not like to Separate Herself
from Her Daughters. Pray Consider it well & what
ever Step You mean to take You will be so kind
as to have it done through Mr Powis.

I send this in Hopes You will ~~the~~ receive it
before Saturday, I stay in Town till that Day, & should
You have any directions to give me in answer to my
Letter which would require my coming up to London
again I would rather give up two or three Days more

now I am here then come back again so soon.

I rejoice at the good accounts we receive of Your
Amendment & Hope it may soon enable You to come
to Town that I may have the Pleasure of Embracing
You.

My dearest Son

Ever Your affectionate Mother
& sincere Friend

22 House
March 6th.

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Charlotte

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Mr Prince Regent

To

The Queen