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Bay View Park  
July 27 -

I saw a letter I received from Polly  
the morning my sister  
Butter I find you are  
used and annoyed at not  
having heard from me  
soon - this day's post will  
I hope bring you a letter  
which will prove how  
much I have thought  
of you - but I can not not  
until I have explained  
why I did not write sooner

The first is knowing you  
 offer you an account of  
the proceedings and enough  
I would not wish to write  
I had been long enough  
at Bray to assure you  
that I not only was happy  
but certain it would last  
the appearance of a day or  
two after break up I will  
not be satisfied your  
anxiety about it & that  
it will not be long  
before I will write to

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me to your own account by  
 applying which would be  
 returned to Lewis & Co. to  
 settle the matter with  
 a point in printing that  
 I should write that I did  
 send a few lines to him  
 but I look upon your  
 time as my business &  
 your love for me of that  
 nature that I  
 am more assured  
 of my future prospects  
 & comfort in life being  
 fully realized with the

Duke of Gloucester <sup>would</sup> have  
entertained you the very evening  
of your supping for one  
moment that I was  
either wanting in affec-  
tion or respect <sup>would</sup> have  
told me & that any  
happenings of very moment  
that I was enjoying  
<sup>would</sup> have <sup>not</sup> been  
You for a moment <sup>would</sup> break my  
heart & since making the above  
I have had a <sup>very</sup> kind visit  
from the Queen my two elder  
Sisters & dear Dolly her words can  
describe the pleasure of your visit  
to see them & they are

pleas'd with the silent things I have seen  
of the Place & like the House -  
The Duke & my Sister you are  
great comfort in the afternoon  
that they will reply my letter  
& my letters to me are cheerful  
The Duke has fear'd to dine  
at five o'clock next Tuesday  
& has promised to come soon  
after six o'clock so she writes  
to me no more of the Place  
so she can - any time  
Therefore you please to come  
we shall be delighted to see  
you should the Duke be  
out in the Park you will  
forgive the Duke, we will  
bring at the Door to receive  
you & as I write the Duke  
about trouble you with a letter

but by his own duty -  
I beg you any one should  
and should better very much  
we must apply & finally to  
the staff of the army and  
the staff of the navy to  
see them when I come to  
London & then after a long  
your husband to see I am  
certain they will be  
glad to hear I am very happy  
& very comfortable & am  
delighted with the prospect but  
the change of situation  
can ever make me forget  
you by the Lord Butler &  
for a more assured or  
assured I am your aff. son.