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My dear Mother
 Your most affe letter
 was brought me just as I was in
 the act of taking up my pen
 to scrawl you a few lines to
 enquire after you - longing to
 hear how you performed your
 journey back to Brighton after
 all the various plagues of
 Andover - Your dear letter that
 contained all that was so
 flattering and gratifying and
 gratefull to my dear Mother seems
 my warmest & most gratefull
 thanks, thank God you
 can give us satisfaction and
 assurance of your recovery &
 any assistance towards being
 is / of help to / returned with
 still greater recovery towards
 the health of Mother - I was
 indeed delighted to see you

thought I was a little disappointed
at not finding you more down
in your message, but for having
not I said on Friday night
had seen you you were all
the comfort & whittled & you
me when the world would
come in I should see at any
mother change for the
letter as you had been
one season's or more than
what you & that I think
my cheering after to
try in all & that in
time when you come
out into the air strength
will return - Myself
left town Saturday & really
appeared to have been quite
happy during her short
stay in town - We had some

... morning house at ...
... on Friday night - the ...
... & B' ...
... the thought you ...
... Younger & ...
... when they ...
... morning you ...
... had a great deal of ...
... & ...
... but against ...
... and ...
... all things ...
... the ...
... & ...
... - I ...
... was ...
... they ...
... the ...
... we are ...
... for ...
... a ...
... I shall ...

My dear Mr. ...
I am very glad to hear from
you and hope you are well
and happy. I am well at
present and hope these few
lines will find you the same.
I have not much news to
write at present. I am
still in the country and
am very busy with my
work. I hope to be home
soon. I am very fond of
you and hope to see you
very soon. I am very
kindly yours,
John ...

the other day who certainly does
 value you & that is just
Walsham all his natural
 & by way of in talking
you & through I truly
can state to him before
 I was quite surprised to find
 how I got on with him
 I must say I never found a
 man so much more off
 & more to believe my
feelings, & the game comes
out ought to be
sent for your own ent
in his hands — How like he
 is to old Walter at Windsor
 I am sure you remember
him —

[Faint, illegible handwritten text on aged paper, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side. The text is arranged in several columns and is difficult to decipher due to fading and the cursive style.]