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My dear Mr. Williams
Having been at New all
morning it has not been in my
power to answer your kind letter
till this moment. I am sincerely
to I wish you joy at William's
appointment & the very handsome
manner Mr. Pitt conferred it ~~on~~^{on}
your Son makes it gratifying
to all parties but more particularly
to you & Mr. Adams as it is a
very strong proof Mr. Pitt has a
high opinion of your Son —

You do me justice in saying
you think I shall be glad to hear
of the good fortune of your Son
indeed we are assured we

than I do at what ever makes you
 or any of your family happy
 I hope my dear Mrs Adams I shall
 see you before you go out of town
 if any thing takes you into
 the country sooner than
 you now expect may let me
 know for though the doors are
 not open yet, I flatter myself I
 may yet have to see you
 before you leave town for good
 so I depend on your sending
 me word - how about being
 is certainly promising but
 time is it I wish the party
 can recover as fast as the
 world otherwise, in such times

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but I hope in God now that things
 are nearly arranged that his
 mind will be easy & in
 consequence his health will
 be perfectly restored — I should
 like to see him — I hope to do so
 and believe me

Yours affectionately

James Mackintosh

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I hope you have good account of
 Maria — All my sisters desire
 me to say how much they
 wish you joy about William

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