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From 2. Charlotte. on Changes in Royal Nursing  
1778

My dear Lady Charlotte Finch. Nothing can  
give me more and greater pleasure then the  
manner in which You have finished every thing  
with Mrs. Colerworth. The honour is Yours therefore  
You are worthy the praise. This business being  
done there still remains great deal undone  
this opportunity I shall take to make You  
acquainted with the very contents of my Harb.  
consider the motif of it and You will say  
to Yourself, the Queen is right in explaining  
herself as it is the only way of going on well.

First then dear Lady Charlotte let me explain  
some part of our Tuesdays conversation. You said  
that in coming into the Family You felt some distress  
in not having ~~the~~ appointed the subgoverness. This I

believe is a mistake as I find by the King that this  
place is not to be disposed of by either Governor or  
Governess but by us alone, their recommendations  
are taken as well <sup>and in preference</sup> to others, but the choice and determina-  
tion solely lies in us. This I only explain for futurity  
as I am not sure that those after us will have  
to deal with such reasonable Persons as both the King  
and I are in possession of.

Nothing can be more just than the request  
You have made of having two Days in the week  
at Your own liberty to see Your Friends. I feel the happi-  
ness of such a comfort so much myself that I do enjoy  
it with You, but now on other hand I must beg of  
You that the other Days You will rather encrease  
Your own attendance upon the Children as I am fully

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at this convinced that besides the dependence You can have  
or on upon those that are there for a Constant confinement  
ations Your presence as the First not only will encourage  
determina them in theirs, but will make them look upon it  
activity as a less confinement. This I speak by experience for  
will have though with my Sons Mr Smelt is to be depended upon  
the King yet Lord Holderneps presence in the House for so many  
Hours is the only and essential Thing that prevents  
quest those under him from repining.

the way As to the new sub governess which is to come I  
the happy must insist upon her Dining at two a Clock which  
do enjoy will enable her to be ready at such time to attend  
y of those little ones which cannot learn at four.  
rease and then to stay with them all when Mademoiselle From  
m fully dines. besides this to make it comfortable to all it will

in my opinion be right to settle it from the beginning  
that both the Subgovernors and Mansell shall  
dispose of their evenings alternately one to go out  
one evening and one another but not till after the  
Lessons are over, and above that to make them happy  
if once a month ~~the~~ a fortnight they wish to dine  
with their Friends I shall grant it well understood  
that it never interferes with your Days, or their  
own night that they are at liberty themselves.  
How I do flatter myself Dear Lady Charlotte will  
well consider that troubling but ~~nothing~~ the real goal  
of my Children has made me speechy I am sorry I  
myself have not more time to spend with them and  
therefore am thanerful to Providence for having  
worthy people about them. Your affectionate Queen.  
Charlotte.