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F. C. Gibbons Pce. of Hales to Thomas Erskine
Worthing

May 24 1805

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(Letter referred
to not to be
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Dear Erskine,

I have with the greatest pleasure,
 & the greatest admiration ^{read} your most interesting
 & I may add with great truth, most beautiful
 & argumentative Letter to Lord Westford. To be
 sure it is but plain common sense, but common
 sense most beautifully dress'd up, (which by the
 by, it is not necessary for a manly mind)
 but well calculated if any thing can make an
 impression upon Lord Westford. I have only struck
 out a few words which alter'd nothing from
 the sense but which I thought might brighten
 in some degree in their original form his delicate

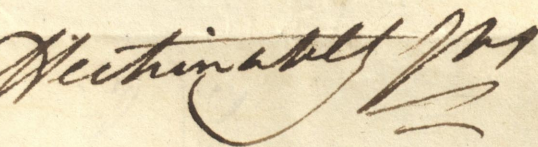
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apprehensions; & in another place I have
added a few words as to the real affections of
Mrs. F. for the Infant, in addition to
what she felt for the Parents; & in one other
passage I have ventured to put the words
and "indeed for Miss" which last word
thought might strike Ld. G. a little too
harshly. Pray be at Hurton Home at
4 o'clock tomorrow, when I will either
take you to Lord Hertford's with me or without
mine as you please, at what time our
interview is to take place. At any rate
pray send your letter to Lord Hertford per


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copied out, either late tonight, or early
very early indeed tomorrow morning, for the
sooner he gets it the better, & the less additions
delay the better; Nothing can be better
than your letter.

Ever affectionately


Arthur Home.

Friday night 1/2 H. to. L. L. L.
May 24th 1805.


Private & Confidential.

Her Highness, The Duchess of York

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George IV