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29th July 1779

My dearest dearest, dearest Sister, Friend,

Accept ye. overflowings of a
truly grateful heart. yr. dear note this
Morning has intilled more real pleasure
and balm into my Soul than ^{Joan's} ~~Joan's~~ Perique
throughout ye rest of my life. My mind
was in so disturbed and flurried a condition
that I could not settle myself to any thing
but you have given me some comfort
to day. I beseech you to continue,
yes let me say to extend yr. favorable
intentions of not quitting at present
to those of never quitting unless for

ye reasons I assigned then you will make
me perfectly happy, till that time I
never can be entirely so. I also entreat
of you to continue in ye same favorable
sentiments in regard to yr. friendship
towards me. I flatter myself you
never will find it misplaced. With
regard to ye Bracelet, I do not
look upon it as any present, but
as a mere exchange, for as you are
to give me a ring of yr. own hair
which will be of more value in my
eyes than ye most brilliant jewels,

it will only be ye. mere exchange
of y^e. Ring for my Bracelet. I did
not send you ye Letters to day as I had
intended, thinking that you might
not know what sa with them just at
that moment, and that they might
embarrass you. I beg you will send
me a Motto by my Messenger. Adieu
Adieu. Adieu,

dearest, dearest, dearest Sister, friend,
believe me when I say I esteem y^e.
friendships beyond any other earthly
happiness, & that I shall ever be
unto my life's end y^e. sincerely
affectionate ~~Brother~~ ^{Brother} & Friend.

I send you a Letter case full of Letters I think there
are only worth y^e. reading which are ye Letters from my Parents
& ye arrows to them, But read them all, if you have a mind
adieu. Adieu. Adieu.

My messenger goes to Town on Friday therefore
I ask for yr. answer ^{concerning} to the ~~re~~ ^{Proble}: I do not know
any thing about our going to W — however
if you hear any thing about our going or about
yourself which interests me full as much as my
self I beg you will inform me immediately.

Adieu. Adieu. Adieu.