

Tues

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I in heat of you my dearest
Miss Hamilton to be so kind, as
to pardon me if I gave you an inconstant
uneasiness last night, by asking you
a question ~~but~~ by his Majesty's order
I did it very innocently not knowing
that there was any joke concealed
under it. I was sorry to see that
you was ~~so~~ not so cheerful after
it, as you usually are, and that
you behaved rather coolly to me afterwards,
which gave me infinite pain. If
you knew what pleasure it gives
me to see you smile kindly upon
me, I am sure you never would
be so cruel as ever to look grave

upon me. I have a great deal more
to say to you which I can do now
as we are going to ye Play, and wh^{ch}.
I must defer till Monday. Adieu
my dearest Miss Hamington, and
allow me to sign myself,

Friday
9th April
1779

Your George D.

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