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Dear Sister

I think I can no way so essentially shew Caroline my real Affection for Her, than in giving Her a few hints that may perhaps be a means of preserving Her from the precipices into which She may else very probably fall,

The Character of the King of Denmark according to the best lights I have obtained seems sensible, warm, tho' good natured, fearful of being govern'd, which has caus'd ~~him~~ him being who ever has pretend'd to any peculiar sway over him. Caroline cannot therefore in ~~every~~ part of Her life too carefully avoid the least appearance of having that weight with him, that I hope She will in reality obtain; with that caution I am almost certain nothing will be able to hurt Her in his opinion. He is much inclin'd to England this

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avoid any political intimacy least their friendship should not subsist.

M^r Taneskiold the present head of the Admiralty is esteem'd a very honest Man, the Minister most in the good graces of His Master, & entirely inclin'd from principle to a close Union with England, M^r Poth is rank'd of the same party.

M^r Barentzen, formerly the King's Governour, now Great Chamberlain is thought a very honest Man, but morose, & rather tending to the French party.

M^r Bernstorff the Secretary of State is very false, & certainly in his heart a French Man, though if the King continues his predilection for England he will effect it also.

In general the Court has so long been connected with France ~~that~~ most Men in Employment having been bred up in that system it will require

may be improv'd, by Her throwing out if she finds him fond of talking of England, that Her Native Country will ever treat him with a becoming respect; but that France on the contrary will ever ~~treat~~ ^{look on} Her Allies as Papals. I would strongly recommend Her keeping off of this, till tolerably acquainted with him, & till she is certain that language will meet with His approbation.

The Old Queen His Grand Mother cannot be treated with too much respect, but in general I would recommend the avoiding confidence in any one, except where it seems to be the desire of the King.

The Dowager Queen also deserves great respect.

Princess Louisa is much lov'd by Her Mother as well as Her Husband Prince Charles of Hesse, they therefore must meet with much attention tho the King's Youth ^{as well as the Princess} makes it safest to

time before the English party grows the most numerous
~~party~~

Madame de Fleury is devoted to Baron Moleke the
(late Grand Marshal, ^{& Chief favourite of the late King in all his profusions} she is consequently quite
French, very intriguing, & will be most assiduous
in trying to ingratiate herself, therefore a good
degree of caution is necessary towards her.

In general Caroline cannot too much keep
her thoughts to herself, & try to dive into the
real Characters of those she sees before she
opens herself this will I am confident if
scrupulously observed ^{her} preserve from inevitable
ruin.