

Draft to M^{rs} of Carmarthen
Launce House Dec. 14th 1778

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Queen's House Dec. 14th 1778

Lord Carmarthen, the regard I have always had for You
made me much hurt on your information that Lady
Carmarthen has by an imprudent conduct forfeited
your affection; at the same time I admire your wish
of yet being of service to Her. I cannot conclude without
mentioning the having communicated your letter unto the
Launce who very strongly feels for you on this trying
occasion; and how my heart bleeds for poor Lady
Holderness ^{the purity of whose conduct} ~~whose constant rectitude~~ might have
served as so excellent an example; it is happy for
you that your children are in such safe hands.

J. J.

[Faint, illegible cursive handwriting on aged paper, possibly a letter or document fragment. The text is mirrored across the page, suggesting bleed-through from the reverse side. A small yellowish stain is visible on the left edge.]