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Dow. Lady Elgin

On Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> April 1808 Easter  
day I had Princess Charlotte to go  
to read Prayers - The Princess told me  
that she was much distressed with  
the Chapter on good Friday namely  
the 19<sup>th</sup> John which gives an account  
of our Saviour's sufferings - She told  
me the substance of the Chapter  
quite distinctly & seemed at a loss  
somehow, at last Louisa said she would  
tell me what the Princess meant, that  
she was struck with our Saviour giving  
the charge of his Mother from the  
Cross to St. John when he was dead  
How could he speak from the Cross

I was convinced but that it  
was previous to his Death & that  
he drank the Vinegar after the  
Conversation - She was then  
satisfied but continued to converse  
so much above her Years that I felt  
it right to change the Subject  
The day before she had talked  
improperly to her French Teacher  
She told me of it I told her I was  
sorry she was so silly that I felt her  
childish but left her without any  
reproof - in the Afternoon the Minister  
had a pain in his breast & in the  
evening they were to sing Hymns  
being Easter Eve