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I cannot begin the New Year in a more Satisfactory manner my Dearest Son, than by making my first employment that of conveying to You my congratulations ~~of~~ of the Season. To say that they are more fervent now, than they always are & will continue to be, would be doing injustice to myself but I can with Truth alledge that my Prayers for Your Prosperity & Happiness if Granted will not lessen but Increase Daily in the Year 1813 in which none can more Sincerely share than I do myself.

I return You many thanks for Your very kind Letter & the communication of that of Lord Chichester. The Idea of the Dutcheff of Leeds having a share to consider of an answer gives me some hopes of Success, which I shall be very



happy to see accomplished, as I am sure it must  
Ease Your mind when this heavy load is  
brought to a Conclusion. I shall await Your  
Summons with both Patience & Temperance  
for though it ought not to be done in a Hurry  
& must be well considered, yet have You not  
much Time to lose before the Parliament  
meets.

I return Lord Chichester's Letter, & in addition  
to my own good wishes I must join those of the  
Sisterhood there can be no dissenting on the Subject  
& with those Sentiments I remain

My dearest Son

Windsor  
the 1<sup>st</sup> January  
1813.

Your most affectionate Mother  
& Sincere Friend  
Charlotte