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My dearest Charlotte

I cannot express to you how much  
delighted I am with y<sup>e</sup> most kind & affectionate  
Letter. I shall not object to your visiting  
your Mother upon the Occasion of her  
Birth Day, but I confide so much in  
your own discretion, Sense & Moderation, &  
what you must feel is the Delicacy  
of both our Situations at the present  
Moment, that you will see how  
desirable it is to make this merely a  
Morning Visit, & not to extend it to  
that hour of the day when you  
might be subjected to Society, of the  
Nature of which I cannot be  
apprized, which I might not approve of







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and that consequently I have every  
reason to be satisfied that you  
would not wish to meet.

I cannot conclude, my dearest  
Child, without once more expressing to  
you the extreme gratification you  
very affectionately & delightfully have  
has given me, and how truly &  
affectionately I remain  
Your affectionate  
Father.

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As I was in the very midst of dinner  
when I received your note at the house  
and not knowing at the time  
where you were



