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Stuttgart November 1<sup>st</sup>  
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Sir

Since I had last  
the honour of writing to Your  
Majesty things continued pretty  
much in the same situation  
till yesterday when the French  
advanced to Kirchlingen, at their  
approach the Austrians fled  
and it is impossible to repeat  
the horrors which they committed  
during the short time they remained  
Masters of the Town, which  
this Morning the Austrians  
had again taken possession  
of, the Duke had lost a

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great deal there as the French  
have plundered the place and  
carried of every thing belonging  
to him. — What we have the  
most to dread is their making  
an inroad from Heilbron as I  
believe this Morning there were  
no Troops on that side. I  
have been all day in hourly  
expectation of being obliged to fly  
but as it is five o'clock and  
nothing new I hope they may  
be afraid and not advance  
towards here as they know  
that there is Infantry here  
who would prevent their doing

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all the mischief they intended  
Leimboung I always have apprehensions  
about, as the Duke's  
affection for it is known, and  
the Prisoners who I saw go  
by after the taking of Men-  
heim threatened very much to  
destroy it if they ever got into  
the Dutchy again.

I shall not fail to acquaint  
Your Majesty with every change  
that takes place and beg that  
You will be quite easy about  
me as at the least appearance  
of danger the Duke will send  
me off.

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The Duke begs that I will  
pardon his humble duty to  
Your Majesty. I have the  
honour to be with great respect

Your Majesty's

Most dutiful Daughter  
and devoted Subject

Charlotte Augusta Matilda

Ch. of Wurttemberg  
Hofstadt Nov. 1. 1799.