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My dearest Brother

I trust you are too well
convinced of my affection to doubt my being
sincerely interested in every thing that regards
you. These sentiments dearest Brother do not
allow of my being silent, at a moment in
which I know you have been severely afflicted
by the inconsiderate Conduct of your Daughter.
It grieves me to the soul to hear of the
excessions you have met with, and perfectly
understand how much Charlotte's Behaviour
on this occasion must have displeased you.
However I am too well acquainted with
your good Heart and the affection you have
for your Daughter not to flatter myself

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That dear Brother you will even at this very
painful moment consider Charlotte's youth;
and be convinced she could never have
adopted so decided a line of conduct, if she
had not met with some secret ill intentioned
advisers, who perhaps seek to create a coldness
between you and your Daughter, which would
have the most melancholy consequences for
Charlotte, as she would then most likely
give her whole confidence to those, who only
seek to make her a fool, and destroy the
harmony which for the good of all parties
must reign in the family. Can You my
dearest Brother after the improper manner
in which Charlotte has behaved both towards
you and the Prince of Orange; be so very good

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as to recollect that she has from a variety of
 circumstances met with many disadvantages in
 her education, and from not being constantly
 under the eye of a Parent; has from her infancy
 been a little too much accustomed to act for
 herself; this will perhaps induce you to have
 more indulgence for her errors. May I therefore
 dear Brother entreat you to forgive her, after
 you have made her feel the improprieties she
 has been guilty of; certainly you will soften
 her Heart if you speak to her with the
 affection of a Father; your unexpected
 kindness will prevent her falling into any
 fresh errors, and when she has her eyes
 sufficiently opened, to know how the world
 criticises her having followed her own fancies

