

There is no employ so delightful to your dear W<sup>m</sup> as his conversing  
 with Hannah - & to tell her that he loves her would be but the faint  
 expression of a very strong emotion - Indeed W<sup>m</sup> does more for her advice  
 & esteem his darling Hannah - There is not a transaction of his  
 life in which she is not present to him, Hannah's good opinion is  
 one of the strongest incentives in W<sup>m</sup>'s mind to the execution of  
 virtue - This evening returning from Malden, about two miles  
 on his road to William, William perceived, a cart & horse upon  
 a bank in momentary danger of falling, & a poor man  
 disquised as a Bacchanalian, wallowing in the dirt, he instantly  
 alighted, seized the horse, & loosening the harness disengaged him,  
 the cart he carefully roll'd back - a Dutcher passing kindly gave  
 him assistance, & the sensible man was at length plac'd in his seat  
 & returned to an Inn at Malden - with the tip of his hat & great  
 bow - Why detail these things to Hannah, because they were  
 interesting to W<sup>m</sup>, & should he not at all times acknowledge  
 his nature, and this was done that H. might continue to  
 think well of William - Indeed Hannah, William does  
 love you most affectionately, & wishes, he could tell you how well  
 you judge him Hannah, by your own feelings, & he will be  
 satisfied - William is wou'd never to be again displeas'd by  
 Hannah, for he will remember Mr. Fox's famous Libel Bill  
 to which in his opinion more praise has been given  
 than it deserves, and the intention of the act is more to be  
 considered than the act itself, & this was always good and kind  
 W<sup>m</sup> has the most implicit confidence in Hannah's love  
 can he give a stronger proof of it than by giving permission  
 to the current thoughts of his soul, without the pain of  
 discriminating, or arranging them - H. has a claim  
 to his mind, & a claim which William will never swallow  
 for when he ceases to love H. he will cease to be William  
 that can never be - The more attentively W<sup>m</sup> views his dear  
 dear H's character, the more is he pleas'd with its dispositions  
 & there is not now an iota he wishes changed - In W<sup>m</sup>

Mind there is but one strong & master passion, his love to Hannah -  
- Mrs Letters will in future consist of little more than the detail of  
ordinary events, to which H. is regard only has given an importance far  
of what can a lovers diary principally consist, of broken sighs, and  
unperforming wishes - & the watch word of every hour to Williams  
mind is Hannah, and such are the pleasures of association, that  
exquisitely soothing to Mrs perturbed spirit is the sweet Echo of  
his darling Hannah's name - When I think Hannah of the lot  
of our Sisters, many of them my dear dear Girl, are wonderful for the  
various language of infantine & increasing love, how frequently in  
the same ideas conveyed in different deep, every time more precious  
intellect itself is how inferior to the delightful interchange of  
heartsoftenings, endearments, than are the spontaneous offerings of  
sympathetic soul - Then an enjoyment Hannah, of which the  
world can never rob us, (exceptant of your eternal regard) nothing  
else would now comfort with my desires) no extraneous cause  
shall ever ruffle the mind of him who loves, his dear dear H.  
Hudson affected is now the only thing he wishes to deserve  
Hudson - Casually chatting with some friends their desires  
a question arose how far, it was becoming in an affectionate  
Husband to give his Wife property by will, restricting her from  
marrying again - When William had to speak, inspired with  
the truth of Hannah's assurances of eternal regard, after  
observing that he thought it required a personal answer, for  
it was principally a subject of feelings, & would say according  
to each man's temperament, & previous love, for himself he  
must despise all such restrictions, as in themselves exclude  
if the woman were disposed to marry again, but with <sup>his</sup> view of a future  
state, & with his dear Hannah's similar opinion, all such restriction would  
be needless because they equally looked to that world, where as angelical spirits  
they might again acquire their identity, & remember their affliction in this  
life - and with such persuasion, it would be to form restrictions for  
what their own dear of light & sunny soul prompt them to - Many  
acquiesced to Mrs opinion, & H. could I know approve it, & it is  
his sanction I seek - W. now wishes to arraign the conduct of  
others, it is sufficient if every one is satisfied with his own  
behaviour - W. shall now be the self controlled Judge of another's

sentiments - Hannah, be of one W. is confident of your affection -  
it is his solace, the cordial against the Law-suit, & the delight of all  
his reflecting moments - Indeed Hannah, William love you most  
tenderly, most affectionately, & he ever will do so - be true happy Hannah  
for it is his Will, & his Will alone - With my dear dearest Hannah  
I had it in contemplation to have drunk Tea with Mrs D. this evening  
but the accident mentioned in the first side arranged my things by  
my train & I rode immediately home - But W. loves only H. & will  
never love another - He was H. convinced of my sincerity, as I detail  
those intentions, which your mind has but lately learned to consider as  
unprejudicial to our mutual happiness, which I might have concealed  
but concealment is not characteristic of W. who loves, who loves  
his dear dear H. & views her as the best & best of women, to whom  
only he will ever pay tribute, & whose he may respect, but Hannah  
is the only one that he will love - Banish then all disquietudes,  
let W. & H.'s love be their mutual consolation, as it is to  
- Certain, a Disrupt of Love, being asked what he had learned, that  
that would appear beneath, and his answer being, that he had learned  
that upon which he replied I have learned to esteem a Parents daughter  
such my darling Girl, let our future conduct be, if require us and  
let us mutually endure them, & if ask'd when is the happiness of  
love, let us remember that it cannot be coined thus: the whole conduct  
of our lives - Indeed my beloved, my dearest friend, I am convinced  
that happiness is within our power & ours only is the fault of us  
not seize it - W. is resolved from this moment to be happy,  
since in the affection of his dear Hannah, with a confidence  
resting into conviction, it is folly to be unhappy - I have  
often thought that man does not pay sufficient regard to Religion  
as the one thing needful, & I am satisfied that the good man will  
consider himself as holding all the things of this World  
by a feeble tenure & should I expect to enjoy the  
sunshine of his own Room - So as W. & Hannah are  
absorbed in their mutual regard, how indifferent should appear  
between the concerns of this life, which they should hold as not  
abusing them, & keep the moral of tenor of their way without  
one misdeed thought - Let not W. wish such happiness, if it  
was his superior to the World & offer to me the dearest of W. & H.  
- Let H. cherish a confidence in W. love she shall be happy

And only created a possibility, to have the pleasure of affirming her disbelief  
of it - Indeed Hannah, this is the true state of love & affection, & such a style is  
the delight of Mrs's hours - As Parsons amuse themselves by taking us what their  
feats do mean & what they do not mean so it delights her with the emotion  
of impossibility, as certainties to her fond & adoring declarations of attachments  
- Let us my dear St. but read every thing with the fond eye of affection, & we shall  
discover new beauties, new confirmations of love - Indeed my dear dear friend  
(How important an epithet I never gave to any one before) we will be happy, there  
has not been a moment when I ceased to love you but now I esteem, I value  
you indeed - I never pictured my darling Hannah as a future Saint, but I have  
always viewed her as my darling Anna, who prides herself to virtue - Indeed St.  
your dear William loves you & is more than ever your affectionate William -

H. must write very very soon to let me hear how the  
last night's promise would succeed - I am sure that in her  
mind she will improve it - 'tis strange we is it  
not - You know to be in & out in the latter  
end of this week -  
- I shall be in  
- my God bless me

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The first of Mrs's morning letters, had a great number of corrections  
after my dear friend's, had a great number of corrections  
near - might be by experience, that we are essentially necessary to each other  
half-ways, we will no more know of the alternative between duty or money  
but emotion all & make very things find to the interest of the & the making  
love - I find Mrs so now only my happy, because in St. love her, do  
half by her - You is not my darling, a more pleasant part in your heart  
from your exquisite sensibility, and not in a state of insubordination, my only  
agreed is that it may be done by love, & the most perfect way of doing  
- Hannah's offer - I hope in the course of time, we will be able  
not to know any more of the future which happily regulates in the great things  
of happiness - You must never be afraid of difficulties, my dear friend  
is another way to be again, as I have by Hannah, my things, the dear, every  
and one with a heart for the friends of the universal more spirit of affection  
& she has promised to be here all the time she is in - This is not likely  
to be done by Hannah - You understand that Mrs's to be in a state  
corrected in my part, & in her part, that I think that I think of what only