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Dear Madam

I have no engagements for a
month to come excepting for Monday and
Thursday next - On Monday I have a very
long standing and particular engagement other-
-wise I should break it with no scruple to
accept your Ladyship's invitation - How unfort-
-unate it is for me to have been thus engaged - I
must not be too pathetic over my misfortune -
for that might seem to be saying "I pray you ask
me some other ^{day}" & that would be very saucy

though it would be very sincere - But it cannot be forwardness to thank you most gratefully for speaking so kindly of my looks -

With great respect

I remain
your Ladyship's obliged & faithful
servant

Thos Campbell

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