

58 Locke May 13th 1770

Dear Miss

I am glad to profit of any opportunity to assure you, how pleasing it is to me, to acquaint you with any thing I thought would be agreeable to you, and as I am never will be to hear of ^{Mr} & ^{Ms} Hope we have got a very disagreeable subject in ^{of} your young lady I mention'd to you sometime ago, recommend'd by Mr Dabben, I wish I could transmit to you ^{of} part of his letter in respect of her, ^{of} he wrote to Mr Jones as it was not convenient to give it me, I shall give you a full account of her; and some conjectures of my own in her regard, as you may be surpris'd I should not have insist'd, on a better fortune, if you did not know how matters stand, I have done nothing in it only with the approbation of our worthy friend, and Mr Vele, her father will give only two hundred ^{pd} to the house, he is to pay fifteen ^{pd} a year interest on it, while she lives, he is to give her a pension for her self, ^{of} he does not chuse to come

to present, his indignation I believe is so great against her, for being
an Nun, he offers her two thousand ^{guineas} if she will marry her
inclination I find was to go to the same Convent, where she was
brought up in, he would not consent to y^e, as he says there is
a probability in favor of y^e may demolish all they Monasteries, he
she should go to Flanders and Jeze was the place he chose for
is I suppose being under an Ecclesiastical prince, he thought y^e
would Long's submit, all these objections made her determine I believe
on taking on her, and says she is greatly pleas'd to a marriage
from y^e has being Educated in France, when he gave her leave
to come here, he desired she should leave Dublin, in July and go
to a Convent in Gallway, to remain both things are fix'd here, she
beg she should come here, and stay with in first place she could be
be of great service, and it would be agreeable to me to have
her, and its thought more advantageous for many reasons, by his
of acting in her regard, at least I imagine he does not see
her, so as of footing I request is put on being left to y^e for her
going to Gallway than coming from thence would cost him more,
if he thought it would be agreeable to her, I dare he would
let her come, I fancy you'll admire to hear she is his only child,
and I believe the same we mention'd to y^e about two years ago, she is
Every thing corroborates with what I said then, only her being so very
young as they told me she was, if it's the same the father is a very
religious Man, and has made a very good fortune, and retir'd
from business lives in y^e Country, there is a great appearance beside
that I don't know, she has had a mind to be an Nun, scarce a child
is mighty devout nobody can write better than she does, or better
orthography this what Mr Hasben mentions of her, in his last letter y^e
the first speak of her he said she had great abilities for y^e has
every thing for the best, in her regard to buy her for her place, when

to mortifie me of the did not join you, and had the same more the w^d
net with the same part of others did: Ever Mr Dunbar had so much to the
prejudice of this foundation, if I believe he did, ⁱⁿ ^{deed} as much to prove
on her as he would, had he known how matters were, Ever since Mr
Hallosser has been ^{here} who was inform'd of the truth of every thing, nobody
can ^{be} ^{more} ^{than} he does for its necessity; we most think
the although by persons every thing for the best, you'll see with his
appearance every thing grows well and his drive hand well
approach our in getting up former ~~stirring~~ the house this in
opinion will bring a judgment on you if they hinder her
from being the means of saving so many souls, Mr Moxlan offers
me to assure you of his most affable Compliment he is so ^{pass'd}
to he has hardly time to eat his meals, since the Jubilee he attempts
several times to try to get an hour to sit down to write to you it
was in vain it mortifies him he can't, as I don't know any body
he has a high's esteem for: his health is so much injur'd since
the great fatigue of he told me himself yesterday as ^{the} ^{low'd} ^{low'd}
to ~~any~~ ~~can~~ ~~see~~ ^{to} ^{submit} or ^{you} ^{count} his friend with
the ^{spread} it won't have now weight with him
it was not in regard of this foundation, he thinks y^e will
then to finish y^e Novitiate there and as soon as leave is got for y^e
other lady to come a way immediately, ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~
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he expects his next evening moment and will have time
to write to you and to the superior at y^e same time as y^e Jubilee will
be soon over, I was surpris'd when he ask'd me if I wrote to the Mesday
Review I never did I know ^{how} ^{long} ^{she} ^{has} ^{been} ^{gone} ^{and} ^{to} ^{the} ¹⁻¹ ^{not}
writing of french prevents me, as I am very on foot of being trouble
some to persons y^e have not time to speak, and I ^{can't} ⁱⁿ ^{trust} any body
there, I hope your ^{letter} ^{will} ^{bring} ^{you} ^{some} ^{all} ^{the} ^{best} ^{and} ^{great} ^{happy}
conclusion to this foundation and never be disjoin'd from, I ^{must} ^{write}
my young lady y^e think proper, I have often being at home, I follow
you won't have thought I was any way flattering you w^{ch} y^e
success of it I met so many disagreements, and very young lady I don
w^d met with I was sorry y^e we ever speak of her to y^e tho' we were of
when we did, and afterwards she was resolv'd to go to France you see

you and they say as I wish you may always prosper & so it gives
 me a vast deal of trouble, to find them too young yet to
 learn, can have now a advantage if it could be permit^d you to have
 any body to teach, you any thing you thought worth be hereafter an
 advantage to the House, dont you see any Expense you'll be best judge
 on y^t and I ever being use in these regards this we happy to have
 a person of y^r good sense to direct you and I can with truth
 say you are in the god y^r chief support of this good work, which I shall
 my self, ^{your} proper part beyond what was ⁱⁿ due ship your most aff^{ct}
 has a right to expect in such a country as this friend Phoebe

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we have got ^{the} back again: and if Miss Smith is ^{not} but I'm to any other
 convent, Mr. Maylan think he will prevail in ^{to} come, here to
 recently wish he may. I beg you'll be so good as to present my
 compliments, to the superior your M^rs and y^r former w^{an} who
 I love and reverence. and Mr. Frismon's my best wish's attend
 the young ladies, all the family of Barryloub are in perfect
 health, and Miss Payne's family are also very well I hope