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Dear B. Good.

I was extremely hurt at being
lately received from the Post Office a long letter which I had
directed to you in Feb. 77, but which ^{has been paid &} ~~was returned~~ ^{on}
account of the sum of two shillings having not been paid with
it. I am afraid you will have thought me backward in
congratulating you upon your late appointment, I do assure
you that it gave me as much pleasure as it could do any
of your other friends, as well on account of your increase of
salary, as your being brought so many hundred miles nearer
us; we have now reasonable hopes that you will occasionally
pay us a visit, and if for no other reason, I strongly recommend
you to come over ^{immediately} for a purpose which you and I have frequently
talked over, I mean that of selecting a favorite beauty from
the many belles who adorn this favored country, a larger
now has a very good chance of succeeding on account of the
absence of so many Red-baits, and were you but known

with the title of Sir W.^m, (which you have a right to from your
situation) I really think you would be irresistible... but seriously
you and I begin to be Old Fogies, and tho' perhaps at present
^{perhaps} and a little while longer we may continue to enjoy ourselves
most comfortably as we have done, we should consider our latter
ears, and take warning by the miserable fate of others; can
any thing be more truly foolish and wretched than the situation
of the many Old Batchelors whom we have seen at Richard's
Coffee-house, without a single person to assist them at a
time of life when they most want assistance, as a single
relation who cares for them when living, would assist
them, if dead; I follow therefore my advice, and take to yourself
an American as soon as possible, the Members of Holylands are
setting you a good example, Ford has already done it, Gooden,
Bernard Jones, and Long are about it, Long by the bye
has found a Gorling in full feather, with 30000£ down
and very considerable addition upon her mother's death.
As I have restored the Club, you will be glad to hear that it

you as well as usual, with the same worth and good humor
which I may say without vanity has always distinguished it. --
With respect to political affairs, you will be informed much
better by Newspapers than ~~from~~ you can be by any thing I can
tell you, it is certainly a most important period, and this
campaign will probably determine the fate of Europe, the
British Troops have won a most gallant victory, but
the principal share of the business has fallen to the Cavalry
who have given themselves in mortal honor, the French however
are ^{still} too numerous, and fight rather better than I could wish.
they will therefore protect the business I fear, for some time.
Whilst every exertion is made against our foreign enemy, Pitt
is just taking very active measures against several of our
internal Rascals, who have been laboring to introduce the
same horrid system into this country which has prevailed
in France, happily their views have been discovered and they
will I make no doubt be totally prevented, I always thought
most favourably of Mr. Pitt as a Minister, ~~but~~ and I think

we are most peculiarly fortunate in having such a Minister
at such a time, you will see that his good fortune, good
spirit, and good judgment will carry him thro' all his
difficulties. he is supported by a great majority in Parliament
then I believe any former Minister would have been.

I have written this letter as you perceive in a great hurry, in
order to send it by a son of Sir Rich.^d Sutton, who is just
setting out for Dublin, he is a Friend of Letters, and
thinks a good-humoured Lad, and will be proud of any
little civility a person of your high station ~~can~~ show
him. All your Friends whom I know are perfectly well.
I send you ~~some~~ desire particularly to be remembered to
you. Believe me

Dear O'good,

Y^rs. &c. most sincerely

Barth Barne,

Truly

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