

A certain little Person received a Present of a Watch about 12 o'clock just when the Morning Lesson of 3 hours were ended - The Happiness was unconceivable jumping & frisking like a little Lamb - The letter was kissed over & over by the Governess half smothered - She then ask what she could do - How my Dear - Why I wish to make you happy - I will get my History by heart, I will do any thing to make you happy - Thank You my Love - You shall compose a pretty letter & thank the Giver - but you have ^{been} busy all morning, & now we shall go out see the flowers accordingly we went to the Favourite Spot & walked & jumped till it was time to dress - then Dinner, when our little wine was served with uncommon Spirits & after our return to the Library - The Child did get two pages of this History - We then went to visit the other carriage to look an airing to the other side of the Hill towards Altham where we got a sheltered Walk & met on our return in the Lane - Our Clergyman who was coming to read at, as usual - In this pleasing Frame we arrived to she wished to shew her beautiful Present to Her Master but it was under the Carpet & the little Person came to her God's to take of the Carpet - unfortunately not understanding the intention, The God took it of to lay it on the Table - which was sadly contrary to the meaning and the Fire was kindled - The Storm was violent - declaring her poor Governess very cruel & at last that she never would never do any thing right again & Mr Watson, muchness itself was perfectly astonished as well as myself I stood still & let her go on - & when she stop'd I said, Sir I am sorry you have seen this sad Scene; you could not have supposed it - No Madam I could not & I grieve I have seen it - So am I & thought the Princess wiser Dont you think it is my Duty to furnish her with it - Most Obediently Madam - The little Person immediately called out - But you cannot furnish me with you say - No my Dear I cannot whip You - That would ruin You & be so mean I should never be able to look at You - I should not mind it I assure You - Come my Dear said I - I must not talk but do - You know

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Dow. Lady Egmont to HRH

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behaved very ill, and I am in Duty bound to try and correct you - And I think
the Punishment must be the taking away the Watch and I shall let the King
know how undeserving you are of their goodness - The Countenance began to
change - And with your Approbation Mr Westons I take away the Watch for
one week - if she ~~verily~~ is very Humble & penitent for the very great ~~transgression~~
Faults she has committed - She may perhaps see it then

The Dear Child Submitted but sob'd & wept a little which
I said could have no effect - & advised sitting down to the Lifoyn
which she did - which she did & all went on in quietness and made
no sort of demand - went to Bed with humble Silent respect.

Next morning on my giving her some little Favour of a Card her
L^d little heart softened & she wept Violently declaring herself unworthy
of my goodness & was quite Penitent & never once asked the Watch
all the time was expired -

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Anecdote of my
little Princeps