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not the Pleasure of seeing him untill two Days ago When I meet him Accidently in the Street, He enquired excessively kindly after you I may say particularly so, & seemed very glad to see me I shall certainly make up to him & make a friend of him if possible — It will also give you Pleasure to be informed that I have an Additional Employment after my Office hours, Which I fill up in keeping the Books And Accounts of a Mr Jnl. Hunter One of the first of the East India Directors, A man Who has one of the best of Characters & is worth at least £160,000 — I have heard of so many Instances of his humanity & indeed am personally acquainted with some Acts of his liberality, that I am persuaded by Mrs B. & Fanny to make my unfortunate Case known to him & from their intreaties I am almost determined to do it, knowing that I am but in the same situation supposing nothing Arises from it He is excessively kind to me, inviting me daily to his Table & indeed paying Almost as as much Attention to me as if I was upon a footing with him — Your Curiosity will be raised no doubt to know by what means I found out such a man, or rather how such a man could light upon me, Necessity is the Mother of invention & finding that one half of my time hung excessively on my hands from my Employment at the Office was Obliged to take Lodgings in Town, Which was Attended with expence, in order to make up for it I made all the enquiries possibly could amongst my Friends & Acquaintance for something or another but to no effect at last I advertised, mentioning the the Particular Business I wished to undertake & the hours I could attend which was from 3 - till 8 O'Clock — The space of a few days brought to me a letter from this Gentleman & I have now been with him 2 Months & from his behavior to me flatter myself that he feels that I have been & can continue to be of Use to him — However this does not in the