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Easton March 25th.

My dearest John.

I acknowledge, with the greatest pleasure, your letter, dated, 10 o'clock, & should have answered it immediately, but waited for you to reach, I thought Warwick. when I trust, you are by this, I am truly thankful that, you and at last, in more comfortable quarters & do long to see you at home, and you think that more to, before the all, but on the 4th and so anxious to see you. I presume by the time you reach at, you will have putted up a little, in the way of business getting on I see by Ellen &c &c. Ellen says of all things, she would have liked to have seen you just, at your indian Campaign, how Ellen has had all manner an affection of her knee, & is at this time quite lame she sends much love to you & says, of all people, in the world she wants, to see you, she says, there is no prospect at present of her coming to Wks. when I end it, you will be one of the first invited she has been confined nearly ever winter to the house, but is at lovely at ever, indeed I think E. south had weight in gold, as you may have heard I was extremely ill last June, that girls untiring Kindness & attentions, exceeded any thing I ever had = it ended my attachment, to her, was very much strengthened = I think you will feel surprised to know of my health, since my arrival, which was conjectured here, I had been delicate, tho' they say I look better, I almost despair of ever being a healthy woman.

Your brother looks very much as you left him, often talks of you & he & you were here, particularly if we have any thing nice at table. My dear sir! what hardships, you must have endured since you left