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I wrote to you ye 2^d of last Month, but as ye Ships stay longer than I expected I with pleasure embrace ye opportunity of writing to you again. But I am sorry I must complain & with reason y^t you do not seem to take ye same pleasure in writing to me for y^r last was by ye Fleet & Dated ye 26 of April I recommended it to you to write by every opportunity & I particularly mention'd ye New York Packet, two have sailed for New York since ye Fleet, ye last arrived very lately, but no letter from you, are you not much to blame? That you might always have a letter for me ready, I told you to minute down y^r thoughts of such things as it might be proper for you to communicate to me, I told you never to write to me in a hurry & in order to avoid it to prepare a letter for me at different times, I think you ought not only to observe these directions, but y^t you ought to have acquainted me you would observe them, & I again desire you will observe them. What can prevent y^r writing to me? I might excuse my not writing to you by a multiplicity of business, but yet you see I often write to you. Devote ½ an hour a day to think of & set down w^t: you may say to me, y^t makes 15 hours a Month a time more than sufficient for y^r Correspondence with me. I cannot doubt y^r love & affection for me, y^r Neglect must therefore proceed from an indolent & postponing disposition, but y^t Habit & disposition must be got over, otherwise, you will never be able to carry on y^r affairs to y^r own advantage or ye Satisfaction of those you may be concerned with. It is so disagreeable to me to say anything chiding to you, y^t I shall for ye future suffer y^r silence with patience rather than complain again on this head, especially as I see my many former admonitions have not had a proper Effect—

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