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Miscellaneous works Of The Late Philip Dormer Stanhope, Earl Of Chesterfield

Consisting Of Letters to his Friends, never before printed, And Various Other Articles

Chesterfield, Philip Dormer Stanhope of Dublin, 1777

Letter X. To The Same.

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TO THE SAME:

London, July 7, 1767.

MY WORTHY FRIEND,

A M to thank you, and I heartily do thank you, for your kind and welcome prefent. You have cloathed your old friend the Dean very richly, and fuitably to his merit, and your own present dignity; but after all the poor Dean pays dear for his own fame, fince every fcrap of paper of his, every rebus, quibble, pun and converfation joke is to be published, because it was his. It is true his Bagatelles, are much better than other people's, but still many of them, I believe, he would have been forry to have had published. How does your new dignity agree with you? do you manfully withstand the attacks of claret? or do you run into the danger to avoid the apprehension? You may set the fashion of sobriety if you please, and a singular one it will be; for I dare fay that in the records of Dublin, there is no one instance to be found of a fober high-sheriff. Remember Sir William Temple's rule, and consider that every glass of wine that you drink beyond the third, is for Foote, the only enemy that I believe you have in the world. I am fure you have a friend, though a very useless one, in,

Your faithful fervant,

CHESTERFIELD.

I hope your fair fellow traveller is well.

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