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Letter XXXIII. To The Same.

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LETTER XXXIII.

TO THE SAME.

London, June 24, O. S. 1748.

DEAR DAYROLLES,

AM very glad of what you tell me has passed between you and his grace, which, together with the trouble and expence that he has put you to, ties him down at least not to suffer you to be hurt.

Pray, how was lady Yarmouth to you? I suppose particularly civil: she has promised me to do you all the service that she can; but that indeed is not much: I wish

her power were equal to her good will.

Lord Delawar and lord Anson talk of nothing here, but of the delicacy of your table, your manner of doing the honors of it, &c. You are in the right to exert upon this occasion; but take care, however, not to run in debt; for times of bad payment may come, and in that case a small debt would soon run up to a great one. You will

laugh at my preaching occonomy to you.

The mob in Holland, I see, has got the better, and abolished the farms, which will be attended with many inconveniencies to the government, though the farms were attended with some, relatively to the people. I suppose that the scheme of the pensionary Slingelandt will be now taken up, and it is undoubtedly the best. But be it ever so good, any point, however right in itself, when extorted by the violence of the mob, is a dangerous precedent, and encourages those gentlemen to further demands, which at last can only be refused by regular force. And I prophecy that you will see, before you leave the Hague, the now-quieted mob in motion again upon some other occasion.

Baron Trenck arrived this morning, and seems to be a very civil gentleman: your gardener, a man of gravity and dignity, assures me that his taste for mutton has left him, and that there are few Surrey gentlemen so well be-

haved as he is, which I can very eafily believe.

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I cannot tell you, by the post, who the person was, whom I hinted at, as a candidate for the embassy to the Hague. Lord Holdernesse is the person strongly solicited for, from your side of the water. Should it be he, I think he would chuse to live well with you; but should it be the other, I would be bound for him, that he would be your friend, in consideration of your being mine.

Yours faithfully,

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LETTER XXXIV.

TO THE SAME.

London, July 2, 1748.

DEAR DAYROLLES,

ORD Pulteney will give you this letter: he is going to Leipfig for tome time, and will not flay long at the Hague; but during his flay there, you will oblige me in obliging him. Pray, prefent him to the prince and princess of Orange, and air him at the affemblies.

My boy goes next spring to Turin to be décrotté, which I am told he wants a good deal. Sir Charles Williams writes me word, that he is very handsome, but very aukward, has a great deal of knowledge, but no manners. Il faut remédier à cela à Turin, et à Paris, après quoi vous y mettrez la dernière main (a).

I go to Cheltenham to-morrow for a fortnight or three weeks, not for any present want of health, but by way of preservative against the autumn, when I am apt to have severs. Good night. Mademoiselle * * * does not love you better than I do.

Yours,

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(a) This must be mended at Turin and Paris, and you'll put the finishing hand to it.