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**Chesterfield, Philip Dormer Stanhope of
Dublin, 1777**

Letter XC. To The Same.

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had, and I need not have troubled you with so frivolous a commission, but that I would much rather have one who will not rob me, than one who will; and some of your servants are more likely to procure me such a one, than the people at the inn. I shall tire you so soon with my company, that I will spare you in writing, and bid you abruptly good night.

L E T T E R XC.

TO THE SAME.

Spa, June 4, 1754.

DEAR DAYROLLES,

I Am persuaded that lord Holderness's silence was merely accidental and not intended as a civil refusal of your request, which I dare say will appear, by his answer to your private letter. In that case, I shall have the pleasure of seeing you here. * * * * * If you come you shall have excellent beef and mutton, and every thing else extremely bad; for these are, as lord Foppington says, a most barbarous race of people, flap my vitals! Most of the necessaries and conveniencies of life are absolutely unknown to them; one strong instance of this is, that the old invention of a pair of bellows has never yet been heard of in the principality of Liege, but instead of it a maid, with an exceeding strong breath, as you will easily believe, blows the fire through the broken barrel of an old gun.

Ten thousand thanks and compliments from me to Mrs. Dayrolles, for the trouble she has taken to execute those commissions herself, which I only intended for her maid. My benediction to my godson, and my sincere sentiments of love and friendship to yourself; and so good night.

L E T.