

To Goddard Smith Esq at Tockenham near Wootton Bassett in Wilts.
by way of London

January 28th 1738

Sir

I am almost sorry I ever troubled you with my thing concerning the Lady, only as I really had a regard for her, and did not know any other way of declaring my value for her. As I am by all your behaviour towards me in that affair, thoroughly made to believe you are averse to any overture of that sort; I shall only desire your forgetting you have ever had any trouble upon that point. I shall continue to have a real value for the Lady, though I shall never think of giving any more trouble thereupon. I am afraid from some affairs which I have intervened I shall not be able to wait on you as I proposed, but in the Spring am to wait on Mr Walker, when likewise I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you.

Sir, I am your very obedient servant

J. Goddard

Sir

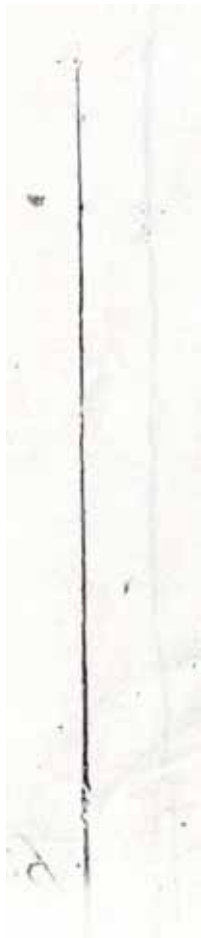
January 28th. 1738^g.

I am almost sorry I ever troubled you with any thing concerning the Lady, only as I really had a regard for her, and did not know any other way of declaring my value for her. As

I am By all your Behaviour towards me in that Affair, thoroughly made to believe you are averse to any Overture of that sort; I shall only desire your forgetting you have ever had any trouble upon that point; I shall continue to have a real value for the Lady, though I shall never think of giving any more trouble thereupon.

I am afraid from some affairs which have intervened, I shall not be able to wait on you as I proposed, But in the Spring am to wait on Mr Walter, when likewise I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you.

Sir, I am your very Obedient Servant
Godward.



To Mr Goddard Smith at Tockenham

Leave this at the Kings Arms in Marlborough, Wilts.

My dear nephew

I thought it very long since I heard from totnum [Tockenham] and when I did by Mrs Woods I was very sorry to hear that you had got the rheumatism. I shall not be easy till I do hear how you are if it be troublesome to you for to write I am sure you have some good friends with you that will be so kind as to do it for you. I thank God I have had but little of the illness this winter yet, but this week it do something mind me and makes me afraid. You must take a great care of getting cold. I do not know whether Mr Brinsdon may tell you that his daughter Mary is brought to bed with two children but they were very week when I heard from them. Be pleased to give my kind regards to my brother, my niece Jacob and all the rest of my friends with you.

Wishing you all many happy new years

is all at present from

your most affectionate and humble [servant?]

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tis very cold

Jan 1

my Dear Nephew
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my Brother my Niece Jacob and all the rest
of my friends with you wish you all merry
happy New Year is all at present from

Your most affectionate
uncle and kinsman

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Mr Goddard Smith
at Dogberyham

Lane this at the Kings
Armes in Marlborough
Hills

To

Goddard Smith Esq.

at Tottenham (sic), near Wootton Bassett

Sir

it is extremely kind of you to pick out of my letter a construction so becoming me and so much at my heart;(Persons who have lost out of their sight, what they love most, run about strangely, and talk wildly) Every expression of friendship from me is due to you and your family, they are due to a relation (one indeed). I have reason to say so, not only upon reading those good natured words of regard and affection for your tormentor (which must in some manner sooth my grief) but upon recollecting some passages in letters to Mr Froxfield [?], relating to my sister before the present alliance, than which nothing could be more humane. They are due to your ? family out? of the most agreeable principle of choice, as well as by the strongest of relations if they have the good fortune to meet with acceptance will be bestowed on a person sensible of the favour he receives. Your friendship is so valuable a possession to me (since by your good nature and calmness I have not least at? already) I will never do any thing you shall have reason not to take well of me whatsoever I suffer. You will pardon me if I could almost wish for once, it were possible you could be mistaken. I take even this utmost effort of your greatest friendship, as an instance of it, I am to value.

Your wishes upon the New family alliance are the out flowings of a kind heart and good temper. Mine likewise despise to offer themselves to you and your family, every part of which, though so ca.. a. I retain fresh in my memory.

Regard and remain, Sir

Your most obliged and most obedient servant

J. Goddard

Tidworth January 20th 1740

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acceptance, it must be a kind of Cox's Relation,
if any thing can be said, in my case, at least.
Their acceptance will be bestowed on a Person
so sensible of the favour he receives.

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Your Friendship is so valuable a Gift:
I open to me (I see his own Goodnature
and calmness) have not lost it at all:
I will never do any thing you
shall have Reason not to take well of
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Instance of it, I am to value.

Your Blessings upon the New Family
Attendance are the Fruit & Flourish of a
Kind heart, and good Temper: Mine
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to you and your Family, twenty

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Remain, and Remain, &c.

Your most obliged
most obedient Servant

Goddard

Andover, Nov 20th 1740.

To Goddard Smith Esq. at Tockenham House

I was unwilling to let go an opportunity of sending my good wishes to you and your family. I hope one of these days to be able to give[?] yourself and your family the same respect I used to do at your house and remain,

Your very humble servant

J. Goddard

Tidworth February 19th 1740

PS I hope if your affairs ever call you to Salisbury will do me the same favour you formerly did

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To Feb 22
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at Greenham
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Your very humble servant
 J. Goddard

Wilmouth
 February 14th. 1740.

... I hope of yr Affairs are not
 too tedious, I will do me the
 same favour, you for nearly dead