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According to my Uncle John's plan he must now be in the Country
 if you are writing mention my abode and that he shall see when
 I am a little settled.

Dresden May 14th 1831.

Dear Uncle
 You doubtless received mine from Thomas and
 my Aunt one from Berlin since that I have made what
 the Criticisms call a long hop, but I am happy to say that
 I am now safe, the Springs ^{is my} the day is to come, yet still
 it rejoices me, I have had a very delightful journey but
 I am tired of a carriage and perpetual motion. I was disappointed
 at not finding a Letter from you either at Berlin, Dresden or
 Frankfurt to the best you may have written since I left,
 in a few days I hope Mr. Cook will send me one, as I quite want
 news from England. You shall soon have my history, the Cap
 saw me off from Berlin, I made my entry into Dresden the
 next evening in time for the Opera, the day after was employed in
 taking observations of the Town, though sorry to differ from your
 opinion I think it is very much overrated, especially the Bridge
 view, the environs are pretty, as the weather was so fine I was
 tempted to prolong my stay one day and visit the Saxon High
 it was very well rewarded, it was the whole requires three or
 four days, but one gives a very good idea of the scenery.
 I was lucky in my time, for the lakes were all out to the beauty beautiful.
 The next day the 1st of May I started, & made a 100 miles which is
 the most I have yet done. I came through Bautzen, Bismberg and
 Wurtzburg and reached Frankfurt early on the 5th; I have to thank

Captain Lawrence. For the time, most of the country was very
pretty, the first day particularly. About 10 o'clock the vines
were coming into leaf. Having the vines on my left and corn on
on the right most of my journey. I could improve myself on both
subjects, but my Agricultural ideas were not greatly enlightened.
Corns looked well and was out in places, the corn was not of course
yet for me to tell, but the size of which I saw a vast quantity
I thought looked ~~very~~ considering the fat land it grew upon.

M^r Cook was very civil to me. I dined with ~~him~~ the day
I arrived. I applied to him about a servant, he knew of one
who was honest &c but he was a German, knew a little French
& no English, this was not the sort of person to go on
hunting with, so I agreed with M^r Smith that he should stay
on, but that I should be more particular that his manners were
civil as he was so easily offended by that of other people.
I was the more driven to this as M^r Cook advised me to be
cautions about taking a servant from there. A young girl called
came up to me in the street, having heard that I was in want of
help he recommended himself, he could speak for French & Italian
and to crown all added and said: 'I am an Englishman too.'
Having just before settled the matter with Smith, I found the
youth that notwithstanding my love for my country men I
could not employ him, having no need of the services of more than
one gentleman. He afterwards came to beg something to help him over the
Mt. Breakfast I was just informed of his. If Mr. and the election,
M^r Cook's admission to the Captains enabled me to make up my bed
time a little, since then I have been quite in the dark and expect the day
with impatience when 'Chagrin' will advise which I have believed M^r Justice
to send.

Mt. Breakfast. I remained three days left it on Sunday the 8th for ~~Switzerland~~
where I was determined to see an Opera having missed it going, the
Bard and House are certainly writing a better Town, it is only to
survive a few months longer, the people are tired of the expense.
About the Stage before Strasbourg I changed my destination, my
idea till then was to try France, from that moment however I settled
Switzerland would be better, so I crossed to see Strasburg & crossed
the next day 12th at Biele and in two more days reached it, where
I wanted much to stay as it seems such a pretty place. I was
to the Clergyman who had received young years, he was a very gentlemanly
man & I was sorry that his marriage had caused him to grow up.
I could hear of nothing else likely, the people there are too rich, the
16th I reached this early. I suppose you know it, at the lower end of
the Lake of Neuchâtel, the sole thing is its fatness that I can get.
The discover is that there is not as high land in it, the Clergyman is
to take me in pension, the family only himself & wife and a young boy
a son of Gen. Biron I think the same is, was under his care. For his health
He has been in England & understands a little English, which is useful.
I hope I shall get on with him for it is a sad pleasure to live in such
a place as this appears to be, it's dark with the Lake & Marsh all
round it, the Frogs make a most insufferable noise, Milton tells
of these animals months being that about half the year, they certainly
make up for lost time, I heartily wish they were all choked, you
hear them over the whole Town. I have not yet seen a gentleman,
except two or three rough old officers who pick up clean the ~~little~~.
They do nothing but shoot with rifles yesterday evening & this, then he
has an excellent gun. My Tutor is quite a sporting character, I
shall at any rate become a good shot under his tuition. Today he with
Lawrence but I start tomorrow so I hope my next will give a better
account of the place. My Tutor is full hearted so if I don't like it I shall
move on, there is a very fine view of the Lake & Marshes
but I believe there are too many English, if French does well I will stay
but in case I want to move, if you hear of any good situation far
from English I should be very much obliged if you will take me to your next
We live down on the hills near it, but a short walk gives a view of the sea mountains.

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