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Thursday Evening

Dear Margaret,

I write this note because  
on reflecting on what I said  
respecting speaking to your  
father, I fear that it was  
not as wise as it might  
have been; and though  
I am sure that in this  
you can act for yourself  
better than I can direct  
you, yet as what I said  
may mislead, you will  
excuse me for again to =

thing you will this subject

I spoke of asking your  
father's advice, it would  
have been nearer the  
mark to have said his  
sympathy and counte-  
nance; and if these  
can be obtained at all,  
the best way to get them  
will be by frankly and  
serious opening your mind  
to him, telling him your  
own views and mine



and desiring him to think  
as favourably as he can.

I am sure that if you  
can do this, you will not  
regret it, even although  
you should fail in attaining  
any satisfactory result;  
and it may be a step  
towards extricating us from  
present difficulties.

You see in this case I  
wish you to plead for me  
as well as to ask advice  
for yourself. I know this

is scarcely a fair request,  
but I have hope that  
when I have failed you  
may succeed, and therefore  
I make bold to trouble  
you with this also.

I am yours sincerely  
William

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