

Tell Mrs W. I have watered her Plants and all look
well - The four Kendal remembrances are very flourishing
- Your Mother says she has no message but she loves
to see you every day - The Boys desire
love & Duties to all bodies - Pray make my
kind and respectful remembrances to all at
Salisbury - some my Cousins of my affection

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Mr. Finck

regards - I often wish to hear Marys sweet Mother
and Elizabeth Woodlings - but it cannot be - I can
bid them adieu - Mr. Newton is coming to read a letter
to me and I must conclude - With every good wish
for yourself & Mrs. Williams believe me my dear friend
Yours very affectionately
Edmund Rolfe Finck

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(From Dorset)

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What a long day was yesterday! Every shower
that fell, made me doubly uncomfortable; I feared
for your face; and more lest Mrs W. should take
because I felt convinced, I deserved the blame in
using so much persuasion - Saml. did not return
till tea time; but I was so happy to hear you
were gone on in a Post Chaise, sheltered from the wet,
that I forgot how anxious his delay had made
me - Your good Mother, very kindly lent me the
letter to read this morning; and I can truly and
sincerely say, I have not derived more pleasure
from the perusal of any one for a long time -
- I trust this will meet you happy; in the
society of so many dear Friends and hope with
all my heart, my Cousin may be perfectly
recovered from his indisposition - I shall look
forward with more than usual pleasure for
the opening of the Post to-morrow: as I hope to

have a line from you - To say I am dull is
unacceptable as I had, my conduct has sufficiently shown
how dear, to me, is the presence of all my Witham
Friends - I am sure it will give you
pleasure to hear your Mother's Cold is better,
and your decubitus well, and merry, as
usual - After breakfast yesterday I read
them "The True & many Friends" and two or
three more of Gay's Fables, they were very good
and happy - In the afternoon they drank
tea at Mr. Butler's; where I heard them much
admired Mrs. B. said William had been the
best of boys - I promised them each a
halfpenny if they were good - W. came and
claimed it - little Jig ran after him & said
to me "I wish I been pretty middling - you
"give me one halfpenny"

- Mr. Newton has been in for a walk in
the Garden - he is just now full of a Letter
from Hamburg which he had seen in the English
Chronicle - It contains an account of the signing
of the Preliminaries; and even the terms of Peace!!

but he did not forget to advise his remembrance
to all at Solington - Last Night some person or
persons wickedly, maliciously, and with an evil
intent, entered the garden of Mr. Pettigrew situated
in Witham: and there did damage, and injure, a
Bed of Pease, by treading them down & pulling
up the sticks that supported them: And also did
steal & carry away, many plumbs of the kind
called Moguls, from off a Tree standing near the
Sun Dial: and likewise broke down a young
Cherry Tree near thereto. - Such my dear
appear to be the consequences of your absence
the Law no longer present there, in terroring
Lesse of Honesty departed and I am very
sorry to say they carried off a ~~very~~ considerable
portion of the fruit - Mr. Gray says he shall
ask every body in Witham & if he finds the
naughty Man will certainly send him to
Chelmsford Jail - Jacob says - "Tell my Papa
naughty body steal Papa's Plumbs" - Except
however the loss of them I believe the damage
was but little - Nothing particular has
happened in the Office since your Departure