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My dear Mr. Farbridge

In the depths of
shame for the delay in
acknowledgment, please
accept the best of thanks
for your kind letter & for
the delightfully welcome
present from Devonshire,
which with a judicious
combination of any sort of
James - even their humbler
sister Marmalade - suggests
at once a word not to be
found - at least as I know -
in any dictionary - The

word "Golopious!!!" and we
both - Darby & Joan - revelled
in it accordingly.

Guthrie came for a chat
last Friday & told me that
you were home again - to
find - it is to be hoped - the
painters - & all their works -
departed, & "poor Bernards"
in his right mind, & well -
we likewise have been in
the agonies of "Spring cleaning" -
not only inside but outside
the house, & only got finished
on Saturday - however, we
are quite smart again now -
& I am not yet in a lunatic
asylum - which, at the old

says - is "tidings of comfort
and joy."

All the same - this is a
fine specimen of an idiotic
letter - which I can only pray
you to forgive - & with ever
kindest regards & all good
wishes to Bernardo & yourself -
in which my sister desires
to join - I remain as always -

Very sincerely yours
John Tenniel