

Dear Lady Chatterton

I regret that
I was unable to follow myself
the pleasure of joining either
of the parties to which you
so kindly invited me.

The demands of
my workshop almost
scarcely me to my house.

Yours faithfully

Dorset St
March 4th

C. Babbage

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My dear Madam,

Before Mr Harding, the painter, leaves me, I should much wish to have drawings made from 3 or 4 of your portraits — & wish therefore to borrow them for that purpose — & I promise you to return them carefully as soon as done with.

I want

1. My grandfather Egerton.
2. Sir John Roberts.
3. Lady Howe.
4. Lady Hamilton —

& I should take it as a particular favour if John would lend me the one of my grandfather Brydges, which I promise him to return faithfully — I will send a cart for them, if Thomas will pack them carefully.

Your affectionate Son
J. Brydges.

Done Sept. 26. 1803.