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My dear father,

I received your affectionate letter yesterday, I have just time to write a few lines to tell you how much I thank you - For this you have received my letter which I entreated my father to be desired here for the two following months I yet beg you will grant it, I gave enough reasons, & told you the advantages remaining from it - I retract however what I said about staying at Mr. Hollingsworth I would be a great deal with him but I could not prevail on myself to leave my Mother under whose protection I am - I beg you will not think I will

as upon re-consideration I thought
it would not be as proper. Let it pass
as if I had not spoken of it, Do not
say any-thing of it to Beeby, for per-
haps she would be apt to think
I wished to leave her - the bell rings
for breakfast & I must obey -

But believe me
Ever & forever yours
Chloe.

A. A. Hoffman

So answer me soon my dear
father & say "yes" to what I ask
now —

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