

Freiberg in Upper Saxony.

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My Dear Manning.

October. 6th 1790.

A thousand times have I lamented leaving England without seeing you and a thousand times reproached myself for not having seen written. These reproaches my dear Manning are feelings of kindness and therefore this relation cannot be superfluous: if you have nourished one unkind sentiment against me for this omission, let these feelings atone. I had formed plans of seeing Cambridge before my departure but delayed it so long that it became impossible. What are you doing? — are your *Thematicks* still the same? — Have you visited your studies? — or made new discoveries for the amusement of freshmen or moderators? Who are your acquaintances? tell me in short every thing that concerns you.

Will you return these inquiries? I will anticipate some of them. I am at this time at Freiberg a small town in Upper Saxony 20 english miles from Dresden: ^{where I have resided 2 months} where I have already resided one month. At Dresden I became acquainted with Adeling and in the course of conversation one day he informed me that Werner the author of the mineralogical system which is at present so

popular throughout Europe resides here. as it is that
part of natural history in which the Germans have
particularly excelled I thought it proper to make my-
self acquainted with it and instantly determined to
pay Werner a visit. I was pleased with his manners
and appearance and ~~was~~ agreed to take a course of lec-
-tures from him which is not yet completed. With
this science I am combining its sister Chemistry & reading
for that purpose with a professor Laufferius well known
in the chemical world for his talents and expe-
rience. In the mean time the literature of Germany
is not neglected and I entertain myself with Wieland,
Goethe, Herder &c. Maria is employed in learning
the Language and has made considerable progress.

Freiburg is a kind of university, it is surrounded by silver
mines. This has given rise to a mining Academy here
in which there are professors &c.

Since I left you I have also visited Bohemia.
The mountains & valleys have delighted me. The wildness
and romantic beauties of a thousand spots have often

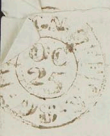
made me believe that I lived only in romances and I know not that I could have had a greater delight than I should have felt by having you with me to admire this wildness and delight in these beauties.

I sincerely hope that when I return to England we shall be able to make some arrangement which will bring us nearer together. reflect on this morning, consider whether my plan be practicable which may thus conduce to our mutual happiness. I would give any great pleasure and I think I may say I believe that, it would be equally agreeable to you as to the German character. really it is so despicable as some proud english or french-men are apt to imagine. There is a good deal of ignorance, a good deal of stiffness of manners, a good deal of court formality and not so much openness and sincerity as in England. occasionally however people are found with a great deal of information, extensive reading, and active minds. Write home soon & tell me every thing.

Y^r very truly,

George Fullille.

Love to Davy.



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 in Dresden.