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Madam, I thought it good for me to write something to your Ladyship though I wrote the less, least by not writing I should seem to forget that duty, which I justly owe unto your Ladyship. I understand almost every week by Mr Stringer of your Ladyship's good health & my father's, which I am very glad to hear of. I myself am somewhat sickly. Some persuade me, that it is to a good end. My own experience (as your Ladyship knows) is small to judge. Sure I am, there is yet no certainty of that they say. Yet I hope well, & I pray to God I be not deceived of my hope. Thus with humble remembrance of my duty to my father I take my leave, wishing your Ladyship long to live in perfect health.

Anne Bacon Anne Bacon

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