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Your obliging letter of Oct. last gave me  
 no small pleasure, for I could not but be  
 highly flattered and glorified by your kind  
 wish, however unavailing your attempt  
 has been, to draw me near to you.

As to the inconvenience of my present situa-  
 tion, a man would be apt to think me un-  
 reasonable for intending to leave Berlin at all;  
 for, as I think I have already told you, I get  
 money enough here; and if there be any  
 honour in teaching royal personages, I have  
 enough of that too. But royalty is not  
 very generous here, and altho' Berlin abounds  
 in enlightened people, among the middle