# Juliet Smith an August Wilhelm von Schlegel Piercefield House (Chepstow), 29.07.1790

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### Sir

I am extremely obliged, for the account you had the goodness to write me of my Son – so far from its being trifling to me, I assure you it was highly interesting, & I thank you for entering so much into the feelings of a Mother – I have always flatter'd myself, that my Son's disposition was naturally good; the greatest failing I ever observed in him, was an extreme Indolence, but I hope from the kind attention you pay to him, & from the example which a Gentleman of your Character will be sure to set him, that will be conquer'd – & that I shall have the joy of seeing him an Amiable Man! – He appears to have a great wish for a Military Life, & tho' it is not exactly what the Father of a large family would wish for his eldest Son, yet M<sup>r</sup>. Smith is so desirous of contributing all he can to his happiness, that he has consented to his desire – it will now be necessary to change the course of his Studies & to leave off Arabic & Persich –

[2] I am happy in this opportunity Sir, of expressing the great satisfaction M<sup>r</sup>. Smith & I have at your return to my Son, & of thus assuring you we are extremely Sensible of the delicate & Gentlemanlike manner in which you withdrew yourself from him – We hope he will prove his Gratitude for your generous Conduct, by his respectful attention, & endeavors to make your situation as pleasant to you as he can –

M<sup>r</sup>. Smith desires his Compliments -

I am with great Respect Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

J. Smith

I hope you will excuse a very hasty scrawl as I write in Company, which prevents  $M^r$ . Smith's writing to you himself.

### Namen

Smith, George

Smith, George Thomas

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