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I have written you, my dear Maria, four letters since I have been here, and I have received from you only two. you owe me two then, and the present will make three. This is a kind of debt I will not give up. you may ask how I will help myself? by petitioning a per aunt, as soon as you receive a letter to make you go without your dinner till you have answered it. how goes on the Spanish? how many chickens have you raised this summer? send me a list of the books I have promised you at different times, tell me what sort of weather you have had, what sort of crops are likely to be made, how your uncle & aunt, & the family do, and how you do yourself. I shall see you in September for a short time. Adieu, my dear Poll.

Yours affectionately



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