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My dear Hannah

By this tender though familiar appellation, permit me to begin, as I wish to continue my written correspondence with you. I mentioned that, at the conclusion of the Court here, I would either see you in Boston, or write to you, if I could not have the pleasure of seeing you. To this last expedient I now see, as it were apprehended, that, in all probability, I must be confined. But why should I delay writing till the conclusion of the Court? Why should not my pen sooner take up a theme so constantly present to my thoughts? When I find it so difficult to delay writing, you may easily judge how much I long for an answer. Do let that answer be speedy and favourable. Let it assure me to think and call you mine. Remember what I told you on this subject. One letter next by the next post, will reach me before I leave this place. With emotions of the purest and warmest attachment, I am,

My dear Hannah,

Your affectionate,

James Wilson

MISS Hannah Grey

Newport, 20th June 1793
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