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1768, February 15: Charles Moore [tutor] to Thomas Hall



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Mr Moore's Feb 17 68



To

Thomas Hall Esq<sup>r</sup>  
in Dean-Street,  
John.

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As I can easily imagine your solicitude to hear how your Sons & Mr Williams go on here, I will no longer delay writing to you. I am happy to be able to give you such an account of them, as can't fail of proving very agreeable to you & all those who are concern'd in their good behaviour. They abide very close by their good resolution of employing the mornings in Study. They attend Mr Postlethwaite's Lectures on Algebra from 9 to 10, & have with me the rest of the Morning. We are reading Logic, which is generally the first Science attended to here & is admirably well calculated to open the Understanding & divest the mind of false prejudices, as likewise to teach a man to reason clearly & detect the fallacies of others. A Course of Lectures in Experimental Philosophy begins very soon at 3 o'clock, which I hope they will attend, as I certainly shall myself. Their Music-Master comes to them at 5, so that their time will be sufficiently employ'd, if they will but keep as constantly & regularly to business as they have hitherto done & which it would be injurious to them to suppose they will not. The Company they are falling into by degrees is such, as I think you will have no objection to; & your Son Hugh is most highly to be commended for the resolution & spirit he has exerted in avoiding the invitations & solicitations of his former Acquaintance.

it becomes him to behave with civility & complaisance to all with whom he was formerly connected, but I hope I may now venture to assert that he will have no intimacy with the least deserving of them. - One only excepted (which was a very sober one) he hath spent every Evening within the Walls of our own College; and all three seem inclin'd to cultivate an acquaintance chiefly in our own Society, which I am sure is the most prudent scheme, particularly at first setting out.

As to what concerns myself, their obliging behaviour is by no means lost upon me; I thank them for it & hope I shall continue to deserve it. I wish them always to consider me in the light of a Friend, whom a few years more experience than their own in College-matters may have taught, what kind of behaviour seems best calculated to form the Gentleman. -

I understand that our new appointed Master Dr Hinchliffe is a particular acquaintance of Mr Dehaneys, which will certainly recommend the young Gentlemen to his notice & favour. -

I remain, Sir, desiring Compliments to Miss Hall, your obedient Servant Charles Moore.

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