

Dlementine Royal Oak - Bay of Measles - Dec 4<sup>th</sup>

wright was the bearer of a number  
of agreeable letters. I do indeed enjoy yr  
the society of Geo. Salt but patience, I will  
not stay here long - dont stint yourself let me  
beg, indulge your generous propensities, now is  
the time - as you say Maria may as well  
have her own way, indeed she will take it,  
unless you visit Scotland in the spring  
with your father. I should much approve  
we should embrace every occasion to  
keep up our knowledge by personal  
interviews, with our near and dear friends.  
I have told Maria that I have not every wish  
for the room to be made till my return  
only to bear in mind that it is one  
of my schemes. The best way may  
be put in order that is the back kitchen  
and a stable at the end of it.  
I wish you and I were now disputing  
by the side of the river as to the best  
mode of amusement, I would ever  
begin for a regular defiance of Maria  
for the pleasure of being near you.  
you had best ~~not~~ indulge your Cockney  
taste during my absence