

Transcription of letter from Mary Talbot possibly to Mrs Davenport, undated

2664/3/2B/56 No.6

I am sorry to find by Sister Ivorys letter that mine did not reach you; the cross post has fail'd often, of late, so I send this by London; I'me truly concern'd that Dear Harry has seen out of order again: & heartily pittty you, that are so fond of him; but I hope he will soon be well for your comfort; I bless God all mine keeps so; but my little girl don't thrive at all, her legs are not bigger then ones thumb, we design sending her to Bath this season, in hopes she may find as much benefits as her B^r; Mr Talbot desires his service to you & Mr Davenport, he admires that he does not hear from him, he writ two letters from London, & two since; & not one word of answer to them, I have no news to send you more then last week Mrs Rolt surprised me in coming to dine here with Mr Earnley, she cou'd not look upon me, nor any of her neighbours, in her prosperity, but nothing now is so obliging to all, & every one, is made a confident, she is turn'd out of Spy Park by Mr Rolt who' has put six lusty fellows in y^e house to keep possession; he is in London with Madam Noon: they are going to law & she has sworn the peace against him & amongst other things, has taken her oath before a Master of Chancery & Mr Earnley, that she never wrong'd his bed; so that Mr Earn: thinks her a saint. She boards at Mr Norris's; I must send you some London news, as well as sister Ivory did me, & something more extraordinary Lady Bab Leigh is half gone with Child to their no small joy I believe, for Mr Leigh tells Ma.. woman, & Child, of it: I was to see ... Madam yesterday, who inquired much after you all; there I met a cousin of mine, I never see before, Mr Stradling, who' is about twice as big as Beelze, & full as ugly; I believe I have quite tyred you with this long epistle, but hope you will pardon this, & all faults in dear Sister y^r very affectionate

Humble servant
M Talbot

My service to all
Mr Talbot w.... this post
to S^{is} Ivory ,, ,,,vented my doing so.