

= in the connubial state, &
I cannot forbear often to indulge
the comparison, between her I wish
most happy, and her I always
pity - This reflection leads me
to admire that solicitude, which
you express in your letter for
my dear sisters education, I,
as well yourself feel much in-
= trusted for her (my fond affec-
= tion perhaps) causes me to
think, I can discover ^{in her} a lively,
genius & facetious & generous
temper, in union with a bene-
= volent heart. But the cul-
= tivation of these which form
the manners and character in
life, I sometimes fear may be
neglected by reason of the ab-
sence of a guardianship.
Domestic news I have not
much. would I had more for
I know your anxiety to hear
of ^{them} so long estranged from you.