

20. Don't omit any parade
of that kind. Keep up all
your consequence my precious
Wife. — visit your neigh-
bors (particularly James, &
family.) Communicate such
parts of my letters as will
amuse your friends — Con-
vince them of my attention
to you — tell 'em how much
I love you (if you can.) I
am ambitious to evince to
all the world that I am
not a lukewarm, indifferent
husband — but that my affection
is of the true old-fashioned kind.

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21.
that it increases by absence.
— Do me justice — I'll give
you leave to brag of me.
— I do of you upon all occasions.
I have the sincerest pleasure
in saying ten times a day —
that there is not so constant
or so affectionate a wife in
the world, as my own. —
my good old mother has told
me within these five minutes
that she longs to see you. —
all my relations anxiously
& ardently wish to embrace
you. I cannot describe how
passionately fond they were of
our dear little Boy. There