Transcription of letter from Mary Talbot to Henry Davenport, May 1718

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Your letter to day pleased me much better then your last, for when I consider'd how punctual I had been, in giving an account of my dear Child, & then to have it laid to my charge that I was the occasion of his illness, or any of the family, was a little hard I think; but yours to day was sufficient to pacyfie me, were I more angry then I was, & sometimes I believe I shall make you angry a purpose to have as agreeable a letter; I thank you for your advice, but I had rather go out of the house then suffer a box on the ear from such a slut; tho' she suckles my babe: but cou'd it do him any good she shou'd give me a hundred: I was extremely concern'd to see how languishing a condition my mother is in, we have sent every day to bath to know how she does, & to day Monsieur Luree was here & said she was something better, I pray God she may recover it, but I fear it indeed: I have not time to say more, then that I beg you wou'd not greive me more, for you can't think how much I have been, I am my dear beelze your very affectionate

Sister M Talbot