Mrs Torrence presents her compliments to the American Minister & regrets much that on Friday next, Lady Cust is engaged to go to the fancy ball at the French Embassy & as she will have to leave home at eight o'clock. Mrs. Torrence fears that it will be no use to [fix] on that day. Perhaps Mr. Buchanan and Miss Lane, and Mr. Welsh might be disengaged on Wednesday the 17th or Saturday the 20th Inst. – on either of which days Mr. And Mrs. Torrence would be delighted to see them, & Lady Cust would have the pleasure of meeting them.

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