

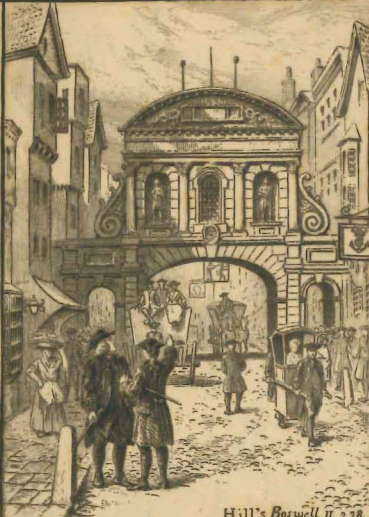
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and give these to Fanny - & Fanny
will give that w^{ch} belongs to her sister,
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kiss — there's for you!

— but I have some thing else for
you, which I am fabricating at a great
rate, & that is my Journey, which shall
make you cry as much as ever it
made me laugh - or I'll give up the
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write to the Body

— That is Hannah! what
I am doing in writing to you - but you
are a good Body, & that's worth half
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upon mine

I am Y^{rs} L. Standa

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LAURENCE STERNE, A. L. S., [15 November 1767,]
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L. Shandy

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Notes: 1. Hannah has not been identified.

2. *A Sentimental Journey Through France and Italy* came out in 1768.

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STERNE'S LETTERS

Sir,—As I am editing the letters of Laurence Sterne, I beg the honour of space in your columns to ask for information from your readers respecting any of Sterne's autograph letters that may have escaped my search. I am particularly anxious to uncover the letters Sterne wrote to the Rev. Daniel Watson, vicar of Leake, Yorks, and to Eliza Draper. These, it is known, were formerly in the possession of their descendants. I shall be most grateful for any assistance which your readers will be kind enough to give me.

Yours,

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