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E. C. C. E.

Sir

In the first letter I merely alluded to Wm. now
my friend, I have great anxiety for his future, and
as you have influence with him, please kindly
impress on him the vital importance of Truth &
punctuality, a strict and prompt compliance
with promises is necessary to confidence, he has
habits of wasteful Extravagance which he should
check, he promised me he was done with Polly,
but it is hard to break off, he could be to his
Mother & me a great Comfort, if he could & would
only see his true interest, may I beg of you
(you know how), to impress seriously on him
(of course without his knowing I have written)
good Fatherly advice, he has fine feeling & is generous
to a fault, but his habit of neglect & procrastination
is serious, all promises should be kept, I
know you will do all you can to further his
best interest and for which you will ever
have a Father's thanks

Very Truly
J. T. Bruce