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This volume, chiefly made up from her letters, testifies to the sweetness of her disposition and the strength of her family affections. The letters deal with little else than her love for her mother, her husband, her children and her devotion to the memory of her father, of whom she speaks in hyperbole which would be extravagant and unpleasing in any one but so tender a daughter. Domestic details abound—rather too much, for they cause the volume to grievously smack here and there of bread and butter. The letters have evidently been too rigorously edited, and in many cases the resolution of family details is somewhat twaddling. There is little in the volume that can be of value to the historian or to the student of manners—a strange thing to say concerning the letters of an exceptionally clever woman written during a period filled with wars, with diplomacy, with triumphs of science and of literature. The Princess's biographer, and her sister, claim for her great political sagacity; but this is not revealed in these letters, which represent her as looking upon the changes of European politics merely with the eyes of a loving woman concerned for the safety and happiness of her own family and of her relatives in other courts.

During most of her wedded life the Princess was poor. There was no suitable house for the young pair in Darmstadt, and the erection of a palace took most of the money that the Grand Duke, then Prince Louis, could scrape together. The Princess had to endure many privations and she met them with an admirable courage and cheerfulness. Her industry and activity were unfailing; of her children she took a personal charge, such as few women of society would essay. She taught them, she sewed for them, she trained them in simplicity, she washed and dressed her plump German babies. She writes to her mother about her little girls, that she strives to bring them up totally free from pride of their position, "which is nothing save what their personal worth can make it," and she adds: "I feel so entirely as you do on the difference of rank, and how all important it is for princes and princesses to know that they are nothing better or above others save through their own merit; and that they have only the double duty of living for others and of being an example—good and modest." Her motherly wisdom was of the most wholesome sort. She gave to her little ones tastes that were pure and high. "All my children," she writes to the Queen, "are great lovers of nature, and I develop this as much as I can."

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