

or affection, is a great step to gain; for
human nature is prone to partiality.

I did not see all these things as clearly
when I was with you as I now do; &
I thought too, that I was quite right in
my ideas about things, but the best are
liable to slip at some times, & not hardly
know ^{what} the cause was neither, but I have
found out that there are two influences al-
ways at strife with each other, & they cre-
ate party feelings, & generate uncomforta-
ble thoughts that finally grow into real
facts, & sets one soul at a distance from
another without any just grounds for it.

My dear Sister, I have been a re-
-viewing my accounts; as to how I left
my companions, & affairs that had
been my calling to take the charge of,
I see where I had made a great mis-
-take in my dealings with you, &
have deprived you of many happy
hours as well as myself, that we might