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# Lady Mary Wortley Montagu (1689-1762)

(née Mary Pierrepont; English writer, aristocrat and socialite, daughter of a duke; eloped with Edward Montagu; travelled with him to Turkish embassy, introduced smallpox inoculation in England; feminist socialite and self-educated woman of letters, "Sappho" in Pope's satire; mother of Lady Bute; eloped to the Continent; l. in France and Italy until her husband's death; cheated by mercenary younger lovers, d. of cancer in England)

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