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TOURZEL, Marie-Charlotte- Pauline-Joséphine du Bouchet de, comtesse de Béarn

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According to Cuisin, recalling the *douceurs de vivre*, in Marie-Antonette's pavillon de Flore, “là, par exemple, au lever de Sa Majesté, peignait au pastel mademoiselle Tourzel, fille d'honneur de la Reine”. Mme de Tourzel, gouvernante des Enfants de France, had several daughters; this was probably Pauline de Tourzel, later comtesse de Béarn, who accompanied the royal family during their imprisonment. An ink drawing, signed “dessiné par de Tourzel 1785”, may be by her, but no pastel has survived.

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