

Phil^a - October 21st - 1837

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Weeping may endure for a
night but joy cometh in the
morning" This joy but morning
my dearest Minnie brought me
the intelligence that our Sara
has another son, and that she
is well as can be expected -
better than usual under similar
occasions. her babe was born at
six o'clock on Sunday morning, my
letter written at 9 in the evening.
Saying Sara was cheerful and
has a fair prospect of soon regaining
her strength. May God verify these
good hopes. I with all her exertions,
Dear Sara, had many fears. That
the trials of the past year, might
produce unfavorable effects, but
Harry writes with unusual ani-
-mation & gratitude, on her happy
safe delivery. he says she has a
good appetite, has just awakened
from a refreshing sleep, and con-
tinue to all, hoping she shall soon

be able to write herself. Her
son is to be named Horace, and
his God-father invited to attend on
Sunday next. How thankful
my dear Miriam, is my heart at
this moment - what a weight of care
is thus removed! and Dr. Edmund
too, escaped the perils of the sea,
and receiving the tender sympa-
thy of our affectionate Presby.
Truly we have much cause for
gratitude! I thank you darling,
for your sweet letter. I thank you
Dear husband too for his, yet
unacknowledged favor - still I
know ^{not} how to answer his yours
satisfactorily. I should not have
been so tardy, I am very certain
there is nothing wanting in the
holy cause. Its defective adminis-
tration, we can only ascribe to the
false position we hold among other
nations - the ignorance or presump-
tion of ministers & the imperfections
of our own nature. "we are a people

people." God decreed we should
be so, as a mark of his favor—
and we have prevented the boon,
by a cowardly shrinking from our
merited punishment—which is
to lead us under correction to
a glorious future destiny.
"we are told we shall be a bye word
& scorn during our probation—let
us live down this reproach, that
we may sooner realize the better
prophecy—

I hope Gratz's boots have become
easier to him, and will answer
the good object: he is a brave boy
and will bear the inconvenience.
I am glad to hear Mrs Coker is
improving in health—sister has
just recovered from a cold which
kept her in bed three days, and
debilitated her strength very much.
She bid me send her best love
to you & Gratz—he quite won her
heart, by his kind attention & agree-
able conversation, she said yesterday
he was the best companion she was
witness of his age. "that dear boy"—

we have not yet heard of Rosas
reaching Waterwich, she was a whole
week in N. York. and then went to
West-Point, where she met her father
whose business might detain him
to an inconvenient length of time
for her visit home - I do not expect
her here, until Horace comes back
from N.Y. where he expects to go by
the 11th of Nov^r. of course he cannot
be in Montreal next week - Julia
has not yet arrived, nor do I know
when to expect her - it depends on
the Miss Hoffmans who are at the Gap.
your Uncle Jo is well & sends his
love. Horace wrote you yesterday.
Edmund did not come here. He has
the gout. With you give my best
love, to your best Beloved & your
children. Fanny & Lucie Minis dined
with us yesterday, the family are
all well. disappointed at the stoppage
of the Stornicos, but I should think
it reasonable to hazard as you did
at this season - than to tempt the
stormy sea - May God Bless you & all
my dear children, and make you
faithful & happy observers of his laws
ever your affectionate Bro.