

Philadelphia May 30<sup>th</sup> 1817

My Dear Betsy

Your letter of yesterday gave us all much pleasure - as intelligence of the amendment in your dear brother's health - is most gratifying to all his friends here - who anxiously wait for the Bulletin - which takes its course regularly - tho' not according to seniorship - as Rachel's impatience knows no bounds - I hope each day will strengthen him - and his usual good spirits return - with all their vigour - Simon thinks we best tell you - that you should not hasten home, or run any risk of traveling in bad weather - as a few days longer sojourn in New York - will be of little consequence - and perhaps too early ~~exercise~~ improve your invalid - but you, and the doctors will be best able judges - of the prudence of his movements - all here are quite well - and every thing goes on smoothly in your house - we were disappointed in not getting whitewashing done this day - but as the weather is so lowering so not regret it - but expect the beginning of the week to have your chamber in readiness <sup>for him</sup> you misunderstood me about Mr. G. Grancha - he only dined here the day I wrote - had no intention of lodging any where then at the Mansion House - Mr. J. Hays would have been here to dinner this day - but I believe left town this morning - I merely was introduced to him the day he called to accompany Simon to Washington so cannot venture an opinion on one who is thought so pre-eminent in grace and elegance - we rode out to see Straminta who had been indisposed - we



found her better - attended to her getting all she required -

Tuesday we walked to the orphan house - Mrs Hall had been kept up all the night before - with poor little Robert - but he was well enough that day - to be out of bed - tho' he had no hopes of his getting better - and yesterday came an invitation for you to attend his funeral, this afternoon - the little sufferer is most mercifully released from this world - I told Mrs H. if any thing was required, that I would attend to it during your absence - I am surprised at your not receiving letters yesterday as several were sent to the office - we supposed in time for the mail - rest assured all are well here - there was a letter from Hyman - who was well - but does not mention when he will return - the almost deserted mansion, I trust will be peopled soon again - and we shall welcome most gladly home the dear trio at Edinburgh -

I am pleased to see that your friend Mrs Hoffman is in better health - present my love to her - I hope you will not be too much confined - but walk out whilst in that famous city ~~on your return~~ - Isaac is expected very minute his usual aversion to answering questions will be put to the test - as I expect they will be numerous indeed - the rain of yesterday prevented our seeing any persons out of the house - the weather alone confines us to it - so you need not fear our being too domestic - Morna was just here, sends you her love - and congratulations on your recovery - to both your brothers present mine - God bless you my dearest Becky  
I am ever your affectionately I M 6  
I am sending much love -



There are letters remaining in the Post Office,  
3 directed to Miss Rebecca Frate, at Mrs Bradish's  
one to Mr Isaac Hays, in the same manner,  
and one letter for Mr Saml Hays, which  
you will please inquire for.

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