

Samuel Kirkland 3

Do you not consider it kind of me
 my Dear Anna, to absolve you of nearly half
 the blame of our sluggish correspondence?
It is not quite a month since the receipt
 of your last letter. but I must not take too
 much credit for following your example
 as my time has been more than usually
 occupied. first by a visit from our dear
 Mary who spent 10 days with us, and
 was here when Saca her husband & child ar-
 rived. we were very happy in the reunion
 of our old household. when Mr Riggs came
 and carried Mary off to New York. where she
 tells me she was most affectionately received
 by her husband's family, and bestowed
 so much time on them, that they were obliged
 to hurry home, on Friday last. it is very agree-
 able to find she is so much beloved by her
 new relations. and I think she is as happy
 as the state of her health will permit in a
 little while I hope she will be more comfort-
 able. she is cheerful & looks well & promises
 us another visit next month, before the
 warm weather sets in. when I hope she
 will have the additional

pleasure of meeting you here - My dear
Sara left us this morning. Mr Joseph could
only spare a fortnight to us. they have
a very sweet intelligent little girl. to whom
they are both very much devoted. I was
disappointed my dear Sara, that your
last letter did not contain a plan
of your summer journey. When
you would start what route you
would take, and when we might
expect to welcome you at No 2. pray
do not keep me long in suspense, or
disappoint us of the happiness of a visit
from you & our dear Brother and the
sweet little girls. Miriam's health
has been often helped by our baby. who
seemed particularly pleased to have her
cousin to smile on - we are much concerned
to hear of our dear dear Mares' ill health.
Gratz's last letter speaks of sending her
the children to the North. and as change of
air & climate is always useful to her I hope
it may again succeed in restoring her.
Frank Blair too is expecting with his
young wife travelling for health. who I hope
is not so severely affected. Lizzie did not

possible to give ^{an} ~~you~~ ^{any} ~~any~~ ^{idea} of her
powers - The Poet himself never
heard his plays so truly personated
The seems to render almost every char-
acter in the whole play and give
appropriate tones to every passion
exhibit every passion - every inflexion
voice & manner to the very cadence
of the scene the words of - in another
week the work will be finished - I
never expect to witness the appearance
of these characters more

Give my love to my dearest
Bro - Kiss your little darling for me -
and tell my dear nephews they are
ever in my hearts memory - has my dear
retained from St Louis? has Mary he
been unkind to him too? or is he too
timid to adventure where so many have
failed - Tell me my dear dear
Julia Hoffman is waiting to take a walk
with me - she sends her best regards to my
brother, and hopes to make your acquaintance
- believe me ever affectionately
Your sister Pity

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