

Phil^a May 17th

My Dear Ann

Your letter of the 11th was a great relief from my anxiety about my beloved Mother, and I thank you sincerely for it. I forgot my severe disappointment at the postponement of his visit, in the blessing of his recovery. I would not have him venture too soon - or trans-
fer my pain to you, in the apprehension of a return of his disease. Indeed it would be better for us all, if he would bring you and the girls, along, so that he would have no sacrifice to make when he gives me the comfort of seeing him. Sara & her children will remain with us until the end of this month, and would love to show her children to her Uncle. They are very charming. Henry's recovery seems almost

a man. he has a very bright
mind, and seems to have a sound
constitution, Mamma & Anna's
pictures have made them well
acquainted with their cousins.

I am sorry to hear such bad
accounts of our old friends
Vernon & Dr. Warfield - but is
it bad that the Lord, should
decease warnings, that the
things of this world are fleeting
and a time is given to make
provision for a more important
existence, that will never
pass away? We have been anxious
about Philippe Etting. She has
had no health since the birth of
her child, now three months old
& without breath, and acute pain
in her limbs has remained
with her, until her strength
seems exhausted. Sally Hays
has attended her most faithfully
they expected Rebecca Childs to

Humble sails for England
the youngest Daughter goes
with her. They will return to this
country in the fall -

Willa Jane & Julia send
much love - the children are
really lovely, and some of them
very pretty - Sara looks well.

Believe me my
Dear Ann very truly yours
affectionate Eliza