

Easton, July 14th

I did not intend that you should have been before-hand with me in your remembrances - but that you have been so, gives me a great deal of pleasure - independent of the gratification to my vanity - I have been so whirled about since I saw you, that I did not feel myself stationary long enough to tell you where my abode was - and since I came here, my old employment, nursing, together with the extreme hot weather, has made me almost unfit for any thing - Amelia still continues to have chills - and since Easter air has failed in driving them away, I know not what will have effect - Mamma too has not been well - but I hear all wonderfully - how I have pitied you Philadelphians - Do pray tell me where Sally contrived to get cold this burning weather for my part I think I shall literally melt away if it continues much longer - You do not say any thing of Mrs Hayes - I presume therefore she is well - Mrs Redman's regret at not being better acquainted with me is extremely flattering - I should be unjust to her as well as to myself if I did not also lament the accident which prevented my knowing her more intimately - You must remember me to her when you write - Rachel, I suppose, will spend the summer with her - what has become of Mrs Hapkinson - I hear nothing of her - I presume you do not keep up much of the ceremonial of visiting - excepting it be by moon-light - In spite of the men's scandalous accusations against us, we shall all, I think, be votaries of Diana, at least this hot weather - I wish I could have derived so much advantage from my travels as to have amused you by an account of them - but though I have climbed and descended mountains, I have met with no fairies or giants to retard my progress, nor valerius Quixotes to break the enchantment, had I been so encountered - and as the fadde of romance does not appear to reside in this quarter of the world, I have no hopes of deriving any

assistance from her ladyship in framing adventures
for your amusement - Therefore, for the present, you
must be content with my telling you simply that I
am well - and shall be extremely gratified again
to have it in my power to thank you for another letter
remember me to your Mother and Sisters, and believe me
ever yours,

M. L.

P. S. I write this in the intervals of time that I can
snatch from attending on Amelia - who has had a
severe chill to-day - Therefore I make no apologies -

M. L.

Mrs Rebecca Fray

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