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My dear Father,

Your letter of the 26th enclosed to Mary Cannon has just been delivered by Virgil - we are all truly gratified by the intelligence it gives us of the prospect of our dear Milderdy being set at liberty, once more she has been a great sufferer and a model of patience - and it would seem to be in the order of Providence, that she should be rewarded for so much meekness and submission. I trust that the convulsion which the D^r says to have of her disease may not prove temporary - and I should suppose from your letter, that in his treatment of the case, there is nothing of harshness in his remedies; this is grateful to me -

I hope soon to hear that she has the power of locomotion: I want her to come home able to take a romp with her little pet Anne - and if she wants one of quicker motion little Mary will give her all she wants in the way of exercise. I am also much gratified at the report you make of Uncle's condition; beg him to keep away from this party unless he wishes to go to bed. I take it, granted you and Mary keep in your usual health - and hope you will keep so - let me suggest to you the propriety of taking all the exercise on foot you can - and if you could get uncle at it he would. I think find it of great service to his but and legs.

Your letter found me on the bed just coming out of a slight chill and fever - having had me on

sunday (day before yesterday) this storm is my last. You may judge of the impression a chill makes upon me when I tell you that since I got up - I have made quite a good dinner of beef steak - I do not recover my strength as I should - not withstanding my appetite. I shall take all the care I can of myself - Rebecca Shope is thorough for the season. Anne has hardly missed a chill for a single day in the last year - To day she had a very slight affair - Thomas, Anne and Mary and Duncans Kells will - and I hope (tho' I do not expect it) will escape - As far as I know and can learn our sick are better - tho we have some quite sick - Lucy at the Mill about as sick as any one else - Solomon, Dampney, Simson and a long list of others rapidly getting well - soon to be out.

I sent over to Stagsville this morning, to hear from all in that quarter - Virgil sent for a message that Mr Harris and himself were much improved that he had no one very sick and had sent off a good many to their respective Homes - being able to do some thing.

I hope before this you have received my letters - I have written you 4 long letters - two mailed at this office and two at Raleigh. My last letter was written on the 25th since that time I learn that we have a good deal

of Chills and fever at the mill quarter in Penn
I have made the best arrangement that I could
for the administration of medicine by sending
it up in portions 10 grains for the elder ones
and 5 grains for the younger class - with a
little oil - with instructions for the use of our usual
tea, and do not doubt I shall get about as
good accounts from them as from others.

We shall have all the corn in pens this
week - and am very anxious to commence
sowing the wheat crop - but it must be
bad work - we have had no rain - and
the earth never seemed any dryer than
at this time - our yard exhibits less of green
than it did last summer - our mornings
and evenings very cool and very hot mid
day suns - and with no prospect of falling
weather -

I have no news to give - I see no
one but our own people - and hear from
no one but yourself or those with whom I
have business - I hope you will feel no
sort of uneasiness on our account - we
shall (perhaps all) suffer something from
chills and fevers - but I trust nothing
worse will have to be reported to you - as
reported all shall be to you - With kindest
wishes to my sisters and Uncle I am ever
your most affectionate son P. L. Cassey