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## Letter to Dr. Whetmore

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To Dr Wetmore at  
Worthington

Cincinnati Nov. 2 1849

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Dear Sir,

Your kindness to me, in ten thousand instances, especially in my last sickness prompts me to seize the first opportunity to express my gratitude; and tell you how we are

Our journey hither, in my weak state of body and over such indelibly bad roads seems, in the retrospect incredible. It is in my mind, like a Dream. Was I in my right understanding to undertake it? —

And you seen us struggling thro' the mud, in a dark night; now brought up against <sup>a</sup> stump; & now almost overturned in a bottomless slough. The boys scarcely able to point out the road from the difficulty of churning between the many evils before them, my children crying & myself exhausted even of the fictitious strength, "the Bark" had afforded — What would you have thought? I was glad I could not hear your reproofs for my temerity. — But I forbear writing on this subject; though the remembrance thereof is like a spectre of Horror.



We arrived here, on Saturday following the time of commencing my journey.

Mrs Chase, by reason the great fatigue in moving, and putting things to rights, was taken quite sick. Her indisposition, however, tho' great among, to us, all, continued but a few days; & is now quite well. She begs to be remembered both Mrs W. and yourself.

I have shewn to one of the Medical family about the matter with which you charged me. He says, that the only cure for such a complaint, within the circle of medical Science is Sulphurous Fumigation as invented of late, & now administered by that department of Literature. The apparatus for this business, is a great consideration in the Region of the South, now, in all directions, suffering under this very great judgment: one perhaps not ~~for~~ ~~it~~ exceeded, in point of depriving us of all comfort of living, by <sup>any</sup> <sup>by</sup> <sup>light</sup> ~~any~~ ~~by~~ ~~light~~ Divine Providence has inflicted our land.

All our family will avail ourselves of this as it is said only, <sup>cure</sup> infallible, as soon as the works in standing



The affairs of our College go on well  
My own health, I trust, is gradually  
improving.

Pray remember me to enquire  
after your Friend and obliged  
Friend & Son<sup>t</sup>  
Whitman Chase



No.

Doctor McKim  
Aran Worthington

Ohio

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Nov 1822

Enclosed

At Two Dollars per  
Sheet