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### Letter to George Chase

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My dear Son George

Cincinnati.  
K. Ch. 230801

By anti from your Grand mother I have learned of your health and the fine prospects of your family. Knowing your turn of mind in particular as well as from the feelings natural to all on such interesting occasions, the news recited in your grand Mother's letter gave, & still gives me peculiar delight.

I send you a Journal of our late Convention in Ohio. You will see in it that your Brother Philander was appointed to go to England to solicit means to establish a school for the Education of young men for the Ministry & for the aid of the Missionary Society. But his health will not permit; he must go to the South if anywhere, & spend the winter. In the mean time somebody must go to England & improve the present occasion.

From some late reviews of what we've done here in the West, the Religious Societies of Eng. are deeply interested in our welfare: & are willing, we think to help us especially in the found.



ing of our Theological School. They see  
or we will make them see the Truth that  
we never can depend on the Eastern Sem-  
inaries for a supply of Clergy. Our Ca-  
toms are too great & our compensation for  
the Clergy is too small, to entice the Well  
educated Clergy of the East to come among  
us. We have now wasted nearly two  
years since we had the means to give  
missionaries what is deemed here a good  
support (\$400 per ann.) and not a single  
solitary man has been found willing  
to come over & help us. What can we  
do? Must the Church after dwindling  
for a while die, like a lamp in the  
socket, for want of oil? — No; No;  
We must have a Seminary with funds  
to maintain good professors, & give other  
encouragements, to educate our young  
men. Among ourselves many there are  
many us, converted to God willing, to enter



The Ministry under all its disadvantages.  
if they had but encouragement in obtaining  
an education for Holy Orders.

These means, it is the object of my going  
to England to obtain; and thankful I am  
that the prospects are very flattering.

But the Measure is very hazardous it  
must be confessed: and tho' all events are  
in the hands of God even to the number  
of the hairs of our head and the falling of a sparrow  
yet it is right to think of God when our all  
is at stake with peculiar solicitude.

Do, then, Dear George, <sup>you</sup> and all our friends of the  
Church in Bethel pray for me. I shall sail on  
the first of Oct<sup>r</sup> from N.Y. about that time I beg that  
the collect for persons going to Sea may be used when  
ever you meet together: also when you use the Litany  
of pray for all who travel by Land or by Water you would  
remember your father.

Mrs Chase Dudley Henry & Mary will stay at Kingston. Salmon  
will return to his Mother & Mrs Muford & Sarah will go to  
Indiana. We set off for Steubenville next Monday. I  
believe with the good wishes & prayers of all who know us  
Pray write me a letter so that it may be in N York by  
the 20<sup>th</sup> of Sept<sup>r</sup>. I will write you thence if I can.  
Do pray for your loving Father  
Chas<sup>r</sup> Chase

Aug 1. 1823.



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Sarah Brown

To  
George  
Chase  
Esq  
Brother  
of  
Samuel

to Geo. C.

Aug 1 1823

Cincinnati

Attest D. Parker

