

Philander Chase Letters

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## Letter to Mrs. Wiggin

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Kingston

Dear Mrs Wiggins

I'm passing through. Phil I had the

<sup>satisfaction</sup>  
~~pleasure~~ of seeing Mrs Rolston for a few minutes ~~only~~ & had  
 anticipated this pleasure <sup>had been</sup> before I left home and after talked of  
~~it~~ with my dear husband, but her indisposition prevented  
 until the evening before I left town - In your short in-  
 terview I had the happiness of hearing of your convalescence  
 and general health of the family - Through Mr A Rolston  
 I received \$325 - with the list of contributors - To these liberal  
 christian friends I would through you say all I feel in my  
 heart - but language seems so poor, any expressions so inferior  
 to what my love and gratitude would dictate that I must appear  
 before you as insensible of kindness - But dear Lady think not  
 so of me - <sup>the only return</sup> my dear Husband my children and myself can make  
 to our English Benefactors is to beg of them through whom cometh way  
 good and perfect gift - that he will reward them in time and  
 in Eternity and this I know he will do for Jesus Christ's sake -

You have perhaps letters of a later date from my dear  
 Husband than I <sup>have</sup> received owing to my moving from place to place  
 my last one dated a month since he was then well and happy  
 to find a resting place for his long contemplated Institution  
 This dear child of his old age has revived all his youthful en-  
 dour when I see him so engaged contending with difficulty after  
 difficulty and in God's strength conquering all I cannot have  
 a doubt of its final success - Are not all the promises in its  
 favour It is God's work begun in a firm reliance on his support  
 and with a single eye to his glory - and the good of immortal  
 perishing souls - much has been done much remains to be done  
 the means <sup>he can open</sup> <sup>the hearts of those who share largely</sup> of his bounty <sup>the task</sup>  
 are in his hands and <sup>short</sup> the way <sup>has</sup> accomplish

assigned his honoured Servant -

My present journey to visit my friends after 15 years absence, has been quite pleasant. I leave here this afternoon for New York on my way to <sup>my dear sister</sup> Bedford. The 1<sup>st</sup> of June I hope to be in Hapkins to pay my first visit to brother B Chose - (Mary & myself with Mrs M were hospitable entertained by his son B Chose in Phil) from thence we shall visit Judge Chose in Anson with many other relatives of my husbands that I have never seen - by the 1<sup>st</sup> of July I hope to be travelling westward and God willing take my part in the labors assigned at Robinsons and Jubilee College - my health and spirits are much improved by this change Mary is quite well

From my dear husbands letters you no doubt know all his hopes and some of his trials from the kind expressions of Mrs Watson I am encouraged to hope this minutiae of detail has not worried his English friends - what better evidence can we have of their continued affection - He has probably mentioned a little volume entitled <sup>the worth of inequity of real life</sup> Reminiscences of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~late~~ <sup>late</sup> B Chose - penned last winter to aid in the erection of the Chapel now commenced - I left it with Mr Seymour who will endeavor to get favorable terms for its publication - our retired situation prevents its <sup>coming to</sup> ~~publication~~ <sup>publication</sup> forward under the eye of the author - Though <sup>except the last</sup> acknowledged in a former letter from Robinsons, I will <sup>again</sup> ~~give~~ <sup>mention</sup> on account of the same received for the private fund.

Sent by  
 Mrs M  
 to  
 Mrs Chose

By Bishop Chose	
In a letter of credit to A & G Watson Phil	\$ 350.00
The gift of several ladies in Eng <sup>d</sup> through Mrs W to Mrs Chose -	
Sent by Mr Wiggins to Prime Ward & King	208.06

Brought over by Mrs M 67.00

For all this and many many ~~things~~ favors received through you dear Madam I would offer return thanks to the several donors. Their names so far as given are held in grateful remembrance. That God may bless them and you is the constant prayer of one who wishes to be named in most respectful terms to Mr Wiggins your dear daughter the B<sup>s</sup> would say none such, to Miss Lloyd & believe me dear Madam

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