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Letter to Mary Olivia Chase

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Louisville Ky - 21 Jan. 45

My dear Grand Daughter Mary O. K. ch. 450121

When I closed my letter to your Grand Father Wells yesterday my heart reproved me for not writing more particularly to you - the only daughter of my best beloved Son now in Paradise. His dear image which is always on my conscious mind seem to reprove me for my neglect - "You have not only passed her by, but you have neglected to write to her and to give her your blessings!"

Now Dearest Mary O - you may well suppose, ^{how} I feel under the smarting effects of such a reproof from such a quarter: -

The only remedy is in stealing a few moments from my morning sleep by candle light before breakfast to write a few lines: - & to tell you how dear you are to me; and how I pray for your happiness - especially that you may be kept

thru the power of God unto Salvation in an
Other and a better world.

My health is unusually
good this winter;— suffering I am however just
now from a cold I took on Sunday night
after preaching twice in the afternoon and
evening. My garments immediately about
my person became (by the time the 2. discourse
was finished) completely wet with perspiration
— and then I had ^{to} ride nearly a mile in a
cold coach; and found but little ^{fire} in my room
at the Quilt House to change my clothes—
— Yesterday (Monday) however I was able
to go and see several persons. — Still the
cold increased and last night I felt quite
indisposed:— and so topped myself in bed think-
ing on you and your dear Mother and Mr
Morse and Ann;— whom I was obliged to pass
by:— "Well" you will say; "this is quite enough
Dear Grand Father Bishop! Don't say any

thing more about it. Why are you staying
still in Louisville? — Answer —

No boat came along to take me down the River
Ohio. — Frequently was the inquiry made if
there any Boat come for St. Louis? — An.
No! —

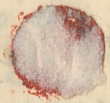
This morn^g — however the servant tells
me there is a chance. — The "Trade Lane!"
Mail Boat, is expected to put down
Stream soon after breakfast.

This and the duties of "putting" my
Luggage in order prevents me from say-
ing any more than that I am

Your loving Grand Father
Bishop Chase

per H. Chase P.M.

Mrs Mary D. Chase
Sturteville
Ohio



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