

Philander Chase Letters

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## Letter to Mary Olivia Chase

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Jubilee

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My dear Grand Daughter: -

It gives me great plea-

sure to learn that your loved Mother has  
enjoyed good health for so long a period. - -

It pleases me also to learn that you have  
been quite well - and that you love your  
dear home too well to be enticed by any offer  
from Greenville. Never do I wish you to  
stray from your home in search of un-  
certainties from .....

Give my best love to your hon<sup>d</sup> Grand Fa-  
ther Wells: Tell him I am very anxious to hear  
from him. Tell your Aunt Ann that I highly  
esteem her for her good works especially for taking  
so good care of <sup>her</sup> aged Father in his late sickness.

- My kindest regards to your good Father

- Tell him that Dudley (now an excellent  
preacher) tomorrow sets out with me on  
a visit to Ottawa about 80 miles from  
this. Oh how this reminds me three  
times long gone by when he went with me

on Missions, toms for the good of souls. —  
I hope to be here at jubilee on Easter Sunday, or  
After that I shall (I think) go south: And  
the weather continue mild and dry — How  
different our winter past from that which  
we hear of in the Atlantic States — Even in Europe  
the cold has been intense. What will our  
friends in England say when they hear we  
ploughed our grounds for a kitchen garden on  
on the 20<sup>th</sup> of Feb — and that we have  
culinary roots now growing in the open  
air:

Our Spiritual Garden seems also  
to flourish. Our School increases and bids  
fair to be very useful to the Par West  
in training Ministers of the Church  
We are quarrying stone for a New building  
We are out of debt except that we owe  
all to God thro Jesus Christ.

Our number of Communicants in 1806  
67 of these were present and took the  
sacrament on the occasion of our or  
dination on the 2<sup>d</sup> Sunday in Lent.

bought we owe to you our hearts in grate-  
ful acknowledgments for these blessings  
Contrast our present state with the in-  
significant condition we were in when you  
were here!

My dear wife your best of grand ma  
Ther is quite recovered from her late  
indisposition and once more is at  
the head of our affairs.

As to myself you see I am but a  
poor letter writer. — The truth is I  
have been hard at work this day and am  
excessively sleepy. but I shall have no  
time tomorrow before I set off. — Therefore  
you must take this, or wait till I  
return from Ottawa. —

I grow old — but old as I am I think  
I may truly say that I love you  
my dear Mary, better & better.

J. H. Love

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