
Philander Chase Letters

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Letter to Mary Olivia Chase

Philander Chase

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1850
Lublee Cottage 10- of Nov-

My dear Grand Daughter
Mary Oliver Chase =

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I am now watching
by the bedside of your dear Grand Mother—
She was taken ill this morning and was
obliged to keep her bed while I went to church
and preached in the fore noon.

On my return about one P.M. I found
her in great distress with pains ⁱⁿ her sto-
mach and indigestion—

No medicine could be kept on her sto-
mach—till a strong application of mus-
tard on her breast by way of counter irrita-
-tion has enabled her to keep ^{some} food down
in its place for a few moments— and in
this interval between her paroxysms, &
I am able to write you a few lines to
thank you for your good letter, and to tell
you that we were most minutely preserved
in returning home through the middle of Illi-
nois from Alton to Springfield and Jackson-
ville & Naples—thence home free from all acci-
dents.

What would have become of us had Mrs C
been taken sick on the way! How merciful
is a kind Providence in accommodating
his chastishments for our sins to our ability
to bear them!

Anna is here tho' Phil^r is absent on
military duty at Princeton

Parah is doing well with her dear Lavin
and Mary with her fine new Boy
I have many letters to answer
found on my table on my return
home all on business of a most
interesting character But of their contents I must not think
Now My heart is continually rising
in prayer to God that my chief earthly
stony may not be taken from me.
Let her have the benefit of your prayers also
dear dear Mary,

Your loving grand Father

Phil^r Chase