

Belvidere April 4th 1847.

To my dear daughter Anne Hoffman Molony
My own health being very precarious & being deeply
impressed with the utter futility of life & of the
vanity of all human expectations, I feel my dear
daughter as if I wished (while I have the health
& strength to do it) to write a few thoughts for you
in case that your Mother should be taken from you
before you shall have come to years of maturity.

It is my prayer, my beloved child, that I may
live for your sake, but if our heavenly Father should
will it otherwise, we must submit to the separa-
tion, trusting to meet again on that bright shore
where all tears are wiped away & parting is no more
and now, my dear child, in order that we may meet
in that bright land, you must not only love your
Mother & your father & your earthly friends, but you
must love your God supremely, & Jesus Christ the
Saviour above every earthly good. - You must read
your bible & love it, & take it for your guide & only
rule. You must early seek, by repentance prayer &
faith to know the Saviour, whom no know aught
is life eternal. Let my little daughter grow up
to be gentle & affable & courteous to all, but be very
particular with whom she associates or intimate

And for this my child is a decisive convincing &
 heart dead world, & if you should live you will live
 (He is a heavenly spirit) that is not yet that
 "died." Should you then be taken away while yet
 your father is living, you must not grieve in any
 private duty, but He has a church - a Father -
 are & obedient child, & ask by grace & affectionate
 manner & a pure heart & clear conscience to act a
 bright & shining example to all around you & thus
 contribute to your own & the happiness of all who
 see you. I could write a host of good things to you
 child but do not get at the heart of the matter, but if it is
 my counsel - desire that you may grow up to be a
 pure, a dignified & intelligent woman, & a true
 & humble Christian.

Your loving Mother Emma Mayo.

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in granting to be given to my dear husband.
& from him to my dear Richard.
Believe me, Sir, I am, Sir,
Yours very truly,
Emma Chalmers.

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& from him to my dear Richard.
Believe me, Yrs. &c.
Emma Choteny

she is too young to take charge of things for herself it would be unwise to have my sister Matilda take charge of them until she is old enough. I want that she should be taught to love & revere the memory of my dear departed Mother, I want she should know as nearly as she can the also something for my brother J. B. Molony -

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My dear daughter Anne Hoffman Molony

loss she sustained, when God in his infinite wisdom took her from us. I want that both my children should be made acquainted with their relatives on the maternal side & taught to love them - I feel particularly anxious about this & hope my wishes will be sacredly regarded - I want these letters preserved & given to my children as soon as they are capable of reading & appreciating them -

P.S.

Emma Molony

I want my dear brother Matthew Molony remembered & a book selected from among my books that will be suitable for a remembrance for him.

The portrait of my Mother given to } E. M.
my daughter Anne, & a daguerotype
taken from the likeness of my Father for my son Richard.