

Birth of William Dehnington
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Decemberth 9 1807

We were very much gratified My Dear Child by your comforting letter
Nov^r 29 thankful for the kind friends, the health spirits and good hopes
which you are favoured with, and that your prospect is so good as to a nurse,
was glad to hear of the visit from Mrs Sands and daughter, and that you joined them
in pious concert of prayer, should ever wish you to keep up a friendly intercourse.
Every sensibly soul Mrs Sillistons kindness present my best regards, not for getting
your good neighbour Mrs Ring, If we could have known that the winter would
have held of so, and that there would be so much time between your being sick
and your sisters, and that she would have got so finely, nothing but want
of health would have prevented my being with you, her prospect now is very
encouraging.

How has my heart yearned to ward you my Dear Maryanna when passing
through the perils of Child bearing, which is no trifling matter, My mind
is ^{per}petually employed upon your interesting situation, but I have endeavoured
to look beyond human help, to that almighty power which is able to do
more and better than we can ask or think.

Decemberth 10

Your very welcome and all important letter of the 6 December we received
this day announcing the happy event of our Dear MaryAnnas having got
safe to bed, so great a blessing made our hearts leap for joy, we immediately
acquainted our friends with the pleasing intelligence and they all rejoiced
with us, hope my Dear Child you have continued finely, but you
must not be too well as the saying is, great care and providence is still

requisite, when able you must write me every particular, and
what sort of a body this little stranger is, My Dear Schuyler
hope you will continue your goodness in writing often as we still feel
anxious, affectionate remembrance to all adieu S. Sawyer

Joy, Joy to you its Parents, Joy to us its Grand Parents,
and to all its numerous happy Friends - may
the dear Boy possess the manly Sense of its
Father, the indearing Benevolence, Goodness,
and Piety of its Mother, may it live to be a
Comfort to its Friends, an Ornament to Society,
and a Blessing in the World - and may God
grant that it may

"Live to know and fear Him
Trust and love him, all its days
Then go dwell for ever near Him;
See his Face, and sing his Praise"
so devoutly wishes, and prays, his and your
ever affectionate M^r Sawyer