

News

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My dear Sam

Your letter, addressed to your
sister ~~transmitted~~ in July was received and read yesterday
we anticipated the pain the announcement of your
intention to leave him would afford because Mr. S. and you
it was necessary and would have been the same if you
had left him at any time hereafter. You are right
to remain if necessary to enable him to go to the Pyrenees.
And yet we will regret that you have not the offer
ready to spend some time in England and to return to
us in August. If I had \$1000 to spare I would go out
to meet & return with you but alas I have not. The
Gurka commenced moving to Fiermont the day before
yesterday - The vicar is dangerous business at Bridgford
& the medical society is unemployed. I think I
will remain for the summer not less than \$5000 a
year. I am I confess very disappointed in former
calculations destroy my confidence in this case.

I am just now busily engaged in doing up letter notes
about the linen & goods. The Gardiner will shortly call for all
our exertions. Lee is sold to the Misses Coopers for \$1000 which
is as much as he is worth he is a hard flesh keeper.
The other 5 horses are all well. The Colts growing finely.
Sydney is I am quite sure a Race Horse of the first
rank and has been all day to day drawing and
during the is very undecaying.

I hoped to make an arrangement for you with
Mr. Griffin he promises to do all he can for you but
as he has two sons with him his office is full. Your
Uncle Robert Moore is going back to his Profess-
ion on the full of March next. He will have
much business what his purposes are I know not.

how would you like such an appreciation would to receive
in reply - I will endeavor to look over & for that purpose
I intend to go and pass some time in the country. By the
way my cousin August Newton Townsend is interested
for trial. How you will get some copies of letters. I think
you desired to have some of my letters on waiting -
The cause will not probably be tried until I come. I
have got a cause for you to try & in this country the full
which will afford you a good chance.

I hope you will make you arrangements to spend
some time say 2 months in England. I will send letters
by the packets of May the first to Stellen to be
kept for you. They will be wrapped & in case
which is very probable that they are not properly
addressed you must change the envelope and
correct them.

You will see by the papers that the Texas
question has come up in the most serious form.
It is quite certain that a treaty is proposed at this
not actually signed but that it will be in the
annual of John Henderson who it is understood comes
with full powers to form such a treaty of annexation
with this country as to go to England to form a
Treaty of close alliance and to give to her every
advantage short of absolute possession of the country.
I do not feel to fear that the Senate would
approve such a Treaty. I did Mr Webster wrote
that he feared it. And Mr Adams told me
it was quite certain that he got as much
as some of the details of the Treaty from the Presi-
dent. The opinion seems to be that there
will not be the Constitutional propriety and
probably that very soon Mr Henderson will sign
ing as it is said that Henderson also consented
to offer annexation under an express agree-
ment that 2/3 of the Senate was assented

to be in favor of it. Calhoun is probably a member by this time
He will do all he can to aid it. But whether the Senate
can act by the Senate it must have ^{an} important influence
upon the Presidential Election as the nearly the whole
South are in favor of it and if it is not advised by
the Senate it will fail by the votes of Mr Clay from
Van Buren will be uncommitted. If he can be
altho you will see by the intelligence that while
President he took high ground against the annexation
Calhoun & Tyler's friends will endeavor to call him a
upon the subject. But for this ^{time} ~~time~~ the Presi-
dent is decidedly with Clay upon the Treaty and
will Van Buren altogether. President has been
unanimously (in Congress) against any change in the
of 1842. - I suspect I was alarmed at the prospect of

The annexation and am not yet without
fear that it will be accomplished. The
objections are 1st too great extension of Territory
2 extension of Slavery 3 Parliamentary influence
for a long time to come of Southern influences
4 There is ~~no~~ no power in the Constitution
5 It is a declaration of war against Mexico and
6 It endangers our Union. It will be attempted to bring the
People into it by representing that if we do not take the Treaty the
England will & that this will be dangerous to us in many
points of view. I do not think it will be a civil to the South
but not to the whole nation. But I do not believe England
would take it. She may indeed mean to make
great efforts to send out great numbers of her people
to settle the Country & thus by obtaining a majority to
carry with Slavery & control the Congress of that
Country. If they do the latter they will very natu-
rally fall into Democratic opinions by which the
of the Country progress as well as Democracy will be
embodied. English or Irish men in Texas will be
as numerous in Texas as they are here.
You wish America is better but for you will
all the other members of the family are in good health
The weather was much better. God bless you and
Remains me in the kindest manner to Mr. Long. I & H.



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