

Albany March 17. 1813 -

Dear Clara -

I got here on Friday evening and found all my friends well, my stay here will depend upon circumstances, but you need not expect me until the River opens, that is you must not look for me before the tenth of April, - I was received by every person here with that attention I wished, - All joy at my arrival -

I do not recollect any thing particular to mention ~~only~~ that I think the Gammons are smocked enough and tell Billy not to make any more smock under them, you had better boil one to try if they are not -

I gave Thomas De new \$5 - to buy flax whether you will like it or not I don't know, if it is not good enough for your use, give it all to Mrs Miller & let her spin flax and Tow for a piece of sheeting as fine as the flax will allow -

Remember me at home and our

Your affectionate friend

Benjamin Franklin

Miss Clara Gilbert

Although it is a 12th

John Allen

I am here on Friday evening
at my friends house, my wife has
just returned from her visit to
the hospital and she is very
pleased with the treatment
she has received and the
kindness of the doctors
and the nurses. She has
been very comfortable and
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