

Sept 19th 1842

Dear Father,

I received your letter some time ago but have deferred answering it until now, or as too tell you the boy has arrived and all things in safety of which I am very happy to tell you. I am very well contented here and the people treat me with every kindness and attention and especially Mr. Woods family, where we have boarded since our arrival here but have now taken up our abode for the winter with Mr. Hatherway we have a room which we have furnished our visitors we are not quite settled as yet but will be so in the course of a day or two but how often I have thought of you all at home and was thinking how happy I should be if you all could have a peep at us at our new residence, I will now inform you of our ride to New Bedford, it was rather foggy when we started but between 10 and 11 it cleared up most beautifully the sun shone out in all its splendour very much such a day that we were married, found Aunt very well Cousin Juliet was quite sick has not left the house but once in 15 years she has now a very lame foot something of an ulcer, the rest of the family are well they were delighted to see me and, a visit which they never expected they inquired very particularly after all the family we dined with them and soon after returned home & had a beautiful ride the Mohock winding its

May on one side the Canal on the other, we have had a great
deal of rain with us which has made it unpleasant to day
it has cleared up quite pleasant. intend taking a ride this
after noon, I must now close as it is time for me to be getting ready
for the drive I hope this may find you all enjoying yourselves
with good health and happiness and that Marys eyes have
recovered from the inflammation, I hope Mr and Mrs Flaherty are
well and the rest of my friends at home, do you see any thing
of ~~the~~ Caroline Cate tell her I intend visiting to her very soon
and let her know all the news that is stirring at Romney, husband
and self are very well and joins me in much love to all at
home. I am your ever attached and affectionate daughter
Catharine B.

I forgot to mention my staff when you sent on my other things
but if you can possibly send it on when you send the \$20
dollars you will much oblige your daughter Catharine

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Edmund Ballin
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