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My S. Boy

This being the 21. Anniversary of your Grand Parents Birth day, no period in life more appropriate to affectionately address an absent grand son, upon whose future prospects however flattering he in ^{the} course of Nature ~~he~~ is unable to flatter himself with a future enjoyment, and who therefore must be excused from embracing the pleasing anticipations of the future, and the perhaps a little extravagant yet the field is open for its most sanguine expectations when we consider the splendid example of him of whom I have the honour of standing with you an equal affinity, and by your good Mothers arrangement we are here on this occasion that is



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On the 28 of June in fine and pleasant weather
When nature's beauties all in bloom that we have met together
To celebrate the festive day and join in thanks for ever
That we ~~are~~ permitted thus to meet, and not allowed to see
That your Parents ~~will~~ be not forget engaged in its measure

May you enjoy wherever or not that first of human treasure

This however old is no less in continuation still true, and should not trouble you with this ancient duty did I not anticipate the pleasure the pleasure it would afford you, for it is an old saying that truth will be repeating, I feel in discharging this pleasing duty in some measure your good Mother's amceness and bring with her on the spot where your domestic feelings excite some natural anxiety I am only to regret my inability to be more particular, (In Paris) your father and George left us two days ago for Boston on some Rail Road business the particulars of which I am unable to say more only a suspicion that your Father's professional exertions is to be called into action, Love and family move up to the Cottage in a day or two in their usual good health & spirit as is to the best of my knowledge is all in which you feel an interest

while on this subject and on a ramble with your Mother shipboard
to a time as you turn into the North trading to the garden of your
particular protection as now speaks well of your fostering care and
presents a promising example in a future day to grow into
note and respectability, a few days since a small note appeared in
one of our daily papers of which we are unable to find any validity
that a Mr. Nichol who lived in the early place but a score or two from
your Uncle Williams and who died last winter had left a legacy
to Washington Irving and who from a want of health would soon
be on his way home, and from naturally feeling very much
interested in the fact of this publication, have made all useful
inquiry as yet unsatisfactory, am inclined to believe that there
is no foundation, yet from whence and from what could it
have originated, politics, Envy, or effusion, could not be brought into
action and wisdom could find no interest therein, and we are
all at a stand for a more satisfactory explanation, as our mutual
friend is more immediately interested, it is within the reach of
possibility that a more satisfactory solution may come across
the Atlantic through your next letters, speaking of letters permit
me to thank you for the satisfactory one handed me from you
with a hope that I may be continued in health to receive and
acknowledge yet soon as, Mr. Lett. Mount Foreham a few days
ago and its happy inmates as well as in cherishing affection can
anticipate, then yet solitary progress is as promising as the most
extravagant fondness can picture, of which in a future day I
glatter myself you may have a more comprehensive view
Your Uncle N. H. Morris appears as much the Man of the
Multitude as ever, you may have been informed of his popu-
larity, on every point of my reputation John Tyler our present
has very recently Honored New York with his presence & he has
been almost smothered in honors and displays
& I think our papers will soon be the theatre of attempting to

obscure if I could be able of which as I was not a stranger I much
doubt my ability from which good cause you will excuse me
Your Uncle Noll was consequently the object of the day and as
I have not yet seen him, and his Father any information I
could have received was necessarily furnished over and from
which cause I forbear to be thus & tedious, your Old Father and
if possible more often and Brieu are now on a parental visit
North from which cause you will excuse any further silence
we had Aunt Fan & Uncle Tom with us part of two days all
well and I find in his own estimation at least a good Farmer
and only excused by Dr. Burke who must have studied agriculture
in conjunction with Phineas in N. York, some years ago, I did
intend from the scribble of my first page, to make a more legible
copy for I am at a loss to account for my inability but upon
more mature reflection your good Mother has so exerted us
with the busy morning noon and night with every concern
that in the event that I now so long am at a loss to know
the cause of my inability and when you find a difficulty
in the change you will find where to lay the blame yet my Son
only appropriate the motive, you are apprised of your Father having
changed his Farming Harness and am authorized to say is
much gratified with the change as yet -
Since writing the above and happily finding that your good
Grandmother had put your affectionate letter in her baggage I
find that I have not had answered it, and that I have made
a long letter, I will attempt to enliven you a few moments
longer, saying nothing of the heart-felt pleasure I gave your
good Mother by handing her your letter to me, on which a
fond Mother's maternal affections was very apparent, your
description of the Farming operations of that country and the
national devotion to the looking shades of which our country

in every direction consider it as one of the smiles of a kind
providence not to be disappointed with, and which has a tendency
if possible to draw me nearer to the Land of my Nativity, and the
marvellous Bazaar, inherent on my mind the value of our
blessed Constitution for such villainy here would soon melt its
due reward, Our Cotton Water is clearly increasing in public
estimation, Fountains are erecting in all our public squares
and the supply is so abundant that its force is much with-
drawn from its constituted authority and the great expense
has been the topic for some time since, yet now contrasted with
its overwhelming advantages it commands a silence on the part
my as yet secret friends some of which I number near 40 ⁱⁿ ~~to~~ ^{the} ~~the~~
the secret is not kept and if an open florid expression may be
considered as an index of a flattering future, I may be allowed
to amuse you with what I cannot expect to witness myself, I have
long been taught from experience that from the Haman ~~expos-~~
-ion of Corn Laws you can learn more than the own ~~own~~
expos, At my introduction I stated that I was at home, your
Mother and Angelica only at home, having disposed of your
Father Eastward, Tomorrow Flora and family are to join us
and to participate in a superabundance of as fine stewards
as was ever witnessed in any country, and an equal supply
of Corn and if we did not feel confident that you were much
more profitably employed we would wish you with us, It is true
that I am now in the immediate neighborhood of all most interest-
-ing to our mutual friends. Ervin and regret my inability to
say more than that I understand that they are all as well
and as happy as his abiding promise, my better half, your
Mother, and Angelica big to join me in every affection to you
and a grateful remembrance to our mutual friend Mr
Ervin cord affectionately Yours &c



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