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Letter to Philander Chase

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R. rev. Bishop Chase Beaumaris 12th July 1824 C. 1.
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My dear Sir

In answer to your esteemed Favor
of June 4th. I wrote you by my Sister's Son David Fien, who
was to be the Bearer of it, but from his of Date the 8th past
I find that it has not fallen into your hands. He writes
me to this effect, when I made enquiry for Bishop Chase
at Featherstone's buildings, I found that he had left London
not to return, that he was at present at Manchester, and
that he would remain there till near the 15th when he w^d
go to Liverpool to sail for America upon the same day
if the Wind was favorable. And from the same Informant
Mr. Pratt, mentioned that you had determined on not
visiting Ireland, and that Mr. Timothy Higgins in Man-
chester was the Person I might address a Letter to You
and which I avail myself by the Steam Packet for
Liverpool and which sets out this Morning and so
much do I desire to see you for my own personal
gratification was I to know that you would be
detained longer than the 15th. I would have no
objection to set out from this on the Wednesday's
Steam Packet on the 14th and I could see ^{you} upon
the ^{same} evening at your Friend Mr. Adam Hodgson's
Had you taken the Rout for Ireland & stop'd
at Holyhead and wrote to me in time I should
have been there although a distance from this
of about 25 Miles. I was incorrect when I told
you Beaumaris was so near to Holyhead but

The Ferry near the famous Bridge they are building
across the Straights of Minai and which forms the
Road to London and which is only 2 Miles from
Beaumaris. if you went by Land to Holihead. I sh^d
have there been waiting for you and accompanied you
to that Place, and w^d have had time to chat upon
Mississippi Affairs. Had my rev^d Brother been
of the party, no doubt your conversation w^d
have been agreeable to one another, but "Man proposes
and God disposes". You Gentlemen Divines, cannot
always have things of this World to chime with
your Spiritual Interest. I hope you return to
America satisfied with the reception you have
had in the Land of your Ancestors, to which
I know, you have always shewn a great par
tiality. Perhaps I was wrong to express this
upon the Mind of the good M^r Buttenworth
or mention any thing about the Willingness
you shewed to emancipate the ungrateful
& Blackguard fellow. I mentioned it as a
proof of your Consistency of Conduct as relates
to your Profession and the part of the U. S.
you inhabit, but I by no means think that
your Conscience should be at War with you

in having that as a Property where you resided
and where, could they be happier than under your
Care and tuition of Body & Soul. Set the greatest n^o.
of these People free all at once, would be the most ef-
fectual method of demoralizing them & rendering
them miserable. But this is a subject only to be
talked upon with friends and not wrote upon
Paper, although from my 50 years residence in
a mixed Society of White & Black I am perhaps
priviledged to say something.

Were you & I to meet, we would have
a great many things to say to one another
concerning the Episcopal Church of New
Orleans, of which I continued till the last
to be a Vestry Man. Mr. Hull I am afraid
is not to last long in this World bad health
&c. I wonder what has become of Mr. Pilmore
of the Ep. Church of Natchez. Whether he is of
the many who died last Summer there
and which has depopulated almost that Town
Mr. David Wry, your friend, lost her Sister
Mr. Jonathan Thompson, Husband & 3 Children
Your friend Jane Percy, married to James
Williams Mr. Wry's Brother lost 2 fine Children
Pray when you was in London, did you
visit Mr. Middlemist? I hope to hear from

You soon and believe me to be always
My dear & rev. Sir
Robert Bow

Rev. Bishop Chase
to the care of Mr. Timothy
Miggin
Manchester

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