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## Matthew Gage to Mary Gage (23 October 1849)

Matthew Gage Jr.

Mary Margaret Gage Sanders

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Richland Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 1849

Dear Mary I have this day been solicited by my  
Grandfather - that I might - consent to Dr Wm Tarkenton  
to visit you - which out of policy has con-  
sented he should do - but avail myself of this  
opportunity by Mrs Purcell to say to you - not  
to encourage his visits or acquaintance farther  
- as I think & know there are many reasons  
why you should not.

This I can explain more satisfactorily  
when I see you. Let this suffice on this  
score. Your letter is just to hand to day  
without a word on the subject of your health  
Hoping you may employ to profit your time &  
Gabe Roberts may visit us but a day or two soon  
and all are well. Mr Noyis has abandoned  
his school & is to be resumed shortly under the  
auspices of a Mr Harris. As news of importance

Write me in answer to this and when I hear  
more news write with you more fully & satisfactorily  
Yours affectionately  
Mankin Bay

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