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Matthew Gage to Mary Gage (30 May 1850)

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Hermitage May 30 1850

To Man

I this moment read myself by the pen
It being an unusually cool day for the last of May - by
way of acknowledging the receipt of your letter - dated
about the 1st of the present month - and should have
done so long since - but I have certainly borne quite an
affliction for some past in the way of sore hands - and
without having gotten worth communicating - this as
an apology I trust will suffice - with a promise
to do better in future

We rec'd but a few days since a passing
call from your uncle John C. and Eliza Sage who
were making rather a flying visit to Mrs Robert
Hayes City. We found them in fine spirits and
wag'd much inquiry of you - but on the eve
of their arrival in Hayes City - Eliza was taken
violently with Pneumonia - and serious fears entertain'd
on Saturday last - when I left them of her recovery
I knew that I have not been advised as to her situation
but do most cordially hope for her recovery speedily -
as they seem to be journeying through life quite agreeably.

Your Cousin Sam Roberts health and prosperity
is far from being enviable - and do not wish to tax
your mind in detail - therefore let this suffice.

Having written you so much of
Hayes City I am reminded at this moment of some
of my idle purchases which is all probably will

Should I give and say anything for the Examination on advice in -

from no small Power of Gratification to yourself in the
Way of a very fine and Rich Breast Pin - Cost \$15 Dollars
And will either at or previous to your Examination send or deliver
It Personally - as I design being present on that occasion
If you desire and opportunity present I will send it
forward.

Our Crop is an exceeding ^{poor} hind and owing
to the long continued heavy Rain and cool weather - particularly night
that of corn which I just say in my Letter to
my old friend Mr West - has received and is at short
short of the belly - you are still having Chisken Fox but
all in a mild form. I must now add that Jerry
is quite a favorite with our President Mr Salt who
thinks him the ace of good and smart boys - Hoping
to have a little favourable report of yourself &

One word only
in the way of advice - lucubration, make now - I mean study by
day and night - time is important with you - Depart yourself
with pleasure and agreeably and I who always feel so much
anxiety and interest in you will far and wide endeavor for your success
Stand high with your teachers and all - your reputation bears in mind is all
you profess. Be assured I pry not from a want of confidence I thus
remind you so frequently but attribute it to the proper motive - the parental
solicitude I feel for you whether present or absent. Hoping to see you
do yourself high honor on your Examination occasion - I
must conclude. Give my best regards to my old friend West
also to Mr Holt. Write me when the Ex. comes off.
Your Mother, brother, and Sister all send you love
Affectionately
Mamma Day

Say to Mrs. Hear - Hugh Craig has yesterday morning I learn embarked
for California. M.D.

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Miss Mary M. Day
Black Hawk
Wisconsin
Mail

When
to pay