

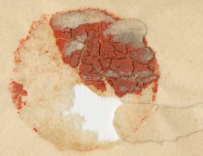
Oak Hill April 8th 1830

Dear sir,

I received to day your letter of the 5th & I beg you to be assured, that I appreciate all the kind expressions towards me contained in it. I hope you will believe me when I say, that any evidence of kindness from you to me, is & always will be of incalculable value - There are parts of your letter, which show that you are under the influence of a great misapprehension as to the cause, & course of my feelings, as indicated in my letters to Hortensia: but on these comment would be useless. I wish the subject to be dropped, & I certainly will not revive it, & I trust it never will be revived

My husband's health has been, & is at this moment so very delicate that it will be necessary for us to go to Washington we shall probably be there on the 12th. We think that Dr. Hunt may suggest something to relieve him from the pains he now endures. Whether I can leave him or not will entirely depend on the result of the remedies prescribed by Dr. Hunt. If possible I certainly will come to my child, my only child, & as you say "at a moment when she will most require the care of her Mother!" yet at this moment I am uncertain of the time when I ought to be with you. I wrote to Hortensia yesterday to know whether she went the 15th of this month or the next. However I beg you not to put yourself to any trouble about my journey; it will be best for you not to leave Hortensia, I can make my way very easily, & I shall apprise you of my movements, & if you meet ^{me} at Barnams it will

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Letter from
Mrs May Spruce



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be all I wish. — Tell Mortensie that I have not time to
write to her now, & perhaps not until I get to Washington,
but hope to hear from her next saturday. Farewell my
Dear sir Mr. Hay desires to be kindly remembered to you &
believe me sincerely yours
E. M. Hay

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