my dear nancy ? Welliamsburg may 31. 1817. Unavoidable absence from home for teveral weeks, and continued ill health, both at home & abroad, must be my apology to you fas well as to Several others of my friends & correspondents, I for my Learning neglect of your favors of the first of march, + 18 " of April; for both which accept my thanks. Jum very happy to hear that my recommendation of Mr. Harrison to you has proved a benefit to your affairs. He is a Gentleman I have long known, I highly esteem; and though not very nearly related, we are enough to to remember with pleasure the characters of those from whom we deduce that relationship. I begyprewile present me to him with great regard of friendship whenever you see him. I begin to hope that my health is getting better, and that I may once more know what Eau & comfort are, to both which flave been almost a total Hranger for the last lix months . Jam happy, however, to inform you that my dear Lelia & health is greatly mended, thereigh not so perfectly as I could with, since the last year. Our dear boll is still with us, but will have us next week. Mifs Bowdoin is also with us at present. all three send their Love & best wishes to you, & your little Boy. Colly bids me say she longs to See him. Giochim a Kip for me; & remember my oft repeated advice & Injunction, not to Shoul him. an

only Child, the durling of a found mother, & having the Expectation of an Officent fortune is in the most dangerous of all possible Stutions . - Let me entreat you to reflect in this, as the most worthy of your continued attention, & enclavour as far as depends when yourself to quard him from the dangers which surround him. That Heaven may blefs you both is among the most sincere wishes of Mannf: morris

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