

Battenville 3 Mo. 9th 1838

Respected Children

You have probably ere this recd. information of the death of your grandfather who died on the 26 Ult. Your Uncle Joshua Read came the next day. Stayed until after funeral which was the fifth day of the week following conducted by Friends - grandmother is now in good health but quite lonely - Hannah lodging with her - G.P. paper of the 27 Ult has been recd. & the last - I have no objection to G.P. having her time to attend to study if She & Deborah can arrange as to the & not disappoint D. Will you write letting me know what day your yearly meeting commences, not that I am certain of my being there at that time but should like to know the time. I was at Adams first of this week. Carried Aunt Avis home & brot your Aunt Hannah back who had ^{been} there some weeks - We still think of mooving [sic] to the Falls - Mother is dipping candles at this time. Your Uncle Humphrey left here this morning for home. All well there - All well at the west except your Aunt Mary Read who was overset in a sleigh and some injured but not seriously - So much so as to prevent her from coming down - Snow fell last night 4 or 5 inches - The sleighing about done - it has been good until within a few days - H.R. & A. McLain returned yesterday from the north - They are in usual health at your Uncle Joshuas - A wedding took place last night must go again tonight - Such must be attended to -