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Blythe Jany 3rd – 1881

My dear Jane

I intended to have thanked you last week for the bonnet &c &c but was prevented by visitors; and am nearly in the same predicament to day again, I have but just got a clear house in time to write a few lines.

The bonnet has been much admired. Weston thinks it very genteel, and I think it becoming. the ribbon is handsome and very cheap. The gown prints are neat and pretty particularly the light one, for which I wish you to get me a lilac band and some trading

the same as that you sent for Madeline's pretty little aprons, perhaps you will be so good as get me a few yds of Waterloo lace and a few yds of white tabbo to trim little matters for Miss, I should like also 2 pair of white cotton socks for her, I do not care for more as they may not fit her great foot, and I have sent other to George Town to be knit for her.-

I did not find the Bible or the scarf among the things, perhaps John will be able to give me some accounts of them, Mr — is now writing to him and will enquire about them for me. I have cut out his linnen and begin on his shirts tomorrow. Let me know whether Mr Bancroft lends you the cash to pay for

Johns things. — I like the edging a great deal better than I did, it looks much nicer on the little cape than in the piece. — If you have an opportunity of sending a small parcel you had better get me another cheap scarf, perhaps the other is lost. — I dined at Mr Davies' this week to meet Mrs Browne, who is out on a visit at the parsonage, she seems doating by fond of her little one — I do not think her so very plain as she has been represented to me. I wish you were here to help me to preserve my fruit, I dont bear the heat of the fire or the stooping very well — I fancy myself larger than ever I was before I am as big as the side of a house.

John I am happy to say writes in much better spirits than he did some time back he says he is also spending his time more profitably and feels his health much restored, he has promised to come up again as soon as he can, he seems very fond of Shadden and she is always talking of "dear uncle" — whenever Mrs has on any of the things you kindly sent her she says "good aunt give this to baby" love her very much I took her to church yesterday and she behaved very well when asked after what she saw she said - Jesus read in a book. — My paper is full and it is well for you it is, or I should not know where to stop when speaking of my darling, ever your Affectionate

Sister Ann