Harriet Tasmania
3rd of 1st Month 1831

My very dear James,

Thank you very much for the long and interesting letter. I and my brother were much pleased with it, my brother not less pleased than the younger one. It was, indeed, much less than we deserved. The Mercury I did not think about, but quite believed that both Sarah and I had written to thee. The New Year cards were nice and gave much pleasure to each. We received them at 10 minutes to 12, I turned green Arthur Walsh an order to the Postmaster for our letters. Leggie & I are glad.
gone to the Cathedral to that Reck Exh N was the only one at home -
mine was truly sweet - Their art -
with Kindly Bag to send me such
a cup of refreshment on a New Year's
point - I trust our Heavenly Father
will watch over us at all times -
it is a great comfort to feel that
He doth for it is not in men that
walketh to direct his steps sought -
The prayer to keep our eye continually
preyed towards Him, and our ear
attentive to His voice - which it,
quietly - and must be looked
for and listened to - to be distinctly
heard - then we shall clearly hear
Him say, this is the way, walk therein.
- Please ask about George,
as far as we know - he continued.
well. I had a letter from him dated
29/12; he was then staying at Annoy.
Headlant who with his wife have
been very kind to him; he did not say when he was coming to
town, or what he was going to do -
I will enclose his last letter.
Lizzie Robert is laid up - Nothing serious.
The two older children are at Butterburg
Park for their holiday. Robert Mother
has another daughter - Sarah has gone
on a visit to the Waynes and after
that to join Hannah & Ada at
Kedle. Marian, Bertha & Mary to
Liddelton. Miss Giblin will be in
Melbourne either next week or
second day on route to Sydney. I
Think Marian said that she intended
to catch the train that left Melbourne
on second day evening for New
South Wales. It would be very
nice for thee to accompany them -
I think thou wouldst enjoy it.
Much more than visiting the inland town of Victoria. Think about it. I have got a little table. Mr. Fl— met P—— and asked her to send some one for it at the head. No one to send with it. I have since written to her thanking her and asking her to accept an Album. I sent it at a distance. To of dear Sue & also in recognition of her kindness to myself. It was done 20 4 days ago and I have heard no more about it, so I hope it is settled. The Album was 40/- of the very dear Sue to Mary & tell her I am very much pleased with her for despatching a letter so quickly after her arrival. We shall all be very pleased to see her home when she has seen enough of the great city. And now my dear boy, farewell and believe me, at ever, thy affectionate brother, Sarah B. Walker.