

Town Hall Chambers  
Southwark  
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My dear Sarah, I thank you  
for your very nice letter, re-  
ceived with one from your  
Brother Robert. It is delightful  
to hear of the proceedings of those  
we love in a far off land; & to  
know that they are prospering,  
amidst life's difficulties & trials,  
to their heavenly home. Each  
year has its tale of the  
dealing of a kind Providence,  
& at its close, we are called  
upon to recount the facts, &  
tracing the Divine goodness &  
mercy, to feel that we should

line near to the Rock of our  
salvation. Surely, we must  
feel lifted up in faith, &  
look for a sower, & more  
continued trust in the precious  
promises of the Gospel, which  
shall all be realized of those  
cleaving to them.

I am  
now in my 77<sup>th</sup> year, & cannot  
expect hence to remain very  
long in this pilgrim's con-  
dition. My only remaining  
sister is in her 80<sup>th</sup> year, &  
been worn up amidst many  
afflictions, tho' in tolerable  
health. I think now she is  
gradually breaking: but her faith

is firm, & her confidence in God  
unshaken. My dear wife <sup>has</sup> lost  
her only remaining Brother a few  
weeks ago: He died in New London  
the U. States of America: happy  
in God. A little while longer,  
& thus struggle with Satan & sin  
& this corruptible flesh; & then  
we shall all be at rest.

The present is a sad day  
of Infidelity, Blasphemy, &  
careless indifference. Self  
conceit, & self opinion, rule  
the mind & hearts of multitudes,  
& sometimes think surely  
the end must be near. But  
however the Lord liveth, & his  
kingdom of righteous ness will  
come. Lord & Hasten it!

How is James? I have a  
sort of special feeling for him,  
having seen him in England.  
Is he pious? Is he married?  
How is he going on in worldly  
things? When you write, please  
tell me all you can about  
those for whom we are here  
concerned.

My Brother John's children  
are all doing on the whole,  
— well. Samuel's son, James,  
is married & has one child. He  
is with his father in the law,  
& L.L.D. William has a large  
family, & is a sort of preacher.  
He lives at Hertford.

God bless you all in P. D. L.,  
& make you all a blessing with  
my wife & my own love. I remain  
your aff. uncle & Brother