

Goat House. Hobart  
 23<sup>d</sup> July 1841.

My dear Mr. Davis

I am so much inter-  
 ested in & pleased with Miss Hayter  
 that were it not that I fear you  
 may consider you have too far engaged  
 her to Mrs. Walker, or what is more  
 probable, are too desirous of securing  
 her useful exertions in your own neigh-  
 borhood, I think I should propose to  
 her to live with me, not only to help  
 me in the education of my daughter, but  
 in other measures which have a less  
 selfish object. In particular I would say,  
 if with her experience & energy to assist me,  
 I could not produce some improvement in  
 that respectable <sup>& necessary</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ female factory,  
 & also attract a certain scholar in the  
 Academy's Sunday School which is languishing

at present as much for want of children  
and teachers - Miss Hayter tells me you  
have given her reason to think Mr. Walker  
would give her a salary of 100<sup>l</sup> a year - This  
is a high salary in Ireland & is the highest  
usually given in England - I certainly should  
not like to exceed it, the more so as I  
fear I am likely to be the loser by  
150 or 200<sup>l</sup> by the conduct of the governors  
who lately came out at my expense<sup>l</sup> with  
money<sup>in her pocket</sup> borrowed from me for her future salary.

And indeed before I should feel disposed  
to offer 100<sup>l</sup> a year to Miss Hayter, I  
should desire to ascertain that she could  
also assist me in some superintendance  
of my household, as in consequence of  
the constant ill-health & therefore inefficiency  
of my housekeeper who is also threatening  
to leave me, I have much anxiety of  
a kind for which I am very unfitted -  
I have put no queries of this nature,  
I mean of a nature to lead her to guess  
the tendency of my thoughts, to Miss Hayter.

This would not have been behaving  
justly towards you - or towards Mr. Walker  
if she goes to that lady - In such a case,  
Miss Hayter had better remain in igno-  
rance of my wishes respecting her, unless  
it should happen that she desired to explain  
her situation, in which case I  
should wish her to have entered into negotiation  
with her.

I should scarcely have been induced to  
communicate to you wishes which  
will remain fruitless without your appre-  
ciation, & which I do not expect you to  
be altogether calculated to meet with  
it; were I not persuaded that you  
desire like other moral & political  
economists, 'the greatest good of the  
greatest number.' You have only  
therefore to convince yourself that  
on this ground Norfolk Plain is the  
fittest scene of action for Miss Hayter  
& you take from me all pretension  
& I believe I may add all wish ~~on my part~~

to claim her. The only thing then left  
for me to do will be in imitation  
of your good example to request Mrs  
Try a Miss Trayer to send out some  
young women on a similar model.

I ought not to omit to tell you  
in praise to Miss Trayer's good taste &  
grateful heart that she <sup>has said she</sup> desires to  
live in the country & near Mr. Davis.

Believe me my dear Sir with  
very sincere regard ever yours

Jane Franklin