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Description Level: Item
Collection: James Buchanan Family Papers, Part 3 James Buchanan Henry

Description:

Letter from J. B. Henry to Mary Hagner Nicholson reporting that her father says her health is very much improved; at a very pleasant party at Com. Wilkes he noticed that her Uncle Dan flirting with the Misses Scott, and wonders if she or Miss Kennedy, Miss McKim, or Miss [Lieta] will be her aunt; saw a friend from the Lake George days and wishes to go back; has not written or heard from Mr. Scharff, who will be married on Thursday and should be by on Saturday; will miss the wedding he might have to go to Philadelphia and New York to be admitted to the Supreme Court; asks for Miss McKim's address. Envelope with stamp removed, postmark, and seal addressed to Miss Mary H. Nicholson, Annapolis, Maryland. Washington, D.C., Wednesday 19th [1858].

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Date Range: 1858
Creator: Henry, James Buchanan, 1833-1915
People: Hagner, Daniel Randall
Henry, James Buchanan
Kennedy, Miss
Lieta, Miss
McKim, Miss
Henry, Mary Hagner Nicholson
Scharff, Christian Henry
Scott, Miss
Wilkes, Charles

Subjects: Personal correspondence
Letters

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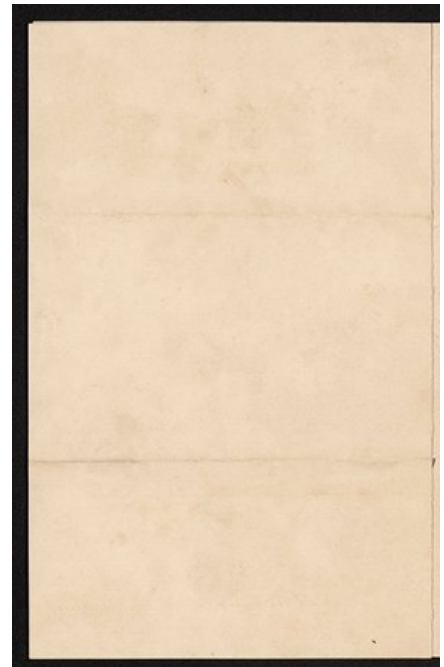
Washington 19th Wednesday
My dearest Mary!
As I was prevented
from writing to you yesterday
I will take to day instead
& have a little morning
chat. I heard from your
father since his return how
much better you are & how
easily your sickness yielded
& the proper remedies, so
that I can now congratulate
you & myself. I hope that

you will soon be
entirely restored to that
great blessing health. What
day do you think you
will go on to Baltimore?
I hope you do not overtax
your strength in going so
soon my dearest?
I was at a very
pleasant party at Com
Wicks on Monday night
think one of the pleasantest
of the season. Your husband
Alan was there & flirting

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He since has very happily
as he desires to be. I
hear of a great many of
our mutual friends that
are going to his wedding
I expect to see him here
by Saturday if he is married
on Thursday - I would give
anything if I could be
with him this. I fear I
cannot - my only hope is
that I might have to
go on to Philadelphia & then
when admitted to the

Supreme Court - I do
hope it may become a
necessity for me to do so.
You must give me
your exact address at
New Market at Baltimore.
Hoping to have a
good long letter from you
this evening, I remain
my dearest Mary -
Your affectionate
1834



like anything with Miss
 Scott - who seems to be a
 very nice girl - I think
 she is quite willing to meet
 him half way if he chooses
 to push his fortunes in that
 direction. Who will be your
 Aunt Miss Kennedy, Miss
 Leathin or Miss Scott & I
 and almost forgotten Miss
 Scott I am sure, puzzled
 to guess which will
 eventually overcome him by
 her charms - Which shall
 you?

We are having most
 enchanting weather for
 the first week - as pleasant
 as almost as Autumn -
 & as I saw an old lady
 George's friend yesterday I
 had a talk on our
 pleasant hours there &
 made me almost make my
 self there once more.
 I have not written to
 or heard from Mr Schuff
 for a couple of weeks & I
 must write soon or he will
 think me a breathless &
 justly - to mention a week

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Description:

Letter from J. B. Henry to Mary Hagner Nicholson begging for longer letters to sustain him; hopes to visit Baltimore with Mr. Scharff, his wedding looming near; Miss Bright will be married in a small ceremony with 150 guests; teasing her by asking if she is flirting with Mr. Randolph and he will send Mr. Magraw to spy upon her; did not go to Com. Wilkes "tea fight"; mentions Miss Emily, the Ingrahams, and the parties of Mrs. Grims and Lady Napier; will get her a ticket to the Great Ball if she wishes; solicits her mother's news in the next letter. Envelope with stamp and postmark addressed to Miss Mary H. Nicholson, Care of John L. McKim, Esq. Baltimore. Washington, D.C.

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Date Range: 1859/01/25

Creator: Henry, James Buchanan, 1833-1915

People: Riggs, Mary Turpin Bright
Grim, Mrs.
Henry, James Buchanan
Magraw, Robert M.
Napier, Anne Jane Charlotte Lockwood, Lady
Henry, Mary Hagner Nicholson
Randolph, Mr.
Scharff, Christian Henry
Wilkes, Charles
McKim, John

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Washington 25th Jan 57
My Darling,
I could not write to you yesterday tho' I wanted to say much - as you must excuse me - besides perhaps your little letter of 2 pages was not much substance to live upon for nearly a week - you know my appetite is keen & you can easily imagine that I am very hungry, very nearly famished and

Small an allowance as you procured me in your last letter - so pray be more abundant in your "largesses" to morrow & give me enough to exist upon comfortably for the ensuing week. I suppose you are having such a nice time with your charming friends at Baltimore that you would almost forget your Washington friends! Did they not keep you in mind of them by their kind regards - write for

It is outside - this is of
course "inter omnia" - she told
me as we are my old &
good friends.

Have you been plotting
with your friend Ransdorph
I must get my friend Hopper
on the track to find out
you know his skill as
look out - I remember the
reciprocal privileges you
are bound to receive for me
- do you recollect?

There was a small
party last night at

at Com. Wilkes' - there was a
sort of tea fight & I did
not go - I called upon
Mrs. Wilkes yesterday evening
but she was getting ready
for the Wilkes & I did not
see her - she is to go out
in three days on some Capt
Ingram's - so do not be
surprised when that she
is at all the parties - I
go tonight down at Mr
Ginn's & on Thursday & Lady
Higgins' farewell - By the
by would you & your good
friends the Misses the Misses

Come down to the great Ball
to be given by the "high-falootins"
here to bid adieu to Miss
February - if I have undelivered
sent to you? It will be by
all odds the affair of the
Season - Please tell me
about this either by letter or
when I see you.

You must always give
me your good wishes news
when you hear from her &
send my love when you
write.

But I must say
good bye - I will say so

in party - please to
write me a line or two
tomorrow & oblige

Yours affectionately
Henry

Miss Mary Wagner Schuler
for her & her

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example or contrary your
 long 6 & 8 page letters every
 day nearly in the week &
 such their striking attentions
 but pray do not let the
 follies & vanities of the world
 in the gay metropolies of Balto
 or about you mind as to
 exclude older or more homely
 claims - Providence permitting
 I shall go on to Balto on
 Saturday afternoon & I think
 my friend Schuff will so far
 modify his plans as to stop
 at Berwyn with me until
 Monday morning - when would

you like to call upon them
 lets me w your letter - they will
 be both very anxious to see you
 I assure you. If you think
 of it you must think their
 health on Thursday at 12 o'clock
 that is the hour. I have promised
 to do it. What a happy man
 he ought to be - so near the
 goal of his happiness here
 on earth!

Are you aware that our
 friend Miss Bright is to be
 married on the 24th of February
 the wedding will be small
 - about 150 - & will thin
 soon return to New York

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