

No 12 care of Place

Washington May

Dear Mrs M Mancy

I have bin very anxious to know how you got home and how you are now I have felt your Fairs quite here when I think of you having to ride over that Ruff Road Dear friend I hope you got home safe and found the Dr and family well. I have a lady and gentleman boarding with me that know the Dr M Mancy she is from Hagerstown a very fine family his husband man is baker and he is a cousin to Elliot Lanner in Lancaster the old Batch - I am suffering with the heat it is very hot here today and I am so tired of boarding house keeping when ever the hot weather gets here I am not as strong as I was was and am less able to work and I

feel it Every day and see the folly of
working so hard but it seems that
I cannot get rid of it I think of
our Dear friend Mrs. Corbridge
almost Every day since his death
I cannot Realize his death it seems
to me that she must come back It
will seem very strange to me to go
there and not see you nor his
Thair with the children It looks awful
when we think of it I hope the young
ladies will keep good health and be
a comfort to their father—

I see Mr. Whitwell lately ^{quite near}
to me and was talking of coming to
beard the lady she lately with told me
but she got some one to come and
keep his boarders to gether while
she went north during the summer
and I am trying to do the same—
Please write me soon and lett me
know how you are yours.
Friend Lydia Smith