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Dear Mary

I now endeavour to answer your
long neglected though not forgotten letter
I can assure you I was not only pleased to receive your
letter and hear sweetly from you but also to hear from
the people of M. when I received your letter I thought
certainly I would answer it before this time, but it was
not for want of thought, I commenced several
letters and never would I write more than a line
or so before something would attract my attention
or some one would call and I leave, thinking in a
few minutes to return and finish it, but thus
the time has slipped till this Sunday afternoon and
if nothing happens I am in hopes ^{soon} to finish my letter
but Oh! I am called some one is in and must bid
you good by till I return. Dear Mr. Company, as you
are and fortunate for me the call was short.
I now can return to my letter but perhaps
you would like to know who this call was from, it
was from the gentleman that is said to make frequ-
ent visits at Northampton and Columbus (Mr. H)

as I was writing to you I was particular to ask his health which he said was good with the exception of a cut finger which he hoped would soon be well for he wants soon to go to Calcutta.

I suppose when Mr. Morrison was down he gave you all the important news that was going on here, therefore I shall not mention only what happened during his absence, we had a very large Society party at the Temperance Hotel, I and Mr. Morrison were present and said they enjoyed it very much, I had almost forgot to mention your other acquaintance (Mr. H) whom he enjoyed himself I shall not say, our only amusement was prommading i.e. and playing on the back soil, so ended the party.

Respecting our society, it is quite large and flourishing all we want at present is snow. I have had the promise of going to Warrington the first good snow that comes, therefore I have no hopes of soon going.

I heard by the way of Mr. Morrison that Lord was married if it be so give her my love and wish her much joy. Write soon if you can make it convenient and let me know all about it, and also the rest of the my acquaintance. My love to you, and respects to all inquiring friends if there be any.

From your Friend

Miss Mary Johnson

June 10