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Saco, Maine Aug 17th 1848

Miss Mary Johnson

I have the pleasure this
morning to acknowledge the reception of the second
thought enclosed, by your signature on the 9th inst,
and it is a pleasure that I did not expect soon to
enjoy, as I had supposed from your silence on
the subject of my letter last summer that it
did not meet your approbation, and that I should
not very soon be favoured by your notice in any
way, when I wrote you I flattered myself that
I should be favoured with a sketch of your
journey, which, as I then assumed you would have
been highly interesting to me, but alas it was
doomed to disappointment, the presumption with
me was that I had assumed greater liberties
than you thought due me and that my letter
had received your contempt, I however indulge
a hope that my conclusions were wrong, and that
it yet may be honoured by a correspondence with
you.

at the time of writing before I anticipated
soon thereafter the pleasure of seeing you as
I purposed, paying a visit to my friends in
Delaware, but being called East very early in
the season did not enjoy that pleasure.

after my return from the East I went to
Columbus and while there thought I should
give myself the pleasure of writing Worthington
and calling on you, but on second thought,
was unwilling to disturb the cause of my decid-
ing thus was that I feared I might receive a
similar objection to that - that I supposed my
letter had received, but in this instance I have
to regret my second thought, you will
discover before this that I take for granted
that my conclusions respecting your silence on
the subject of my letter were wrong, I flatter
myself that I have this assurance from the
arrival of the second thought,

I expect on or
before the 15th of July to visit Columbus
again, and if agreeable should be very happy
to visit Miss Mary Johnson of Worthington,
may however be disappointed as regards the
time of this visit as I shall have to go East
soon and may possibly defer it until my
return, by the opportunity of going East during
one of the very pleasant times I had crossing
the mountains last July, it should be highly
delighted could I have in part the same
company that I had then.

I hope what I
I have taken for granted in the letter may be
true and that it now may be congenial to

Your feelings to favour me with your reply,
Hoping very soon to have the pleasure of
hearing from you and, that the time is not
far distant when I shall have the greater
pleasure of seeing you.

I am very Respectfully
Your friend &
Wm. C. Newman

And my best respects to you,
Yours
Wm. C. Newman