

G. Allen Esq.

By favour of
E. Kendall Esq.

Dear Sir,

Your friend Dr. Webster called on me. I was not at home. I wanted to see him, and assured him, that agreeably to the purport of yr letter, I should be very happy to pay him every attention in my power, with respect to the Museum, I intend from what he said, that he had already a more proper and direct medium of introduction, thro' Mrs. Ellis, the principal Librarian, than any that I could offer him of Practical Librarianship. The Vice-president of Trin. Coll. came while I was conversing with him, and I retired. He has not yet call'd on me again, tho' he probably intends it; and at all events I shall wait on him again to-morrow or next day, and offer him again my humble services, tho' I doubt not, he has introductions to persons, who will answer his purposes, in every respect better than I probably should be able to do.

I beg leave to enclose the 3 notes, agreeably to your request. I must at the same ^{time} beg leave to add, (what I should have said) that I feel some delicacy, and indeed difficulty on the subject. The communication of private letters, beyond the hands to which they are expressly directed, would not be agreeable to some of the writers, and, indeed, were it known, that they were circulated, it might very much offend them. Be it to tell you a frank truth, for the few letters, that I have somewhere preserved I have a suspicion, as I can put my hands on them, and can find time to proceed in a plan, which I have in contemplation, and which I have actually begun.

and for that reason I could not part with such letters. Mr. D. only is in possession of my wishes and intentions on the subject alluded to.

Mr. Randall is kind enough to convey this; from whom I am happy to learn that you and Mrs. Ashton are tolerably well, that you are at least better than you was, and I am willing to infer, that my good friend, your agreeable partner, has got rid of his vile sick headache - I beg my kind regards and respects to

her. I need not say any thing to you about Mr. ~~James~~ Major (or Mr. J. - The latter you know as a trustee in Chancery (now retired) and as one of the greatest wits of the age.

I beg just you to present my respects to your father and mother when you see them. Mr. Dyer unites with me in kind regards, and but comply to yourself and Mrs. A. tho' walk down to her. We shall probably, as the fine weather gets up take a trip to Cambridge, where my usual business may detain me 2 or 3 days. In that case, we shall certainly pay our respects to you. We are engaged to spend a day or two at Mr. Hammon's, God bless you both. Pray take care of your health. Believe me,

Dear Sir,
Yours friend

Feb: 28. 1825.

R. S. My right ^{and} faithful servt
my scrawl I find on 14. Dyer
overlooking the notes, I was obliged to
tear off the contents. And the signatures
are all you want. Farewell.